



# LANDKEY COMMUNITY PRIMARY ACADEMY

STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE - CARING FOR ALL

Newsletter

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024

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## Latest News

### News from this week & Happy Christmas!

Dear Parents / Carers



What a wonderful end to a really busy fun-filled term! Today we have celebrated the end of term with a disco, Christmas dinner and movie afternoon in class. Each year group has been part of a Christmas production this week. Nursery and reception started us off on Monday with their wonderful performance-they all did so well!

On Tuesday and Wednesday we delighted in 'A Magical Christmas Journey' from Years 1 and 2. On Thursday, Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 had a magnificent Christmas Carol concert outside. It has been lovely to see the children performing and entertaining so many parents, grandparents and friends this week!

The children have all had a busy term filled with exciting learning opportunities, trips and sporting opportunities. We know the children will all be tired and we hope the Christmas break offers a chance for fun and rest allowing everyone to come back in January refreshed, well done to all of the children this term! Thank you for your ongoing support parents. We will see everyone on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January!

Happy Christmas to you all  
Mrs Gratton

# Latest News

## Larry the Landkey Hedgehog!

On Wednesday we had an unexpected visit from Larry the Landkey Hedgehog! Larry only weighed 239g, so he was very small. He is now being cared for by the lovely Barney Hogs, who came and to collect him and will provide him with all he needs. Click on the following link to see more about Larry and Barney Hogs



## Christmas Photos

Nursery and Reception Christmas photos have been sent via Tapestry.

# Year 1 & 2





# Carol Singers



**Year 3**



**Year 4**



**Year 5**



**Year 6**

# Latest News

## Staffing updates

Sophie Brookes has been supporting on a Wednesday in school for the Autumn term as part of the maternity leave cover for Sophie Austen. We are very grateful for the work she has done in our forest school with reception and individuals across school. Next term Georgie Gratton will be teaching Reception children on a Wednesday morning/ afternoon and continuing in the forest school area (please continue to bring in your wellies and puddle suits!).

Sophie Austen is returning from her maternity leave in January to her role as Deputy Headteacher. A huge thank you to Charlotte Hewitt who has been covering as Deputy Headteacher. Lauren White joined our teaching assistant team in Year 3 this term. Ollie Long left our Y6 teaching assistant team and Sally Marshall will be joining in January. We know staff changes can be tricky for some children, we will support them in this transition and if you have any queries please don't hesitate to get in touch.

We are also very excited for Lauren Jacobs to be joining as SENDco admin. She will work on a Friday and support Hannah Elliott in her very busy SENDco role.

## PE Days

Please be aware some PE days are changing next term. PE days for the Spring Term will be as detailed in the table below:

| Year Group            | Day(s)            |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Reception – Seahorses | Friday            |
| Year 1 – Oysters      | Monday or Friday  |
| Year 2 – Starfish     | Monday & Thursday |
| Year 3 – Jellyfish    | Tuesday           |
| Year 4 – Turtles      | Wednesday         |
| Year 5 – Octopus      | Monday or Friday  |
| Year 6 - Stingray     | Thursday          |



# Latest News

## Exciting developments for 2025

We have had more lockers delivered which will enable all children from Y1-6 in the school to have their own locker. We will be repurposing the previous key stage 2 cloakroom possibly as an additional library area- watch this space! We have also been able to purchase 15 iPads for the school to support the computing curriculum. These will be being used in the new year.

## Tarka Learning Partnership Newsletter – December 2025

Please find below a link to the recently published Tarka Learning Partnership Newsletter for December 2025. In this issue the focus is on collaboration and includes an update from the Trust's CEO, pupil point of view and a gallery to catch up on things happening across the trust.

[TLP Newsletter - December 2025](#)



## Friends of Landkey School (FOLS)

A BIG thank you from the Friends of Landkey School for all the support given to our recent events, especially the Rudolph Rainbow Raffle. We will look forward to letting everyone know in the new year how much money we have raised.





# Celebration Certificates

**Congratulations to these children who have received certificates this week**

|                           |               |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| Seahorses                 | N/A this week |
| Oysters                   | N/A this week |
| Starfish                  | N/A this week |
| Jellyfish                 | N/A this week |
| Turtles                   | N/A this week |
| Octopus                   | N/A this week |
| Stingrays                 | N/A this week |
| Head Teachers Certificate | N/A this week |

