



Autumn Term

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FEDERATION NEWS – What a busy week - look out for our beautiful Christmas display boards that all the staff and children have been working so hard to produce. We look forward to seeing you at Friday's Christmas Fair!

Poppy Appeal – we raised over £200 from both schools so thank you so much for all your kind donations!

Clubs – a reminder that our club sessions, excluding Choir and Cyclo-Cross, will finish this week, with the last one being held on Friday 2nd December. **Choir** - Please note, it has been decided that there will be an extra choir club on Monday 5th December. The last **Cyclo- Cross** will be Wednesday 7th December.

PTA Raffle - a book of tickets will be coming home with each child today. Please can you return ticket stubs and money in a clearly marked envelope for the attention of the PTA, by Friday 9 December, together with any unsold books. Thank you.

Dickensian Evening – Congratulations to our choir who sang so beautifully at both the Christmas Tree Festival opening and at Dickensian Evening and represented our school so well.

Christmas Fair - We hope you are all looking forward to the Fair tomorrow (Friday 2nd December, 4-6pm) and will be able to come along and support the event. Things to look out for:

- A great favourite every year is the Secret Present room (where parents are not allowed, but your child is helped to choose, wrap and label a Christmas present for you). We would still massively appreciate it if you could have a rummage round at home and bring in as many possible gifts as you can.
- We would be grateful for donations of cakes/ biscuits for the Fair. Please could you hand them in on the morning of the Fair (not before, or staff might eat it!) - ideally to St. Rumon's, but if you can't manage this, St. Peter's is fine.

The Fair is always great fun, with Santa's Grotto, refreshments (including mulled wine and mince pies), lots of stalls, games, craft activities, Y5 and 6 peddling goodies, and carols and Christmas songs led by the Federation choir. All the money raised is spent on the children in some way, so we hope it will get you into the festive mood.

Toddler Group – Held on Mondays from 1.45pm – 2.45pm at St Rumon's CE School. All families are welcome and refreshments are available. Please come along for music, singing, crafts and to meet new friends. Please note that the last toddler group this term will be on Monday 5 December.

Key Letters Issued this week

- Choir singing at the Christmas Fair – please be there for 5.20pm
- Invite to Mrs Weatherhead's Tea Party

ST PETER'S NEWS

Greenlands Parking – We have received a request from residents at Greenlands requesting that parents do not obstruct driveways when collecting your children. Please note that additional parking spaces are available in the small car park next to the garage area at the end of Tamar Avenue. Thank you for your co-operation.

PE Kit – Please be reminded that during the winter months, outdoor school PE Kit allows children to wear plain black jogging bottoms / leggings. We would ask that children's PE kits need to be in school every day including footwear suitable for outdoor PE.

Christmas Lunch – Our Christmas lunch will be held on Wednesday 14th December. The festive menu will be Roast Turkey or Vegetarian Roast with all the trimmings followed by a choice of Christmas Pudding and Ice cream; Chocolate Cracknel or Fresh Fruit Salad. Please can **all children** complete and return the slip at the end of the newsletter by **tomorrow** to indicate whether they will be having a school Christmas lunch and if so, their preferred choice of lunch. Thank you

Sportshall Competition – Congratulations to all our team members -Ella Whitford; Emily Tripp; Eva Brown; Hannah Walker; Charlotte Walker; Isabel Hutton; Michael Stewart-Reid; Sammy Symons; Nicolas Maczugowski; Logan Sulsh; Ben Carty; Anthony Soley; Ella Baker; Maisy Clarke; Daisy Baker; Evie Baker; Ruby Dawe; Amy Easterbrook; Harry Moon; Lloyd Hoskin; Tom Waine; Samuel Rice; San Harvey; and Matthew Sleep . We are awaiting confirmation of final results, but they all did really well.

Christmas Party – Tuesday 13th December (Year 5 &6) and Thursday 15 December (Yrs 3 & 4) – Please can children bring their party clothes or a Christmas jumper to school to change into on the day. Please ensure they are wearing sensible shoes.

ST RUMON'S NEWS

Christmas Fair – Please bring any donation of cakes/biscuits for the fair into school on Friday 2 Dec or with you to the fair. Thank you. .

Tea Party to mark Mrs Weatherhead's Retirement – All welcome to join our tea party for Mrs Weatherhead on Thursday 8 December at 2.30pm at St Rumon's. Refreshments will be provided.

Christmas Party – Thus 15 Dec – Please can children bring their party clothes or a Christmas jumper to school to change into on the day. Please ensure they are wearing sensible shoes.

ERIC – Please note, ERIC time will not take place this week and will restart after the Christmas holidays on Friday 6 January. Thank you to all our volunteers who have come in to read with the children this term, your help is greatly appreciated.

