



## NEWSLETTER - Friday 5th December

### Headteacher News

This week is all about our magnificent Foundation children and staff. Collectively, they organised and performed a world-class nativity. The acting, the singing and the joy was out of this world. A big thank you to all our parents and carers who provided such wonderful costumes and thank you for your attendance and support.

Looking forward to seeing you all for our Christmas fair this Saturday .

Have a great weekend.

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### Office News

## Dates for your diary

Who	What	When
Y6 Ticket Holders	Scrooge The Musical	Friday 5th December @ 7pm
Whole School	SA Christmas Fair	Saturday 6th December
Musical Theatre Club	The Little Mermaid Show for parent/carers	Tuesday 9th December @ 4:15pm
Whole School	Christmas Dinner Day & wear a Christmas jumper or festive item to school	Thursday 11th December
Year 5	Swimming Lesson Week	Mon 15th - Fri 19th December
Whole School	Toy/Non-Uniform Day	Friday 19th December
Whole School	Last Day of Term	Friday 19th December
Whole School	First Day Back at School	Monday 5th December

### Information from Mrs Connatty

On 2 Dec 2025 the Government launched their '**NATIONAL CONVERSATION ON SEND**'.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/government-launches-national-conversation-on-send>

There are 'face to face' meetings with Ministers, however the closest regional meeting was in Bristol on the day the information was announced. There are also 5 virtual online conversations which can be accessed (the first was on 3rd Dec).

If you can't make a meeting in person, or virtually, **you CAN STILL HAVE YOUR SAY** (on all things SEND). The following link will take you to an 'overview' of the National SEND REFORM conversation.

[https://consult.education.gov.uk/digital-communication-team/send-reform-national-conversation/?es\\_c=8F3CCAF03C50549877CD75492CBB1A00&es\\_cl=5AE2E774795318382AB95C86588C3595&es\\_id=ph7%0](https://consult.education.gov.uk/digital-communication-team/send-reform-national-conversation/?es_c=8F3CCAF03C50549877CD75492CBB1A00&es_cl=5AE2E774795318382AB95C86588C3595&es_id=ph7%0)

The Schools White Paper will be published in 2026 and will set out the proposed reforms to the SEND system.

The Government want to have an open conversation on points and ideas organisations have raised to help inform how they shape the policy in the White Paper. This is not a formal consultation. A public consultation on some aspects of their SEND plans will be launched alongside publication of the Schools White Paper.

At the bottom of the link is a specific link to the form to complete to have your say (**before 14 January 2026**).

<https://consult.education.gov.uk/digital-communication-team/send-reform-national-conversation/consultation/subpage.2025-11-30.1011451101/>

**Year Group News**

### Year 3

This week in Year 3 we have been looking at Yom Kippur in our RE lessons. This is the Jewish New Year celebration that takes place each year. We have discussed how a big part of this festival is finding forgiveness and being forgiven. We have learnt about how Jewish people take part in a ceremony called Tashlich. During this ceremony, people write down what they want to be forgiven for on a boat, and they allow it to then sail away. We held our own Tashlich ceremony. The children built their own boats for this, and they wrote down what they'd like to be forgiven for. The children have done a wonderful job!



### School Association

It's our Christmas Fair tomorrow and we can't wait to welcome you! We have loads going on so please pop in, play some games, grab some lunch, visit Santa and, most importantly, support the school!

See you there!



# Compton Christmas Fair



Saturday 6th December  
11am - 2pm



Join us for hot food and treats, Storytime with Santa in our Grotto, win prizes in our games room and shop at our stalls!

We have so much to keep the whole family entertained, including live music from our children.



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Adults  
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Children free!

Community News



# FAMILY CRAFTERNOON WORKSHOPS



*Saturday 13th Dec*

Cardboard Christmas 'Gingerbread' Village

2pm - 3.30pm (£15 - 1 child & 1 adult)

*Monday 22nd Dec*




Christmas paperchain making

2pm - 3.30pm (£20 - 1 child & 1 adult)



**Book  
Now!**

*Includes*

-  Tuition
-  Resources
-  Tea & coffee



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**SCAN  
ME!**



# SCHOOL ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS

2027/2028

Take part in the consultation on  
school admission arrangements  
for 2027 entry.

**Consultation starts  
1 December 2025 and  
ends 11 January 2026.**



Visit [www.plymouth.gov.uk/admissionconsultation](http://www.plymouth.gov.uk/admissionconsultation)

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