



**FEDERATION NEWS** - Another great week has flown by with hardly a moment to blink. It is great that the KS1 playground has almost been completed and so I look forward to seeing children playing on that very soon. We will have an official opening of it sometime in the near future so look out for that date.



**Vision** – (For a fuller explanation of this please head over to the school website) For over a year the school's Ethos committee, which consists of governors, staff and parents, has been looking at the school's vision (which is currently 'Nurturing the Whole Child'). The Ethos committee felt that, whilst the sentiment of the existing vision is perfect, it didn't quite encapsulate all that they hoped for our children. They felt that the vision wasn't rooted in the local community and didn't address the aspiration that we hope to instill in our children. Additionally, on a national level, the Diocese of Exeter and Church of England have recently altered

their visions for education and expectations for school's visions; the SIAMs (Church School Inspections) inspection regime has also changed and altered its expectations of vision statements. After many, many meetings, investigations and wrangling over wording the Ethos committee has come up with the following which I think excellently encapsulates the needs of our children, what we want to achieve, maintains the sentiment of nurture and is rooted in the local context as it is derived from Sir Francis Drake's prayer. It is also very clearly linked to a key passage from the bible which we feel very much fits our school and its wider community:-

**Dream Achieve Inspire**  
***Together we live life in all its fullness (John 10:10)***

Before we officially launch, we would like to invite your comments, so please do email the office or drop in to let us know what you think. We will also be inviting comments from children in school over the next couple of weeks. Please make sure that you have made any comments by **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March**.

**New Babies** – Congratulations to Mrs Giles who has had a baby girl, Bethany and also to Reverend Steven Martin whose wife gave birth to a baby boy, John. We are sure you will join us in sending warm wishes to both families at this exciting time for them.



**Comic Relief Mufti Day**– Tomorrow all the children will be allowed to wear Mufti for a donation (suggested amount - £1) to Comic Relief. Thank you for supporting this worthwhile cause!

Hazel and George doing gardening for their neighbour, to raise money for Comic Relief. Please send in photos of any of your children who have done similar jobs to raise money for this worthwhile charity.

**Parents' Evenings** – Thank you to all the parents who attended parents' evening this week. It is such a vital part of the way in which school and home can keep in touch over your child's progress. If you did not manage to make an appointment, please contact the school as soon as possible so that you can arrange a mutually convenient time with your child's teacher.

**Choir 'ABBathon' for Comic Relief** – Tomorrow, 15<sup>th</sup> March, the Federation choir will be doing a sponsored 'ABBathon' and sing Abba songs non-stop from 1.45 – 3.30pm in full Abba 70s costumes! We are inviting you all along to support and maybe even join in! The St Rumon's children in the choir will need to be brought up to St Peter's by their parents to participate. Thank you to everyone who can sponsor a member of the choir and support this worthwhile cause.

**Scholastic Book Fair** – a massive THANK YOU! to everyone who came along to our Book Fair which has raised £220 for us to spend on books for the schools.

**Breakfast & After School Clubs** – we would remind parents/carers that 24 hours' notice of cancellation needs to be given for each of these clubs. Any cancellations made outside of this period will incur a charge for the session. Please note, cancellations can only be made by contacting the school office.

**Parking Outside St Rumon's** – we are very concerned at the number of people parking outside school at drop off and pick up times. This affects the **safety of our children** and we do provide parking permits for Abbey and Brook Street car parks between 8.45-9.15 am and 2.45-3.15 pm. Please contact the office if you require a permit. Thank you.

**PTA** - The Easter 'Eggstravaganza' Discos for the pupils will be held TOMORROW - Friday, 15th March; Foundation and Key Stage 1 from 16h30 to 17h30, and Key Stage 2 from 17h45 to 18h45. Join us with your Easter hats or other Easter ideas (no fancy dress, please). Tickets for the May disco for the adults also on sale soon - £8/person, as well as 'bring a bottle' for the prize draw on the night - the bottle can be wine, cold drink, bubbly, etc. Advance ticket sales only, but we will let you know when they'll be available.

