

St Mary's C of E School News

Friday 14th September

Welcome to a new year of learning!

We hope you all had a good summer break although the memory of those long hot days is fading a little.

All the children have settled well into their new classes. We are also very pleased with the joint working across Early Years between Pre School and Reception class that meant all new reception children have quickly got used to their new classroom and teachers.

The children have started their new topics and the topic leaflet from your child's class teacher outlines the term for you. We aim to bring the learning alive with first hand experiences and thank you for your continuing support with these.

Please do not hesitate to pop into school, speak to your child's class teacher if there are any problems however small. As ever we like to address things early and sort things out to ensure your child has the very best primary education.

We look forward to another year of learning and working with parents and carers to achieve the very best for your child.

Stars of the week ending 14th September

Reception	All of the class
Class 1	All of the class
Class 2	Ella
Class 3	Ruby
Class 4	Ben
Class 5	Lilly Ellen
Class 6	Spike & Milo

Golden Tokens week ending 14th September

Reception	Odin
Class 1	Arthur
Class 2	Eva
Class 3	Blake
Class 4	Alfie
Class 5	Lily Ellen
Class 6	Cameron

All of class 5 and class 6 received certificates for successfully taking part in the RNLI Surf Safe Days last week. Well done to all those children.

Also if your child achieves outside of school please bring in any certificates or trophies so your child can share their success.

Dates for Your Diary

Friday 21st September Choir at Peace Fest NCH Truro

Friday 28th September, Monday 1st October and Wednesday 2nd October Scholastic Book Fair

22nd – 26th Oct Half Term

Monday 29th Oct School closed – Parents consultation day more details to follow

Tues 6th Nov Pupil Individual Photographs

Tuesday 18th December Christmas Plays KS1 pm, KS2 evening

21st Dec – 4th Jan Christmas Holiday

18th – 22nd Feb Half Term

8th – 22nd April Easter Holiday

Mon 6th May May Bank Holiday

27th – 31st May Whitsun Holiday

Monday 3rd June INSET DAY – School Closed

Thursday 25th July INSET DAY – School Closed

Friday 26th July Summer Holiday begins

Assembly Value

Our assembly value this term is Generosity which links well with Creation-tide and Harvest

We will be exploring this through bible stories and contemporary stories. Our aim is always to help the children understand how to live out this value in their every day school life. For more information please see our website

We will be trying to catch the children being generous, especially generous with their time in helping one another to build a generous community in our school.

Music Lessons

We have had instrumental music teachers show casing their instruments in assembly. If your child has brought home a letter please book the lesson directly on line at

www.cornwallmusicsericetrust.org

Absence

Please remember to phone the office if your child is ill and not attending school by 9am. We aim to make first day contact with all parents and carers. We have a safeguarding duty to ensure that all absences are coded correctly and that we know the reasons why your child is not in school.

Songs of Praise recording

A big thank you to the children who attended the Songs Of Praise recording last Saturday at Paul Church. The children gained real insight into the lengthy process of recording for television singing each hymn at least four times and also having to dress and act as though it was mid - Winter! Our children were complimented on their excellent behaviour and perseverance. Well done to all the children, thank you to Mrs Hall (and Mr Hall) for attending the event and thank you for your support. The Advent programme will be broadcast on 16th December.

New forms

Over the next few weeks we will be updating our permission forms in line with the new GDPR arrangements. Please complete and return these as soon as possible so we are 100% certain of what you have given permission for. We will also be putting our Privacy Notices on our website.

FOSM

Friends of St Mary's School's first meeting of the term is next week where we will be setting dates for events this half term.

If you would like to be involved please come along or join the FOSMs facebook page to keep up to date with events and messages. We really appreciate FOSMS and the funds raised that benefit all the children at St Mary's.

Surfing

Class 5 and Class 6 got the term off to a flying start with surf days with the RNLI.

"We got to learn loads of different life-saving skills and we all had a really great time".

Helena Class 6

"It was amazing learning how to save lives at sea. I did a dolphin dive!"

Freya Class 5

*"It was **awesome** going on the short surf boards. I went on my knees with no hands! The waves swept me towards the beach."*

James Class 5

Trengwainton's Lantern Walk

Due to its huge popularity, the team at Trengwainton have taken the decision to limit the number of people going to this year's Lantern Walk, **so everyone will need to book a ticket to gain entry.**

Tickets are on sale now and going fast, so to reserve your ticket, go to Trengwainton's website: www.nationaltrust.org.uk/trengwainton or call: 0344 249 1895 (local call rates apply).

Jubilee Pool Exhibition

On Tuesday our Year 5 visited the Exchange Gallery in Penzance to view the Jubilee Pool Heritage Project Exhibition, Then, Now and To Come. The children worked with Amanda Lorens to create a short animation about the history of the pool and looking to the future. The exhibition is on until 22nd September so do pop along and take a look.

Dinner money and payments to school

A polite reminder to say please put dinner money in a NAMED envelope and pay at the start of the week with an indication on the envelope which days your child needs a school dinner. Please ensure all other payments are clearly named as well. Cheques for dinner money to Chartwells. All other payments to the school to St Mary's C of E Primary School .

Thank You

Thank you to all parents and carers for attending the class meetings this week.

Please let us know if there is any further information you need from us about your child's education as we work in partnership with you to achieve the best for your child.