Fact of the Week – The sound on Mrs Weatherhead's badge next week will be "ar". Please discuss this with your children so that they can come in with some interesting facts about this number. We look forward to hearing their ideas as they come into school each morning.

Lunchtime Awards – Congratulations to our lunchtime stars this week who were Harrison Dawe, Ella Morris & Evie Hutton. Well done also to Lyd Class who won an extra day's play on the climbing frames and scooters.

Angel prayers - We have set up a Christmas tree by the front entrance with some blank angel cards available (designed especially for us by Mrs. Dawe), and we should love it if you and/or your child would take one home, write a Christmas prayer or Christmas wish on it, then bring it back in and hang it on our tree. Children can then take these home at the end of term to hang on your own tree.

AUTUMN TERM 2016 – Diary Dates

Last Day of Term – Friday 16th December 2016

Friday 2nd December – Christmas Fair 4pm- 6pm

Thursday 8 December - Mrs Weatherhead's Tea Party at 2.30pm at St Rumon's.

Friday 9th December – Foundation Stage Nativity Play – 2pm

Monday 12th December – Foundation Stage Nativity Play – 9.30am

Tuesday 13th December – Yr 5 & 6 – Christmas Party @ St Peter's

Wednesday 14th December – KS1 Nativity - Tavistock Town Hall - 2.30pm and 6pm

Wednesday 14th December– Christmas Lunch @ St Peter's

Thursday 15th December– Christmas Lunch and Party @ St Rumon's

Thursday 15th December– Yr 3 & 4 Christmas Party @ St Peter's

Friday 16th December 2016 – Last Day of Term

25 January 2017 – PTA AGM – 7.30pm

23-24 February 2017: Year 4 Residential - Pixies Holt, Dartmoor Outdoor Adventure Centre.

15-17 March 2017: Year 5 Residential - London.

15-19 May 2017: Year 6 Residential - Wye Valley

COMMUNITY NEWS

Burrator Reservoir - dates volunteering and events for November and December:

Practical Volunteering Days

Mon 5 Dec – 10am-3pm ; Sun 11 Dec – 10.30am—3.30pm ; Fri 16 Dec – 10am-3pm

Family Activities

Sun 18 Dec – 10.30am-12.30pm – Family Wildlife Watch Session – ‘Christmas woodland crafts’. Wear outdoor clothes and footwear, meet at the Discovery Centre, £1 per person. Hot chocolate & biscuits provided.

Tues 20 Dec – 10am-4pm – Family Christmas Holiday Activity Session – Drop in between 10am-4pm – Lots of different winter wildlife themed and practical activities to try. £1 per person.

All Age Events:

Sat 17 Dec – Annual Christmas Tree Walk & cut down your own Christmas Tree. Mulled wine and mince pies included. Limited places. *To book please ring SWLT Lidn Park Office: 01566 771930*

Sun 18 Dec – 10am-4pm – Come and make your own wreath. Drop into the Discovery Centre between 10am and 4pm. Materials provided. £5 per wreath.

Messy Church at St. Eustachius’ Church Tavistock-

Wednesday 7 December: Celebrating the special messiness of Christmas time – it’s Jesus’s birthday!

Saturday 7 January: New Year’s Messy Church: God’s creation – all things eco and green!

Drop in from 3.30pm to 5.30pm in the church. Come along for –Hospitality (hot meal); Crafts, activities and games (lots of messy fun); Friendship (for all the family); Fellowship (short Bible based celebration) All the family welcome (children accompanied by an adult please). There is no charge for Messy Church, but donations are welcome. Contact Sarah on 07929911892 or sarah.pendle0@gmail.com

Dogworthy’s Christmas Cracker – Jacolly Puppet Theatre – a show full of Christmassy fun for 3yrs+ Tickets £5ea (or £4.50ea for groups of 4+)

- St Paul’s Church Hall Yelverton - Wednesday 21st December at 2.30pm

- Tavistock Town Hall – Thursday 22nd December at 2.30pm

Telephone 01726 879500 for booking details

Christmas Lunch Reply Slip (St Peter’s only)

My child.....Class.....

My child will be bringing a packed lunch and will not require a school Christmas lunch

My child would like a School Christmas lunch (£2.20) on Wednesday 14th December.

Please circle your main choice of main course and pudding:-

Main	Roast Turkey	Vegetarian Roast	
Pudding	Christmas Pud & Ice-cream	Chocolate Cracknel	Fresh Fruit Salad

PLEASE ENSURE THESE SLIPS ARE RETURNED BY TOMORROW – FRIDAY 2nd DECEMBER