

The Topsham School

Newsletter 15



A love of learning and commitment to the success of every child at the heart of all we do.
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Friday 5th January 2024



We would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year and we are looking forward to all the exciting opportunities the new term will bring.

Lost Property

We have a lot of lost property from the end of last term. All items will be displayed at the front of school after school to today. Please come and check if any of these belong to your child. Any unclaimed items will be passed on to the PTA.



Booking school meals

Please can we remind all parents that school dinners must be booked in advance and the cut-off point for booking a meal is 8.15am on the day.

Applying for a Reception (Big Acorns) place for September 2024

Was your child born between
**1st September 2019 and
31st August 2020?**

How to Apply for a Primary School Place in Devon

You can apply online at
www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline
from 15th November 2023 to the 15th January 2024

If you cannot access the school
admissions website you can get
more information by calling our
Education Helpline on
0345 155 1019
or email: admissions@devon.gov.uk



Even if you have already given
details to a primary school, you
must apply for a place through the
Admissions Team. This is the only
way to apply; other forms or lists
held by schools will not count.

Devon
County Council

SAFEGUARDING

Safeguarding Leads and Contact Information

Miss Maria White: Designated Safeguarding Lead and Headteacher.

For any urgent safeguarding matters please email:

safeguarding@topsham.devon.sch.uk. Please do not use this email for any other matters apart from safeguarding.



Our Deputy Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Amanda Lacey, Headteacher.

Safeguarding our children will always be a priority for everyone in the school. All staff are trained in how to keep children safe and alongside this we have our safeguarding team.

Anyone of our staff can be contacted in relation to Safeguarding.

Level 3 trained staff are qualified to the same level as the Safeguarding Leads. In our school this includes our Admin Team and Miss Greygoose. Again, their details are on our website.

Safeguarding is EVERYONE'S business and we will always do our very best to keep our children safe.

If **any** parent has a safeguarding concern or query about ANY child within our community, please email for advice.

IF ANY ADULT FEELS A CHILD OR ADULT MAY BE IN IMMEDIATE DANGER YOU MUST CALL MASH (Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub) OR 999

*"If you are worried about a child or young person in Devon and want to speak to someone, or if you are a child or young person worried about your own safety, please contact the MASH on **0345 155 1071** or email mashsecure@devon.gov.uk and give as much information as you can.*

PTA NEWS

Happy New Year! And as we are all settling back into the routine of school, we start with...

TODAY: Bake Sale – Year 4

Today is Bake Sale Day, run by the Year 4 team. There will be lots of lovely treats in the usual spot from 3.30pm. You can pay with cash or card (£2 minimum spend). And bring a tin/Tupperware to share those treats at home.

Your School Lottery

This lottery has been set up specifically to raise money and make a difference for our children!

[Support The Topsham School when you play Your School Lottery - Your School Lottery](#)



**SUPPORT
OUR SCHOOL
PLAY OUR LOTTERY**

- Tickets cost just £1 a week
- The easy way to help us raise funds
- Local cash prizes every week

THE TOPSHAM SCHOOL
YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

The poster features a central illustration of a woman in a red top and purple pants pointing at a blackboard with code symbols (</> and a menu icon) and a line graph. To her right, a woman in a purple top is looking at a smartphone. The background is light purple with various icons: a rocket, a bar chart, a heart, and a gift box. The bottom of the poster has a dark purple wavy border.

Next PTA meeting

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, 30th January, 7.30pm online (via Zoom).



Date	Event
Friday 5 th January	Year 4 Bake Sale
Friday 12 th January	PTA Pre-loved Uniform Sale
Monday 15 th January	Deadline for applying for a Reception (Big Acorns) place for September 2024
Friday 26 th January	Year 3 Bake Sale
Tuesday 30 th January	PTA Meeting via Zoom
Tuesday 6 th February	Vision Screening for children in Big Acorns
Friday 9 th February	Break up for half-term (3.30pm finish)
Monday 19 th February	Non-Pupil Day
Tuesday 20 th February	Children return to school after half-term
Thursday 28 th March	Break up for Easter Holiday (school finishes at 2.30pm and Twiglets finishes at 4.30pm)
Monday 15 th April	Return to school after Easter Holidays
Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday – School Closed
Friday 24 th May	Break up for half-term (3.30pm finish)
Monday 3 rd June	Non-Pupil Day
Tuesday 4 th June	Children return to school after half-term
Wednesday 24 th July	Break up for Summer Holiday (school finishes at 2.30pm and Twiglets finishes at 4.30pm)