

Please make sure your child does not bring any food **containing nuts** into school. We have 2 children with serious nut allergies! Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

St Mary's C of E School News

Friday 12th January

Welcome to 2018!

The children have all settled back well into school and this term we have many exciting opportunities planned for the children.

Class topics and learning

Pre School and Reception class are learning about castles, dragons, princes and princesses.

Class 1 are learning about Superheroes and have already visited the Fire Station.

Class 2 are learning about Great Britain and kick started their topic with a walk into Penzance looking at the Egyptian House and the prom to inspire their writing.

Class 3's topic is Extreme Earth and Class 4 are learning about Africa. Both classes will be visiting the Eden Project before half term.

Class 5's topic is Mining and the children will work with Geevor mine to find out about this area. We are hoping to do a Geevor take over day with the children as this was successful last year.

Class 6 are learning about Anglo Saxons and Vikings and have designed their own Viking shields.

Each class will be inviting parents and carers in to share the children's success in their learning this term. Look out for information from your child's class teacher on this.

Class Facebook pages

We hope you have found the class Facebook pages useful for up to date information about your child's learning. We have reviewed this with staff and will continue with this. However we are requesting that parents and carers contact their child's class teacher via the teacher's email address rather than Facebook. Please be considerate about the teacher's wellbeing and, unless it is a real emergency, do not contact teachers after 6pm each day.

Thank you for your kind understanding in this matter.

Stars of the week ending 12th January

Reception	Jokubas
Class 1	John
Class 2	Blake
Class 3	Zoe
Class 4	Phoebe
Class 5	Evelyn
Class 6	Ellis

Golden Tokens week ending 12th January

Reception	Jokubas
Class 1	Seren
Class 2	Caleb
Class 3	Goda
Class 4	Delilah
Class 5	Hayden
Class 6	Sophie

Assembly Value Hope

This half term we are looking at the Christian Value of Hope during our assemblies. We will be using stories from the bible and real life that demonstrate Hope in action. We will also be learning about groups in Penzance that bring Hope into people's lives. Please see our website for ideas that you can do with your child to explore this value.

FOSMs News

FOSMs had a fantastic fundraising term with the successful Christmas Shop and Christmas fayre.

Thank you to FOSMs who paid for the whole school to see Paddington 2.

This term FOSMs are planning a Duck Race on Tuesday 27th March and disco on Friday 23rd March.

Next meeting is on Thursday 15th March, all welcome.

Dates for Your Diary (also see website for dates)

Week beginning 5th February – Parents Consultations

Tuesday 6th February – Safer Internet day

Friday 9th February – FOSMs non-uniform day

Monday 12th – Friday 16th February - Half term

Thursday 1st March – World Book day

Monday 5th March – St. Piran's Day Parade

Termly Awards

Each term we have awards for Creativity, Perseverance and Service. The following children were awarded these at the end of the Autumn term.

Creativity Awards

Reception	Eva
Class 1	Morgan
Class 2	Poppy
Class 3	Lilly Eve
Class 4	Jahmail & Alex
Class 5	Milo
Class 6	Sophie

Perseverance Awards

Reception	Niamh
Class 1	Rafa
Class 2	Ruby
Class 3	Marley
Class 4	Lily-Ellen
Class 5	Martha
Class 6	Lewis

Service Awards for Key Stage 2 children

Class 3	Lily-Mae
Class 4	Maia and Nina
Class 5	Julliana, Jago and Faye
Class 6	Chloe and Alec

Children University

Last year all children were given a Children's University Passport. This is a fantastic scheme for encouraging learning outside the classroom, rewarding your child and building aspiration. If your child has been completing this then please return this to school before **Friday 2nd February** so we can total up the hours for your child's award. We are hoping to hold a special Celebration Assembly for this on Thursday 8th February and will be inviting parents and carers to this.

Please remember that all clubs and music lessons can be accredited on your child's Children's University Passport.

If your child has lost their passport we do have some spare ones. Please pop into the office we are asking for a contribution £1 towards the costs of replacement passports.

Music events

We are taking part in the Cornwall Song Fest at the Hall for Cornwall on Monday 26th February and of course, will be celebrating St Piran's Day in Penzance with the St Piran concert and dance. The concert is on Friday 2nd March and the procession and dance on Monday 5th March.