



Newsletter 15th December 2017

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And so this is Christmas...

So the snow passed us by! Never mind, it's a long winter yet!!!

If you, like myself, had the pleasure of watching our Nativities this week, you are surely now feeling ready for Christmas. Both were wonderful performances. As one parent said to me, 'No other school does it like St Minver!' I couldn't agree more. It makes me incredibly proud to see all of our children performing so confidently in front of large audiences. Well done to all of the children. Also a huge thank you to all of the staff involved. As audience members, you never see all of the hard work to get the children to perform as they do. A real team effort! Well done staff. Can I also thank you all for your generosity in the donation buckets. This year the school has decided to donate the majority of the collection to Macmillan Cancer Support. May I also thank the PTA team for their support at this event. The hampers were a great success!!

If that wasn't enough this week, yesterday we also had the small matter of serving Christmas dinner to just under 200 children!! I, for one, wouldn't have a clue where to start, preparing that amount of food and making sure it was ready on time. I have to say a massive thankyou to Dawn and the kitchen team, and all of the volunteers who came into support the staff in this monumental task. Delicious, doesn't do it justice! Thank you all so much.

As this will be the last newsletter before we break up on **Wednesday(2pm)**, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas. Enjoy this special time of year as a family and we will see all of the children back in school for the next round of the academic year on **January 4th!**

Best wishes,

Mr H



Dates

18/12/17—Secret Room

20/12/17 (2pm) — End of Term & Christmas jumper day

4/1/18—1st Day Spring Term

25/1/17—Awful Auntie trip Yr 5

26/1/17—Awful Auntie trip Yr 6

12/2/17—16/2/17—Half Term

26/2/17 & 27/2/17—Wadebridge festival of Music & Speech

30/3/17—13/4/17—Easter Holidays

Week 3 of the menu next week except for Wednesday which will be Pasty day or a Jacket Potato.

Sshhh...Secret Room

Secret Room on Monday—The children's opportunity to buy parents/guardians and siblings a Christmas present.

If your child would like to go for a shop in the Secret room, **please send them in with £1 per present** so they can choose their gifts from the fantastic range of ladies, men's and children's presents.

Again, this is another fundraiser for the PTA who help to :

- send children on class trips
- provide a craft budget to classes at Christmas
- pay for a teaching assistant
- Purchase new reading scheme books
- and much much more !!!

For all those children who go shopping, they will return home on Monday evening with a gift wrapped and ready for you on Christmas Day!





Mathletics!

Mathletes of the week are:

Willow Thompson—4,854

Esme Rigby—3,812

Zak Simmonds—1,325

The top class was Class 2 with 7,107 points. Well done everyone!



Once again, can we ask that you download the eschools app onto your phone/tablet. We have had confirmation from ESchools support that only 63 of our 209 sets of parents/guardians actually have the app.

You will be receiving emails and texts without the app however if you have the app, text messages can be delivered to you FREE OF CHARGE to School and as I'm sure you will know that would be hugely beneficial to our finances.

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In the new year!

Please don't forget that the school day starts at 8.55am, let's get the children here on time to access their classrooms through the playground as the footfall through the reception has significantly increased over the last few weeks.

That being said, if you are late and your children need to come in through the reception area, can we ask that staff escort your child into the classroom as this reduces the disruption to what is happening in the class and also makes the moment of parting significantly easier for the child.

Many thanks for your support in this.

As we head into the final 3 days at school this term, please can we ask that you top up or settle your Parent Pay accounts so that we all start the new year and new term clear and ready to go!

There have been various things to pay for of late, some class trips, swimming and of course dinner money for KS2 children.



A HUGE thank you!
The Movie Night was a great success! We made a staggering £243.71—a superb turnout and everyone seemed to thoroughly enjoy the evening. We hope to run another of these again, so watch this space!

Bring a cushion and wear your PJs in
Admission £2.50
Hot chocolate and popcorn provided
All money raised to go towards new books for KS1.



XMAS JUMPER DAY & NON-UNIFORM WEDS 20th DEC