**Happy Christmas!**

# Menu – Commencing Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> Jan

## Spring Term Menu 2025

| Week Two<br>06 Jan, 27 Jan   | Monday           | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday  |
|--|------------------|---|---|---|---|
| <b>Allergen Codes: 1: Gluten &amp; Cereals, 2: Egg, 3: Milk, 4: Soya, 5: Sesame, 6: Peanuts, 7: Mustard, 8: Crustaceans, 9: Celery, 10: Fish, 11: Lupin, 12: Molluscs, 13: Sulphur Dioxide, 14: Sulphites</b><br><b>Gluten free alternatives available daily. Our menu is sesame &amp; nut free.</b> |                  |   |   |   |   |
| Option 1   | <b>Inset Day</b> | Sausage Pasta In Roasted Tomato Sauce (1,2,3)             | Roast Chicken And Stuffing (1)                            | Sweet & Sour Chicken with Rice                            | Battered Fish Fillet (1,3,7,10)                           |
| Option 2   |                  | Roasted Tomato Pasta (1,2)                                | Homity Pie (1,2,3)  | Veggie Enchiladas (1)                                     | Quorn Nuggets (1)   |
| Sides  |                  | Crusty Bread, Seasonal Vegetables Or Salad (1)            | Roast Potato, Seasonal Vegetables, Gravy                  | Rice, Peas, Sweetcorn                                     | Chips Salad & Veggie Sticks                               |
| Option 3   |                  | Jacket Potato With Cheese, Ham, Tuna, Baked Beans (3, 10) | Jacket Potato With Cheese, Ham, Tuna, Baked Beans (3, 10) | Jacket Potato With Cheese, Ham, Tuna, Baked Beans (3, 10) | Jacket Potato With Cheese, Ham, Tuna, Baked Beans (3, 10) |
| Option 4   |                  | Baguette With Ham (1)                                     | Chicken Wrap (1,3)  | Sausage Roll (1,3)  | Pasta Pot (1,2,3)   |
| Dessert (Fruit & Yogurt Available Daily)   |                  | Jelly With Vanilla Ice Cream (3)                          | Fruity Fries With Yogurt Dip (3)                          | Chocolate Mousse (3)                                      | Cooks Choice Cookie (1,2)                                 |

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a free school meal through the Universal Infant Free School Meals Scheme.

Eligible children in Key Stage 2 (Years 3 to 6) are also entitled to Free School Meals.

To find out if your child is eligible for Free School Meals apply through Devon County Council's [Citizens Portal](#). If your application is successful, please send proof of eligibility to the school office (admin@landkey-primary.devon.sch.uk).

School Meals cost £2.50 per meal. Our preferred method of payment is via MCAS (the My Child At School Parent Portal).

**Meals must be paid for in advance or on the day the meal is taken. Please do not allow your child's dinner account to become overdrawn.**

**We may ask you to provide packed lunch for your child whilst overdrawn accounts are cleared.**



# Dates for your diary

## January

|                                    |                                       |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January     | Non-Pupil Day                         |
| Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January    | Back to school                        |
| Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> January | Reception Class – Vision Screening    |
| Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February | FOLS Film Night (more info to follow) |
| Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> January    | Year 5 – Orchestra trip to Exeter     |

## February

|  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February | Half Term                             |
| Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February                           | Non-Pupil day                         |
| Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> February                         | Child Measurement Programme (YR & Y6) |

## March

|                                  |  |
|----------------------------------|--|
| Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March | Year 5 – Trip to We the Curious, Bristol |
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## April

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April                           | Last day of term |
| Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> – Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> April | Easter Holidays  |
| Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April                         | Back to school   |

## SPRING TERM SPORTS CLUBS

**On the next page please find details of the after-school clubs being run by Primary Sports and Education. Bookings are now live.**



# School Clubs



## LANDKEY COMMUNITY PRIMARY ACADEMY KS1 FOOTBALL AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Thursday 9th January  
-  
Thursday 13th February



ONLY £4 PER  
SESSION

ONLY 15 SPACES  
AVAILABLE

3.15PM - 4.15PM



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## LANDKEY COMMUNITY PRIMARY ACADEMY KS2 BASKETBALL AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

MONDAY 13TH JANUARY  
-  
MONDAY 10TH FEBRUARY



ONLY 20 SPACES AVAILABLE



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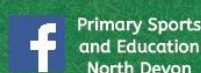
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## LANDKEY COMMUNITY PRIMARY ACADEMY KS2 FOOTBALL AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Wednesday 8th January  
-  
Wednesday 12th February 2025



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## LANDKEY COMMUNITY PRIMARY ACADEMY YEAR 5 AND 6 NETBALL AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

TUESDAY 7TH JANUARY  
-  
TUESDAY 11TH FEBRUARY

ONLY 20 SPACES AVAILABLE



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# Community News

We share adverts on our newsletter which we feel may be of interest to you, these are published in good faith and have no connection to the school.

**FOUNDATION HUBS**

**TASTER SESSION**  
5 DECEMBER 2024  
PARK COMMUNITY SCHOOL  
EX32 9AX  
5:30 - 7 PM

**WEDNESDAYS**  
8 JANUARY - 5 FEBRUARY 2025  
& 5 MARCH - 2 APRIL 2025  
7 PM - 8:30 PM

**NORTH DEVON GIRLS' HUB**

**VENUE**  
Pilton Community College  
Chaddiford Ln  
Barnstaple  
EX31 1RB

Open to all state school girls Years 6 - 10\*

\*Players in the Devon Cricket Performance Pathway are **not** eligible.

**Sign Up**

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