



FEDERATION NEWS - Another great week. This week I want to say a huge thanks to all the children in Year 6 and their teachers. SATs week is a stressful time and they have all coped incredibly well. I have had the pleasure of teaching the Year 5 children in the mornings this week and would also like to say thank you to them for working so hard.

Vandalism - Sadly, this morning the staff had to clean up a bottle that had been smashed and left on the playground. Obviously, that poses a risk to the children and is difficult for the staff to ensure that they have found all the pieces of glass. Please could you ask your children not to come onto the school site after school, at weekends or during the holiday as we cannot guarantee their safety. From now on, any child seen on the school site will be asked to leave the premises immediately.

Parent language - As the weather gets nicer it is natural for parents to spend a little time chatting when they have dropped off their children or after pick up. I have had a few parents recently who have approached me to say that they are concerned that some parents are congregating just outside the school gates and are using language that is not suitable for school children to be hearing. Please can I ask that all parents are mindful of how they might appear to young children walking to school and also of the language that they are using.

PTA - Please join us for our next Summer Fair planning PTA meeting, on Tuesday the 22nd of May, at 8pm at the Bedford Hotel.

School Gateway – We are beginning to implement an online payments system. Initially this will be rolled out to After School Club after half term and hopefully to school dinners and trips in the new academic year. This will hopefully help to make communication and payments to the school easier, faster and more effective. You will eventually be able to make payments via credit and debit card, view balances and give online consent for activities. It will become the booking system for After School Club and Breakfast Club. We hope that you will find School Gateway a valuable way to keep up to date.

Schoolgateway

What you need to do now

- **Download the app:** If you have a smartphone, please download School Gateway from your app store (Android and iPhone). The app shows the same information as the website PLUS you can receive messages from the school for FREE – this will also save the school money when we send text messages.

OR

- **Visit the website:** www.schoolgateway.com and click on 'New User'. You'll receive a text message with a PIN number. Use this PIN to login to School Gateway.

Can't activate your account?

If you're having trouble activating your School Gateway account, it may be because school doesn't have your current email and mobile phone number on record. Please call the school and we'll update the details on our system.

PLEASE CAN ALL PARENTS DOWNLOAD THE APP/ SET UP A SCHOOL GATEWAY ACCOUNT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO ENABLE US TO INTRODUCE THE ONLINE PAYMENT / MESSAGING SYSTEMS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THANK YOU.

Sports For Schools – Thank you for the overwhelming support – we have raised over £1200 at St Peters and over £1300 at St Rumon's – a percentage of which will be available for the school to purchase sports equipment with- so thank you very much!

No Dogs – Please do NOT bring any dogs into the school playground or tie them up to the school gates where they can potentially frighten the children. Many thanks.

Toddler Group – Please note our toddler group is held at St Rumon's on Mondays and has a new starting time of 1.30pm and will run until 2.45pm. All families are welcome and refreshments are available. Please come along for music, singing, crafts and to meet new friends.

Nut Allergies – as we have children and staff with nut allergies, could we please remind you that nuts should

not be brought into school by anyone.

CHURCH NEWS

Schools' Communion for Pentecost - St Eustachius Church Wednesday 23 May – 9 am. Please can all pupils be dropped off at 8.50am at the church.

The Vestry Group - This is a group for children that meets during the family service each Sunday at 9.45 in the school newsletter. It is run by a team of 3 and provides craft activities linking to the theme of the main service. Informal and fun. Please come along!

Child Focused Family Services - Please see dates for **additional** child focused family services at St Eustachius. These services will be a Family Worship service and held once a month for the next few months, with refreshments available from 11:15 am and the actual service beginning at 11:30 am in church. **The service will aim to last for no longer than 40 minutes.** The dates are as followed:

- June 10
- July

Messy Church @ St. Eustachius' Church Tavistock

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

Messy Church @ Tavistock Methodist Church Tavistock – 4.30-6.30pm . A fun time for families with crafts, songs, story, prayer and a meal. (Dates: June 14th, July 12th)

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ST PETER'S NEWS

SATS tests – Well done to all our Year 6 children who have been sitting their SATS exams this week. Enjoy the well deserved Picnic on the Pimple tomorrow – please can all parents make sure they have returned their consent forms and ensure their child has a packed lunch arranged.

Lost Property – Please check that you are not missing any items of uniform – our lost property is overflowing! – Any unclaimed at the end of term will be recycled .

Y6 Beam House residential – Meeting for Year 6 parents about the Y6 Residential on Thursday 24th May at 6pm.

Elite Commandos visit – On Friday 25th May, the Elite Commandos will be working with our junior classes, running activities including an assault course, bush craft and team building activities. The children will also have the opportunity to win prizes throughout the day. Please ensure that all the children have their PE kit with them and the appropriate sun cream applied / waterproofs in their bag – depending on the weather forecast!

