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Newsletter
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Attendance Update

For period 6th Jan – 21st Jan

Whole school attendance: 95.5%

Class with best attendance: **Year R = 97.6%**

Class with lowest attendance: **Year 5 = 93.3%**

Happy New Year and Welcome Back!!

Learning has been in full swing since the start of term. The children shared some amazingly creative challenges which were completed by all year groups during the Christmas break. Thank you for sharing in your child's learning at home. Please look out for further learning opportunities on the school website. Your child will be desperate to share their learning with you!

Pupil Premium Funding

Extra funding is available for our school for families who qualify for Pupil Premium. Are you in receipt of any of the following?

- **Child Tax Credit** (provided you're also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- **Income Support**
- **Income-based Jobseekers Allowance**
- **Income-Related Employment and Support Allowance**
- **Guaranteed Element of State pension Credit**
- **Working Tax Credit Run-On** (Paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- **Universal Credit**



We can help your child with this extra funding so please speak to the office as soon as possible if you think you may be eligible to apply. Thank you

Breakfast Club

On Friday 5th February the kitchen staff are undergoing essential training and will not be in school to provide Breakfast Club, Tuck (for Years 3, 4, 5 & 6) or a cooked lunch. If your child would like a school packed lunch (£2.20 for those that pay) please pre-order your packed lunch by **next Friday 29th January**.

Children's Mass

There will be a Children's Mass to celebrate Mothering Sunday on Sunday 6th March at 10.30am in St Mary's Church.

Tea & coffee afterwards - all welcome, so please come along with your children and Mums !!

Topic Liturgy

Tuesday 9th February at 10.30am – Sacraments led by Year 1 – all parents are welcome.



Netball & Football

We have a fantastic Football and Netball team, both of which have several fixtures coming up. Please do come along and support our St Mary's teams - encouragement from the sidelines helps!

Football fixtures:

Fortnightly, Mon 25th Jan, 8th Feb at Bodmin College after school until 4.50pm

Netball:

Fortnightly, Monday 1st Feb at Bodmin College, until 4.50pm (more dates after half term).

Maths Makes Sense

Thank you to all those parents who came along to our Maths Makes Sense meetings this week. This new learning strategy is now in full swing across the school and both children and staff alike are throwing themselves into purposeful maths learning that just makes sense! If you were unable to attend the meeting but would like to know more please arrange a meeting with Mrs Drzymala through the office.

Staffing Update

We welcome Mrs H Causton to our Lunchtime Supervisor team and Miss A Bettison to our Cleaning Team.

Parents' Evening

Please make a note in your diaries - Parents' Evenings are being held in school on

- Tuesday 1st March
- Wednesday 2nd March – Late night
- Thursday 3rd March

More details and times to follow.

World Book Day!

We will be celebrating World Book Day here in school on Wednesday 2nd March. The children are invited to come in to school dressed as their favourite book character, so get reading & find a great book character to be on the 2nd March!

Roseland Residential – Year 3

Year 3 pupils are going to the Roseland Art Centre for a 2 day, overnight residential on 7th & 8th March.

A parents' meeting is being held on Monday 25th January at 3.30pm when further details will be given.

Friends of School – (FOS)

Bingo

Are holding a Family Bingo evening - Friday 22nd January. Doors open 5.30pm, eyes down 6.30pm.

Disco

Has been changed to Thursday 11th February

Infants: Nurs, Rec, Years 1 & 2 - 5.45 - 6.45pm

Juniors: Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 - 7.00 - 8.00pm

Dates for your diary:

Last day of half term: Friday 12th February 2016

Half Term: Monday 15th to Friday 19th February

Last day of Spring Term: Thurs 24th March

Summer Term: Monday 11th April

Mass Dates: In School at **2.40pm** – all welcome!

Weds 10th February – Year 4, Ash Wednesday

Weds 2nd March – Year 2, Lent

Weds 16th March – Penitential

Sun 6th March – Children's Mass in **Church** for Mothering Sunday

Year 6 Maths

Year 6 pupils are invited to stay after school every Monday for our Maths Facts sessions – Hope to see you there! Mrs D

Special Headteacher's Mention awarded to Emily Dymond for such fantastic partner teaching in Maths Makes Sense - we have a future teacher in our midst!