



Autumn Term

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## FEDERATION NEWS –

What a super and busy week. The children are deeply ensconced in their festive activities. It is great to see the Reception and KS1 children working so hard on their Nativities and other activities related to the Christmas story. KS2 have been bringing in loads of great projects related to their topics which show an excellent approach to learning and tortoise like perseverance. In fact, this term, I have seen some amazing perseverance in learning amongst the children which is paying dividends when the children apply their skills and take on difficult challenges.

Thank you for all your support last Friday at the Christmas Fair! We hope you all had a great time and that it has kick-started everyone feeling festive. We raised over £1200 (not including the raffle) which is amazing! The raffle will be drawn next Wednesday so you still have time to get tickets

As you know, maths is something that I love and we work really hard on in school. Thank you to the parents who have handed in slips about maths sessions for parents. We will arrange some dates after Christmas and share them with you. If you would like to do some family maths puzzles at home, try having a look at this excellent maths Advent Calendar from Nrich. Click this link to access: <https://nrich.maths.org/12902> It is filled with some great maths problems to solve for primary children.

**Clubs** – a reminder that all clubs have now finished.

**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 toddler group has finished this term. It will re-start on Monday 8 January.

## Key Letters Issued this week

- **KS1 Nativity tickets issued on Friday afternoon**

## ST PETER'S NEWS

**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. One of our teams came 2<sup>nd</sup> overall – which is brilliant!

**Christmas Party** – Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> 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

**Tea Party to mark Mrs Weatherhead's Retirement** – All welcome to join our tea party this afternoon for Mrs Weatherhead at 2.30pm at St Rumon's. Refreshments will be provided.

**Thank you** - Kerry Hart (Ivy Day's aunt) came in to make some beautiful Christmas Cards with Foundation Stage children yesterday. They were fantastic – it is wonderful to have family volunteers!

**Lunchtime Awards** – Congratulations to our lunchtime stars this week who were Rosie Mitcheson, Robin Reed & Bethany Carty. Well done also to Plym Class who won an extra day's play on the climbing frames and scooters.



**KS1 Nativity – Wed 14 Dec - walkers needed please** – If you can help us walk the children from school to the town hall and back, at any of the below times, could you please sign up on the board or let your class teacher know. Thank you.

- **9.30am** – St Rumon’s to Town hall (rehearsal);
- **11.45am** – Town hall to St Rumon’s (lunchtime)
- **1.30pm** – St Rumon’s to Town hall (performance)

**Christmas Party – Thursday 15 Dec** – Please can children come to school dressed in their uniform and bring with them their party clothes or a Christmas jumper to change into at school. Please ensure they are wearing sensible shoes.

**Lunches w/c Mon 12 Dec** – please note due to our Christmas lunch on Thursday 15 Dec, the menu for Wednesday will now be:-

- M/ Egg & Bacon Pie
- V/ Macaroni Cheese
- JP/ Coleslaw/Cheese
- PM/ Ham/Cheese Sandwich
- Apple & Cherry Crumble & Custard Fruit & Yoghurt

**Fact of the Week** – The letter on Mrs Weatherhead’s badge next week will be C.

Please discuss this with your children so that they can come in with some interesting facts about this letter. We look forward to hearing their ideas as they come into school each morning.

**Lunches w/c Mon 2 Jan 2017** – please find below the menu choice for our first week back after Christmas (please note school does not return until Tuesday 3 January!)

	Meat	Veg	JP	PM	Dessert
TUE	Chicken Nuggets	Tomato Pasta Bake	Tuna/Cheese	Egg/Cheese Roll	Iced Chocolate Sponge Fruit Yoghurt
WED	Roast Gammon & Pineapple & Gravy	Quorn Mince Lasagne	Beans/Cheese	Chicken/Hummus Wrap	Fruity Flapjack Fruit Yoghurt
THU	Beef & Vegetable Pie	Muffin Pizza	Coleslaw/Cheese	Ham/Cheese Sandwich	Plum Crumble & Custard Fruit Yoghurt
FRI	Oven Baked Fish	Vegetable Fritters	Cheese & Beans	Beef/Cheese Roll	Fruit & Ice Cream Fruit Yoghurt

**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.

### Church News

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2016** – End of Term Church Service – 2pm at St Eustachius. All children need to be picked up at 3pm from the church.

### **Messy Church at St. Eustachius’ Church Tavistock-**

**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](mailto:sarah.pendle0@gmail.com)

## AUTUMN TERM 2016 – Diary Dates

### **Last Day of Term – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2016**

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

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December** – Foundation Stage Nativity Play – 2pm at St Rumon's

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December** – Foundation Stage Nativity Play – 9.30am at St Rumon's

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December** – Yr 5 & 6 – Christmas Party @ St Peter's

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December** – KS1 Nativity - Tavistock Town Hall - 2pm and 6pm

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December**– Christmas Lunch @ St Peter's

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December**– Christmas Lunch and Party @ St Rumon's

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**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

### **SPRING TERM STARTS TUESDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JANUARY 2017**

## COMMUNITY NEWS

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

**Practical Volunteering Days:** 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.

**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 21<sup>st</sup> December at 2.30pm

- Tavistock Town Hall – Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 2.30pm

Telephone 01726 879500 for booking details