Rounders – Well done to the Year 5 team who narrowly lost out to Whitchurch in their final game against Whitchurch by only 1 rounder!

Tennis – Three Y3/4 teams took part in a tennis festival on Tuesday and came 3rd overall. Well done!

Money found – During April, an amount of money was found and handed into the school office. If anyone believes this may belong to them- please contact the office with details. Many thanks.

ST RUMON'S NEWS

Breakfast Club – 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.

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.

Wellington boots - We are looking to design our garden area and would be grateful of donations of old boots you no longer need. Thank you.

Fact of the Week Badge – The fact of the week next week will be synonyms for the word hit – i.e if you hit something you bang it. Please discuss this with your children so that they can come in with examples of other synonyms. We look forward to hearing their ideas as they come into school each morning.

Lunchtime stars – Congratulations to our lunchtime stars this week who were James Malthouse, Maddison Creed-Dell and layla Carpenter. Well done also to Plym class who won an extra day's play on the climbing frame and scooter.

LETTERS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

- Music Showcase
- Cricket Festival
- Board Games – re scheduled after half term
- After School Club – Online Booking System update

Spring Term 2018 Dates:

Tuesday 22nd May – Dartmoor Cup Cricket Festival – at Whitchurch Wayfarers

Tuesday 22nd May – PTA Meeting @ 8pm - The Bedford Hotel

Weds 23 May – 9 am: Schools' Communion for Pentecost @ St Eustachius Church

Thursday 24th May – meeting for Y6 Parents – Beam House Residential – 6pm

Friday 25th May – Elite commandos visit St Peters

HALF TERM: 28 May – 1 June

11th-15th June: Y6 Residential to Beam House

Tuesday 19th June – Tavistock College attending St Peters to speak with Y4 & Y5 parents.

Wednesday 20th June – Quad Kids – West Devon Final

Thursday 28 June – Devonport High School Familiarisation Day: 9am-3pm – Y6

Monday 9th & Wednesday 11th July - Tavistock College Taster Days – Y6

Monday 16 July – KS1 Optional Parents Evening – this is not a formal parents evening but a 'drop in' evening for parents to pop in to see the class teacher if they have any concerns - @St Rumons

Tuesday 17 July – KS2 Optional Parents Evening – this is not a formal parents evening but a 'drop in' evening for parents to pop in to see the class teacher if they have any concerns @ St Peters

Tues 24 July– End of Term Leavers Service @ St Eustachius Church– 2 pm

COMMUNITY

Party in the Park – Sunday 20th May – 2-5pm at the Meadows. An event for the whole community to celebrate the Church's birthday! Bouncy castles, carousel rides, live music, craft activities, duck race, stories from the 'Open Book', hot-air balloon display, beat the goalie, stalls, BBQ, ice cream, cream teas, . Come along to join the celebration. More info – Facebook: tavistockpartyinthepark

South West Games – This multi-sport event will be held at Dawlish Leisure Centre on Saturday 7th July 2018. If you would like to be part of Team West Devon – there are trials for the different sports detailed in the table below. Please note that this is not a School run event - if you are interested – you just need to turn up to the trials or contact Stuart Lord at OCRA.

Advance notice-Tavistock U11's Football Club - (Year 6 in September 18) are looking for new players and will be holding an open training session on 12th and 19th June (Time and location to be confirmed).

If your child is the right age and thinking of joining a football club, you are very welcome to bring them along.

More information to follow next week.

SPORT	SCHOOL YEAR	WHEN & WHERE
Cyclo X	4,5 and 6 Girls & Boys	Saturday June 16 th Mary Tavy Recreation Ground- 9.00 am Bring a Bike of any sort
Girls Football	5 & 6	Thursday 24 th May & Thursday 21 st June - OCRA Pavilion @ 18.00 Tavistock area – TBC
Gymnastics	3 & 4 Girls & Boys	Saturday 12 th & 19 th April Okehampton College Gymnasium @16.15-17.15
High 5 Netball	5 & 6 Girls & Boys	Wednesday 16 th & 23 rd May 18.30 .19.30 Okehampton College Playground- OCRA Pavilion
Tennis	3 & 4 Girls and Boys	TBC
Quicksticks Hockey	5 & 6 Boys and Girls	Tuesday June 5 th & 19 th 18.00-19.30 Okehampton All Weather Pitch Tuesday June 12 th & 26 th 18.00-19.30 Mount Kelly All Weather Pitch
Dance	3 – 6 Boys and Girls	Saturday 19 th May ,Parklands Sports Centre Studio @ 14.00 WHATEVER YOUR STYLE -Bring your own choreography 30-45seconds – music to be on an ipod or mp3



ALL WELCOME – COME ALONG or FOR MORE DETAILS

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