



KS2 Weekly News



Friday 8th May 2026

Dates For Your Diary

May

SATS 11th-14th

Civic award meeting: Weds 20th

Langaller trip to Shallowford Farm

Weds 20th

Whistlewell trip to Shallowford Farm:

Thurs 21st

Half Term: Mon 25th—Fri 29th

June

Year 4 Multiplication check

Phase 2 trip to Dartmoor: Tues 2nd

Ullacombe trip to Shallowford Farm

17th

Homework

Spelling Activity

Handwriting

Fluency

All are set weekly on a Monday, to be completed by the following Monday.

Discovering Dartmoor

Phase 2 and 3

We all learnt that Dartmoor is protected as a National Park, which helps to look after wildlife, habitats and important historical sites. People also use and enjoy Dartmoor by visiting it, which brings money and jobs to the local area. We learnt that traditional farming, like grazing animals, helps keep the moorland landscape as it is. Dartmoor is also an important place for learning, where people can study geography, history and nature.

However, we also learnt that people can damage Dartmoor. Too many visitors can cause erosion, litter and harm to plants, as well as traffic problems in villages. We learnt that overgrazing can damage vegetation and lead to soil erosion. New developments can spoil the natural landscape and disturb wildlife. Careless behaviour, such as lighting fires or letting dogs chase livestock, can also harm animals and habitats.

Phase 3 also learnt that fossils are the remains or traces of living things from a long time ago.

We learnt that fossils help us understand what life on Earth was like in the past. We also learnt that living things change slowly over time (evolution), over many generations.

Some living things have become extinct, meaning they no longer exist. We linked this to Dartmoor and learnt that peat bogs are very wet and low in oxygen, which can stop things from decaying, so some plants and animals can be preserved as fossils.

Trips reminder

Please ensure permission is given for upcoming trips.

AR and Times tables

Don't forget to keep practising your times tables with TTRS or Top Marks Maths at home. Year 4 children have their multiplication check in June so please encourage practice at home. Please also encourage your child to read at home and to reach their AR target. Happy reading!

Any other notes...

TT Rock Stars: <https://play.ttrockstars.com/>

Top Marks Maths has lots of games to practice tables [times tables - Topmarks Search](#)

Accelerated Reader: <https://global-zone61.renaissance-go.com/welcomeportal/2236659> Children can only quiz during school hours, but you can still log in to see how your child is doing with their quizzes.

If you need to get a message to your child's class teacher for that day, please give the message to the member of staff on the gate or email the school using the admin email.

KS2 Timetable for week beginning 11th May 2026

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.40 – 8.55	Reading & Register	Reading & Register	Reading & Register	Reading & Register	Reading & Register
8.55 – 9.20	Fluency	Fluency	Fluency	Fluency	Fluency
9.20 – 9.40	Whole Class Reading or RWInc	Whole Class Reading or RWInc	Whole Class Reading or RWInc	Whole Class Reading or RWInc	Whole Class Reading or RWInc
9.40 – 10.40	English or RWInc	English or RWInc	English or RWInc	English or RWInc	English or RWInc
10.40 – 11	Snack and break time				
11 – 12	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths
12 – 1	Lunch time				
1 – 1.10	Quiet time and register	Quiet time and register	Quiet time and register	Quiet time and register	R.E.
1.10-1.40	P.S.H.E	Music	French	Sketching	
1.40 – 3.00	Computing	Computing	Computing (Phase 2) P.E. (Phase 3)	P.E. (Phase 2) Computing (Phase 3)	Celebration Assembly
3.00 – 3.15	Class Story	KS2 Assembly (2.45)	Class story	Class story	Class story