



North Molton Primary School

'Love learning, learn well'

Friday 14th November 2025

Message from the Headteacher



Dear Parent/carers

This half term we have been learning about celebrations and significant events through our whole school assemblies. We have learned about the meaning and history behind events such as Harvest, Bonfire Night and Remembrance. We now begin to look ahead to Christmas and a huge number of celebratory events and traditions that make this time of year so special. Please read the information below and complete the microsoft form (via the link below) if you are going to partake in the parade.

Christmas Lantern Parade - South Molton - Friday 5th December at 5.15pm

This year we are offering children and families the chance to take part in South Molton Lantern Parade at 5.15 pm on Friday 5th December.

We will be making lanterns in school before the event and those child and parents that are able to attend will parade through town as part of the Christmas event.

Next steps: The theme for the event is "Our world" but we are choosing to create bright blue lanterns in memory of our wonderful pupil, Olly Spencer-Mollington.

If you would like your child to attend the event, each family of children must have one adult to walk with them. School staff will be at the front and back of our parade group. We will meet at 5.15pm at South Molton Methodist Church, North Street and the event should finish by around 6.30. Many other events will be on throughout the evening in South Molton, with reindeer and music in the pannier market.

I need to know how many children will be attending this event in advance. Please complete the microsoft form on the link below by **Thursday 20th November** so we can safely plan for this event. Further details will then be shared with those who are attending.

Microsoft Form - [South Molton Lantern Parade - 5.15pm Friday 5th December](#)

Tea With Mr P

The following children were noticed displaying our school values this week:

Robins: Fearne

Owls & Kestrels: Joshua G

Falcons:

Sparrowhawks: Charley A

Mr Pennington's choice: Lacey B

Mr Pennington
(Acting Headteacher)



School News

North Molton Young Farmers

Over the last year North Molton Young Farmers Club have been busy fundraising and North Molton Primary School were one of the chosen beneficiaries. At the start of the year Mrs Gear went along to their meetings to hear about the plans they had and what they would like us to use the money for, and she went back on Sunday 2nd November to receive a very generous cheque for £500!!! They also raised money for North Devon Hospice and The Exmoor Search and Rescue.

A big thank you to the YFC club and all their efforts for such a wonderful donation to our school and your amazing charity fund raising efforts. Good luck for the next years fund raising.

Remembrance Day

The children learnt about Remembrance Day and the significance of Poppies as part of this, and the whole school observed a 2 minute silence together on Tuesday morning.

Some of our pupils took part in the Remembrance Parade on Sunday in South Molton—
Well done Edward S, Wilf F and Ava T-R





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School Clubs

Below is a summary of clubs for next week. All clubs must be booked in advance.

| Day | Morning | Afterschool |
|-------------------------|--------------------|---|
| Monday 17th November | Breakfast Club 8am | Roma—Yrs 3-6. Booking link below |
| Tuesday 18th November | Breakfast Club 8am | CookStars with Olivia |
| Wednesday 19th November | Breakfast Club 8am | |
| Thursday 20th November | Breakfast Club 8am | Roma—Yrs 1-2. Booking link below . Mrs Shaws Gymnastics club |
| Friday 21st November | Breakfast Club 8am | |
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| Monday 24th November | Breakfast Club 8am | Roma—Yrs 3-6. Booking link below Mrs Turney's Arts & Crafts Club |
| Tuesday 25th November | Breakfast Club 8am | CookStars with Olivia |
| Wednesday 26th November | Breakfast Club 8am | |
| Thursday 27th November | Breakfast Club 8am | Roma—Yrs 3-6. Booking link below. Mrs Shaws Gymnastics club |
| Friday 28th November | Breakfast Club 8am | |

Romar Football Club booking links

Monday: <https://romar-sports.classforkids.io/info/1296>

Thursday: <https://romar-sports.classforkids.io/info/1297>

CookStars: Those who currently attend will have received an email from Olivia regarding next half term. If your child would like to start attending then please contact Olivia directly for more information and booking details. www.cookstars.co.uk 07938 608862



Dates for the Diary

| Autumn 2025 | <i>Any new dates will be added in red</i> |
|--------------------|---|
| 5 December | South Molton Christmas Lantern Parade |
| 9 December | EY + KS1 Christmas Performance 2.15-3.00pm and 5.00—6.00pm |
| 12 December | KS 2 Christmas Experience |
| 18 December | Christmas Dinner Day—wear your Christmas Jumper. Donations in memory of Ollie for his memorial bench |
| 19 December | Carols in the Church (Reception—Year 6) Parents welcome |
| 22 Dec - 2 Jan | Christmas Holidays |
| 5 January | Non Pupil Day |

Christmas Lunch—Thursday 18th December

Traditional Roast Turkey , served with Roast potatoes, pigs in blankets, stuffing, peas, carrots and gravy.

Vegetable Plait, served with Roast potatoes, pigs in blankets, stuffing, peas, carrots and gravy.

Festive Ice-cream pot.

Dietary needs catered for

Please complete the Microsoft form below by 28 November.

[Christmas Lunch - 18 December 2025 – Fill in form](#)



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Dates for the Diary

| Further Dates | <i>Any new dates will be added in red</i> |
|----------------------|---|
| 5 January | Non Pupil Day |
| 9-13 February | Parent Meetings |
| 16-20 February | Half Term Holiday |
| 23 February | Non Pupil Day |
| 5 March | World Book Day |
| 16-20 March | Science Week |
| 16—18 March | Sparrowhawks Residential to Grenville House |
| 27 March | Music Celebration (Hall) |
| 3 - 17 April | Easter Holidays |
| 20 April | Non Pupil Day |
| 30 April—1 May | Falcons Residential to Rock & Rapid |
| 4 May | Bank Holiday |
| 11-14 May | Y6 SATs |
| 19—21 May | Art Exhibition |
| 25 - 29 May | Half Term Holidays |
| 26 June | Sports Day |
| 1-2 July | Y6 Transition Days at SMCC |
| 3 July | Sports Day Reserve Date |
| 3 July | EY Reports to Parents |
| 6-10 July | EY Parent Meetings |
| 9 July | KS2 Performance to Parents 2.00 –3.00pm and 5.30—6.30pm |
| 10 July | Y1-6 Reports to Parents |
| 22 July | Leavers Assembly (2.15pm) and Last Day of Term |
| 23 July | Start of Summer Holidays |



News from the Village and Local Community

Friday Club:

The next Friday Club evening will be tonight Friday 14th November for an evening of Dance Dodge ball and Bingo! This is at the Methodist Hall, 7pm drop off.

For any queries regarding Friday club, please contact Rosemarie Courtney (07944 243866).

N.B. Friday Club have a fb group, 'North Molton Friday Club'. It would be helpful if parents/grandparents of Years 3-6 children, interested in Friday Club, could join for communication purposes.

Little Nippers Baby and Toddler Group:

Becky Rottenbury is running a Baby and Toddler group in the Methodist Hall on a Wednesday morning 9.30-11.30am during term time. This is a free group with tea and coffee alongside activities and toys for the little ones.

Phonebox Library: The village has converted the disused telephone box into a community library. It's a lovely library for the children to visit, take a book and recycle the ones they are finished with.

The village phone box library has a lovely selection of **children's books** as well.