

St Day and Carharrack School Newsletter



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Dear Families,

As we approach the end of term, I would like to thank our whole staff team for their incredible hard work and dedication. It has been a long term and a particularly challenging last week that started with Ofsted, a joint KS1 Nativity and finished with the fabulous Christmas Fayre! Staff quite often sacrifice their own family commitments to ensure school events can go ahead. So I am sure you will join me in thanking the whole team. It is a great team at St Day and we will continue to thrive- especially with the support of committed parents, staff and governors who give so freely of their time.

We wish you all a very happy, safe and restful Christmas time with friends and family and look forward to welcoming you all back on Tuesday 8th January 2019!

THE INN-SPECTORS!

Well it was certainly the week for Inspectors of one sort and another! After our Monday Inspector, we had the pleasure of watching our wonderful KS1 children perform 'Inn-spectors' twice in one day- well done everyone! Thank you to parents, staff and our brilliant children!



CHRISTINGLE SERVICE



The whole school enjoyed a great Christingle service despite a wet walk there and back. We were very well looked after by the local Church and enjoyed an interactive re-telling before lighting our Christingles.

SPORTS ROUND-UP

A team of our Year 4,5 and 6 netball players travelled to Redruth School for a netball tournament on Tuesday 11th. It was a first for the team and the tournament was very competitive. Our children played amazingly- showing determination, resilience and great team spirit throughout. Well done to all involved.

In the New Year watch out for news about the postponed Rugby festival, Sports Hall challenge event for KS2, swimming for Year 2 and St Day football club joining us for weekly training!

Ping-Pong is our new craze! We hope to start a new club in January. Thank you to Mr Ayre for teaching us new skills.

Well done and thanks to all involved in a very positive, energetic and enjoyable sporting first term.



OUR SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAYRE



What a tremendous success! Thank you to everyone for supporting us – it was a great turnout and a lovely atmosphere! We raised an amazing £1410.14! This was a great school and parent team effort and we are very grateful to the staff, parents and children for all the work involved in the last few months to make this such a great success. Congratulations to the winners of the raffles prizes – the prizes really were exceptional and we hope you enjoy them!





THE CHOIR

Under the superb direction of Linda Vanstone, the choir are going from strength to strength and performing throughout the community. The whole school benefits from music with Linda and we are very grateful to her for her expertise and all her voluntary support.



3 Snowballs in a row winner:

Khaleen – Jade class

Cake competition winner:

Sophie – Amber Class

Sweets in a jar:

Jaimey – Sapphire class

Guess the name of the teddy:

Shannon – Emerald Class – Cookie

Naomi – Sapphire Class - Zennith

THE SCHOOL COUNCIL have been extremely busy this half term and they have proven themselves to be thoughtful, creative and responsible in their roles. Their views and opinions were instrumental during the Headteacher recruitment process; they devised and posed questions to the candidates and then had to feedback their thoughts to a panel of governors and local authority figures. We were all so proud of how they conducted themselves throughout the process. Secondly, the council have been tasked with helping the local I.C.E. committee with the plans for the park in Carharrack. The children have looked at a selection of design plans and have offered their likes, dislikes, ideas and questions to the panel involved. This will help those involved to make a final decision on the final layout of the park. Well done, School Council, you have represented the views of the children in school brilliantly this half term.

ATTENDANCE

Class	Possible	% Attend
Opal –Rec	100.0	94.7%
Jade – Yr1	100.0	94.8%
Amber- Yr2	100.0	96%
Topaz- Yr3	100.0	91.9%
Emerald- Yr4	100.0	90.9%
Sapphire- Yr5	100.0	94.9%
Turquoise- Yr6	100.0	96.9%
Totals	100.0	94.1%

Good attendance is vital for learning. The national minimum expectation is set at 96%. Please help us achieve this and support your child's learning. A reminder that **the school day starts at 8.55am for everyone.** If your child is arriving later than this time they will receive a 'late mark' which can contribute to 'unauthorised absence' and involvement from the Education Welfare Officer. Breakfast club is open from

8.00am every day. If your child receives Pupil Premium funding, this club is free. Our doors open at 8.45am to enable everyone to be on time and to settle into the school day.

CLUBS 2019

New clubs and a new sign-up sheet will be sent out in January. Many thanks to all the staff who have led a range of clubs each week, providing a range of extra-curricular activities to try.

REMINDERS and DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

CHANGES TO SCHOOL PAYMENTS – for dinners, breakfast club, FUNZONE and trips. We have now set up **PARENT PAY** to make online payments to school easier and time efficient for everyone. Every family has been sent an envelope a unique code to set up payments. Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you need assistance. Your support in using ParentPay will help the school enormously, thank you.

- **Monday 17th December** – 1:30pm– KS2 performances **at the Church Hall** – Please join us for Nine Lessons and Carols performed by KS2. **Due to fire safety regulations, we will not be able to admit people without tickets.**
- **Tuesday 18th December** – **Non-school uniform day + School Christmas Dinner.** Christmas/Favourite Jumper day – wear your own favourite clothes for £1.00 donation to support school projects – decided on by the school council.
- **Community Carol Singing Event** - Clock Tower in St. Day **Friday 21st December.** St Day & Carharrack Silver Band starts playing around the village at 7pm please support them. The School choir will be able to sing alongside the Daylight Choir at 8pm – please turn up with your family for community Carol Singing led by Carharrack and St Day Silver Band. All are welcome.
- **ADVANCE NOTICE:** Please note that on **December 20th the school day finishes at 1.30pm for all children. There will be no clubs or FUNZONE.**
- **The School Calendar issued at the start of the year contains an error:** There is not an INSET day on June 3rd 2019. Children return to school on June 3rd 2019 (due to the **INSET day being on January 7th 2019**). Please update your paper copy.
- **Monday 7th January** –**INSET DAY - SCHOOL IS CLOSED**
- **Tuesday 8th January** – **Children return to School**
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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GOLDEN STARS



Opal class

Lara Leigh Richards for following our golden rules

Lacey Pascoe for following all of our golden rules

Jade Class

Max Burns for following our golden rules and fabulous writing

Amber Class

Kieran Hogan for being a brilliant role model

Topaz Class

Lydia Jenkin for excellent knowledge on different rocks and fossils

Emerald Class

James Young for always being focused and enthusiastic about his learning

Sapphire Class

Erin Wright for showing greater levels of resilience

Turquoise Class

Chloe Liddicoat for being a great role model

We are very proud of all our children

A huge well done to **Alexandra Moule**, who achieved her Grade 1 distinction in Clarinet last week. Alex currently plays in the St Day and Carharrack silver band.

Thank you – The St Day and Carharrack Team