The next PTA meeting is on Thursday 28th March at 8pm at the Bedford Hotel

**End of Easter Term Church Service -Tuesday 2nd April – @ 2pm – Please note this is a CHANGE OF USUAL DATE** as the church is unavailable on the last day of term. Children will all need to be picked up from the church at 3.00pm on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April. Children will be picked up on the last day of term (Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April) at their respective schools – 3.00pm at St Rumon's and 3.30pm at St Peter's.

**Science week** – This week is British Science week. If you look on the British Science Week website: <https://www.britishscienceweek.org> there are loads of fun activities that you can do at home. Also, why not have a dinner time discussion about what you think the most important scientific discovery/ invention ever.

## ST PETER'S NEWS



**Cross Country Team** - Well done to the cross country team that travelled to a blustery Okehampton to compete against schools from the Okehampton and Tavistock areas. Year 3/4 girls, 5th place, Year 3/4 boys, 3rd place, Year 5/6 girls, 2nd place and Year 5/6 boys, 5th place. Well done to Lara Dix for winning her race.

**2019 Tavy 13 Primary Challenge** – Thank you to all those children who have entered this community event. We will continue our laps at school this half term to complete the first 12

miles and the final mile will then be completed on SUNDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> March 2019 to qualify for the medal and t-shirt. Letters with final details will be sent out nearer the time

**Children's University** – If your child is interested in participating in the Children's University scheme please request a consent form from the office. Once received, Children's University passports will be issued. Each child can gain bronze, silver and gold certificates in recognition of extra-curricular activities they take part in. For more details- <http://www.childrensuniversity.co.uk> .

## ST RUMON'S



**World Book Day** - The winners of Book on a Plate at St Rumons were Daisy in Plym Class, Luke in Lynher Class, Georgia in Meavy Class and Maya in Tavy Class.

**Cricket Club** – as this club did not take place yesterday, we have arranged for the missed session to be held on Wednesday 3 April.

**Breakfast Club** – As our Breakfast Club is now becoming really busy, can you please ensure you book your child's place in advance online, as we cannot guarantee a space will be available if you turn up on the morning. Please

note that breakfast is served between 7.45 am and 8.15 am. We will not be able to provide breakfast after this time. Thank you.

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**Mobile Phones** – as part of our Safeguarding policy use of mobile phones on school premises is not permitted. Can we please therefore remind all adults of this and ask that you ensure you end any phone conversations before you enter the premises. Thank you.

**Fact of the Week Badge** – The fact of the week next week will be “what can you tell me about 4 sided shapes?” Please discuss this with your children so that they can come in with some interesting facts about this. We look forward to hearing them.

**Lunchtime Awards** – Congratulations to our lunchtime stars this week who are Neave Baker, Briony Pote & Isabelle Jenkins. Well done also to Plym Class who won an extra day's play on the climbing frame.

## LETTERS HOME

- Disco Letter (St Peters)
- St Rumon's – Rearranged date for Newquay Zoo trip 30.4.19

## CHURCH NEWS

**Prayer for St Rumon's and St Peter's:** A group meets once or twice a term to pray for our schools, the children and staff. If you would like to join us, please contact Hannah Waine on [hcwaine@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:hcwaine@yahoo.co.uk)

### Key Dates:-

- Thursday 14 March - Messy Church at Tavistock Methodist Church
- Fri 5 Apr – 2 pm Easter Service @ St Eustachius
- Wed 5 Jun – 9 am Schools' Communion for Pentecost @ St Eustachius
- Tues 23 Jul – 2 pm Y6 Leavers' Service @ St Eustachius

### SPRING TERM: 7 January 2019 – 5 April 2019

**Thursday 14 March** – St Rumon's Parents' Evenings 3.30-6.15pm

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March** – Comic Relief Day

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March** – Easter 'Eggstravaganza' Discos for pupils -Foundation and Key Stage 1 from 16h30 to 17h30, and Key Stage 2 from 17h45 to 18h45. Join us with your Easter hats or other Easter ideas (no fancy dress, please).

