

**Self-belief, Determination and Courage****23rd September 2019 - Issue 3****Headteacher:** Susannah Storey**Telephone:** 01209 820456

Dear Families

We are looking forward to welcoming you into school this week on Thursday 26th September. Our classrooms and the school hall will be open from 3.00pm. This is a great opportunity to meet the class teacher, see your child's classroom and celebrate new learning in their 'Brilliant Book of Everything'. In the hall, you will find information on how you can support your child at home. We are hoping for dry weather so we can open the school field for you to enjoy time together. The food van was a great success last year so they will be back in the playground serving hot dogs (£2.00), burgers (£3.00) and chips (£1.50) from 3.30 – 5.00pm. Alternatively, feel free to bring your own picnic tea to share on the field. We just ask you to please take your rubbish home with you and remind you that you are responsible for your own children from 3.00pm onwards with our school Golden Rules still in play- showing respect for the school grounds and each other. Thank you.

Please note there will be no after school clubs on this day but FUNZONE will be running.

As part of our INSET training, the whole staff team have received Ruth Miskin Read Write Inc Phonics Training to ensure we are all highly skilled 'Reading Teachers' and can support every child to be a reader. As Michael Morpurgo says, "***Reading is the one ability, that once set in motion, has the ability to feed itself, grow exponentially and provide a basis from which possibilities are limitless.***"

Good readers learn more: the more they know, the easier it is for them to learn. The research proves that children who choose to read a lot at home do well at school. Please support us by developing good reading routines at home and ensuring your children arrive with their reading book and record every day. Given the pull on children's time from TV, ipads and computers we need to be better at storytelling than we've ever been before. Don't beg children to read a story with you – show them that storytime is absolutely the best time of day and a total treat – for both of you!



Every morning from 8.55am – every child has RWI phonics training or reading support in small groups with 'Reading Teachers' across the school. For this reason:

PUNCTUALITY MATTERS

Please be on time to ensure your child does not miss out on their daily entitlement to key reading skills development. We open the school doors from 8.45am – 8.55am to help with the school drop off. The gates will be locked promptly at 8.55am. After that time, if your child enters through the office it will be recorded as a 'late mark' as registers will be closed.

ATTENDANCE

Group	Authorised Absences	Unauthorised Absences	% Attend
Opal	0	0	92.1
Jade	14	0	96.9
Amber	29	1	95.5
Topaz	16	0	96.5
Emerald	28	7	94.1
Sapphire	22	22	92.2
Turquoise	24	2	92.5
Totals	133	32	94.5

Good attendance is vital for learning. The national minimum expectation is set at 96%. Please help us achieve this target. You will receive a letter this week explaining authorised and un-authorised absences along with the process for penalty notices. As you can see, we have a way to go.

Congratulations to JADE class for having the highest attendance this week.

HARVEST CELEBRATIONS

This year we are accepting donations of non-perishable food items for the local food bank and St Petrocs Society for the homeless. We will be attending a short service at the church on Tuesday 8th October. Please feel free to come and join us, with singing from the children. After school at 3pm, we will be serving a 'harvest soup' made by the children.

REMINDERS

- 27th September – Photographer in school - for Individual Photos
- 1st October - Nasal Flu Vaccination online deadline
- 8th October – 11- 11.30 am Harvest Festival at Church.
- **FUNZONE** – Remember to pre-book and pay online in advance to receive a discount.
- **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS – Vox Dance, Football and Capoeira** – these groups will always be dismissed by a member of our school team. Please collect your child from the side of the school hall. Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GOLDEN STARS

Opal class

Asa for following all of our Golden Rules and having a super start to the year.

Jade Class

Violet for being kind and caring to anyone who needs a friend.

Amber Class

Violet for showing determination and resilience to complete her writing.

Topaz Class

Scarlett for excellent participation and following the Golden Rules at all times.

Emerald Class

Imogen for showing exceptional kindness to classmates.

Sapphire Class

Jessie for positively participating in class discussions.

Turquoise Class

Theo for kindness and care shown around school at all times.



Special recognition and congratulations to Caja and Ruby for receiving awards in their recorder lessons.

We are very proud of all our children

Thank you – The St Day and Carharrack Team