



Newsletter 15th September 2017

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Oompa Loompas and Wellies!

It's amazing how quickly we all settle back into the routine of a school week. The children seem very settled in their new classes and the staff are all back working incredibly hard, it's like we've never been away!

What a lovely day we had on Wednesday! So many wonderful costumes which would have made Roald Dahl proud! This is a great occasion where we can celebrate the wonderful, imaginative world that leapt from the mind of the celebrated children's author.

I had the pleasure of attending the first of our Friends of St Minver (PTA) meetings last night. It was great to see so many new faces, who are keen to help organise numerous events throughout the year to raise funds to support our children here in school. Already this term there are a number of exciting events planned, kicking off with 'Wonderful Welcome Welly Walk' next Friday at 5:45pm for a 6pm start. The short walk, from school across The Point to Polzeath, is a wonderful way to meet new families and friends. The cost is just £2/child and includes a warm drink and snack at the end of the walk. Don't forget to make arrangements to get home from Polzeath! It is open to all children throughout the school, however, due the rather watery sunshine we've been experiencing of late, a good pair of wellies may be in order!

Other events planned by the PTA include: 18th October, -Disco, 3rd November—Firework celebration, 17th November—Johnny Cowling evening (adults only), 1st December—Christmas Fayre!



Once again may I kindly ask that you support these events as all money raised is to the benefit of your children!

Week 3 of the Menu next week folksmenu available on the school website if you're unsure what's on offer!

Sadly NITS are about in school once again, largely loitering in hair amongst KS1 children, please please check and treat to avoid a spread!

Dates

21/9/17—Surf Competition (cluster event)

22/9/17—Wonderful Welcome Welly Walk (PTA event)

4/10/17—KS2 X Country (cluster event)

9/10/17—Girls Football Festival (cluster event)

12/10/17 - Harvest Breakfast & PTA AGM 7pm

20/10/17—School Closed—Inset

30/10/17—School Closed Inset

3/11/17—Firework night

17/11/17—Children in need & Johnny Cowling fundraiser

22/11/17—School photos

1/12/17—Christmas Fayre

20/12/17 (2pm) — End of Term

4/1/17—1st Day Spring Term

GLUBS!

You should have received text messages confirming which club(s) your child/children have been allocated. If you are at all unsure, please pop into the office or email liz.hall@stminver.org to check. If you applied for a club but haven't had a text about it, they your child has been placed on a waiting list. We will contact you if a space becomes available. Please remember that there are charges for the following clubs:

Yoga (£30—£3 per session) (via Parent Pay/cash to the office)

Cookery (16—£4 per session) via Parent Pay/cash to the office)

Football for KS1 and KS2 (£30—£3 session) via Parent Pay/cash to the office)

Knit & Stitch (£3 one off for equipment) via Parent Pay/cash to the office)

Golf (£15—£3 per session—Payable at The Point)

Due to staff training the following clubs will not commence until WEDS 27th September—Rugby, KS1 Sports and XCountry.

StoryBox Project—Will commence on Thurs 28th September. Art Club—Won't be going ahead due to poor take up.

Should clubs be cancelled at any point text messages will be sent home and a Facebook post will be logged on the school Facebook page. If you no longer require a place in a club please email liz.hall@stminver.org or call the office.





We are delighted to confirm that the following children were awarded Star of the Week today!

Class R: No starts this week as they are on half days so not in assembly.

Class 1:

Annabelle Fletcher & Merryn Fishlock-Settling down quickly both on the carpet and at tables and working so hard

Koby Brown—Working so hard and producing super work in English, Maths and History!

Honey Hutley—Being so polite and helpful

Class 3:

Livvy Pearson—Hard work and lovely attitude

Beau Cleave—Sharing wonderful geographic knowledge

Class 4:

George O'Donnell-Awesome effort in his work

Imogen Comonte—Having a focused and mature attitude to her work

Class 5:

Amos Mayland—Excellent note taking for his biography on Roald Dahl

Zarnalucia Gwynn—Being so focussed in Maths work

Class 6:

Liam Michael—Supreme effort in class and at home

Stepper Bloomfield—Outstanding portrait artwork

Class 2:

There are currently spaces with Jane Harding our Violin teacher who visits school on a Friday afternoon. If you are interested in your child taking lessons please pop into the office or contact the Cornwall Music Service Trust who co-ordinate all music lessons.

On Wednesday, a great day was had celebrating all that was fantastic about the work of Roald Dahl! Great costumes and great fun!. Such a lovely way to recognise and celebrate such great storytelling!



Thankyou for helping your children to dress up so creatively!



School closures for this academic year are as follows —

20/10/17

30/10/17

08/06/18

23/07/18

24/07/18

Can we please remind everyone about site safety. Sadly one week in and we are seeing people driving too fast, driving whilst on the phone, parking outside the front of school at the busy periods, blocking cars in in the car park, not giving way to pedestrians on the zebra crossing and allowing children, after they've been dismissed from class, to wander the lower playground amongst cars.

We know there are a lot of people using the site and travelling around it in many ways, please be considerate to all! Allow that little bit of extra time, so that you don't cause an accident or endanger anyone else whilst on the school run. We really do want to avoid any further near misses and potentially, a terrible accident!

Can we remind everyone that there are certain expectations for parents, as far as keeping us up to date with contact details, notifying us of absence and illness, following guidelines when your child has been unwell as well as supporting the school, so that every child in our care has a happy fulfilling school life. With this in mind a Pupil-Home-School agreement will coming home next week to all parents for you to agree to and sign. Reception parents have already signed up for this as part of the starting school procedure.

We are a very welcoming school, every member of staff has the best interests of each child at the forefront of all that they do. If there are ever any issues that are school based, please let us know, it will be dealt with professionally and quickly by the relevant people.