**Tue 19<sup>th</sup> March** - Tag Rugby competition, Year 5

**Sun 24<sup>th</sup> March** - Tavy 13 Primary Challenge final mile

**Mon 25<sup>th</sup> March** - West Devon Football competition, Year 5

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March** – Cross Country @Yelverton.

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March** – Show in a Term production 4.30-5.30pm @ St Peters

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March** – Y1 & Y2 Trip to Morwellham Quay

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March** – Show in a Term production 3.45-4.15pm @ St Rumons

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March** – PTA Meeting – 8pm at The Bedford Hotel

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April** – End of Easter Term Church Service @ 2pm

SUMMER TERM 2019

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May** - Town Hall Disco (for the grown-ups, for a change!) £8 a person, as well as 'bring a bottle' for the prize draw on the night - the bottle can be wine, cold drink, bubbly, etc. Advance ticket sales only

**Monday, 24<sup>th</sup> June – Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> June** – Y6 Mountbatten Residential

## COMMUNITY

**Whitchurch Montessori Nursery** - On the 11th April Jan Iles will have notched up 25 years at the nursery!! We would like to invite past families and committee members to join us for tea and cake on Friday 5th April from 1:30-3:00pm. We would also like to buy her a gift to mark this special occasion and are having a collection to which we hope you would like to give. Please pass to a member of staff. THIS WILL BE A SURPRISE SO PLEASE KEEP IT UNDER YOUR HAT!

### **High 5 holiday camps present for Easter 2019 'I'm a High 5 Camper, Get Me Out of Here!'**

Expect child friendly team challenges which will develop self-confidence across an exciting array of multi-sports and outdoor, adventurous activities... plus amazingly interactive themed arts and crafts. Highlights this Easter include: Swimming, Bushtucker Trials, Jungle Nerf Wars & Survival Skills. Stars, Dingo Dollars and Prizes will be up for grabs all week and rest assured, no-one will go hungry as campers will have plenty of critter-based snacks to try alongside their lunches! Mount Kelly site, Ages 5 to 15 years welcome. Booking can be made online via the website: [www.high5sportscamps.co.uk](http://www.high5sportscamps.co.uk). They are Ofsted registered and accept all childcare vouchers. Follow the fun on facebook and for any enquiries contact: 01752 215734 or email: [info@high5sportscamps.co.uk](mailto:info@high5sportscamps.co.uk)

**Violin Lessons** – Mrs Lewis offers violin lessons at St Peter's. £9 per 20min individual lesson, £6.50 per half hour in a group of up to 2-4 children. Violins can be borrowed from school. For more information or to book a lesson please email Mrs Lewis at [heidiclewis@gmail.com](mailto:heidiclewis@gmail.com)



**Saturday 30th March**

Wilderness Worship Presents:

**Chip Kendall and the Praise Ship Orbitron**

A children's event in aid of Trinity Balloons

**Tavistock Methodist Church**, Chapel Street, Tavistock, PL19 8DX

This is an all age family praise party your children will love!  
Chip Kendall and his awesome crew have developed an all-singing, all-dancing, hour-long stage production, tailor made for families.

Children aged 2-5: 1:30pm-3pm with registration from 1pm  
Children aged over 5: 4pm-5:30pm with registration from 3:30pm  
*All children must be supervised, at least one adult per 4 children is required*

**Tickets cost £5 per child**

*Accompanying adults are free but still require an entry ticket*

Tickets are available by emailing [fly@trinityballoons.co.uk](mailto:fly@trinityballoons.co.uk)  
or from Trinity Balloons Crew Members

**All Star Cricket Course** – 10 weeks from 5-6pm.(  
Friday 10 May – Friday 28 Jun) at Tavistock Cricket  
Club. £40/ course. All Stars Cricket provides boys and  
girls from 5-8 years old with 8 weeks of non-stop fun.  
The activity and game based programme is suitable for  
all skill levels, providing your child with the foundations to  
begin a lifelong love of physical activity and cricket, while  
making friends in a safe and enjoyable environment.  
Further details available at :  
<https://allstarscricket.co.uk/tavistock> .