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## FEDERATION NEWS

**Here we are at the end of another busy term** - I would like to say a huge thank you to all the children and staff for their great work throughout this term and I am already looking forward to some of the great learning opportunities coming up next term. This week it's been Christmas, Christmas, Christmas with parties, lunches, Nativities, and Carol Services. I would like to say a huge well done to the children in Reception and the children in KS1 who put on wonderful Nativities for their parents. They really were a joy to watch and I hope that, if any parents came in not yet in the Christmas spirit, you left full of the joys of the season. We still have our Carol Service to come at 2:00pm tomorrow afternoon. As always, please could you arrange to pick your child up from St Eustachius Church at 3:00pm.

**Goodbye** - Tomorrow will be time to say goodbye to Mrs Weatherhead. Sue has been at St Rumon's and then Tavistock Church Schools Federation for her entire teaching career and, during that time has progressed from a newly qualified teacher to the Federation Deputy Headteacher. In all that time she has shown the ultimate care, compassion and commitment to our children and many of the adults walking around Tavistock today have passed through her classes. She has always shown a great passion for improving the lives of the children. Her amazing attention to detail, along with her warmth make her a delight to work with and all her colleagues have benefitted from working alongside her as much as the children. We will all miss her and hope that she will enjoy being able to walk around without a letter sound or number pinned to her top! Thanks for all that you have done for the children, staff and parents of Tavistock Church School's Federation.

**Thank you** – Schools are large organisations that are run by a very small number of people and so often rely on volunteer support. I would like to say a huge thank you to all who have volunteered in the school over the last year. People have supported a huge raft of events such as Bookworm, ERIC Time, walking to services, speaking to children about experiences, running workshops and supporting with school trips and sporting events to name but a few. If you have been one of our wonderful volunteers, thank you.

I would like to say a special thanks to our excellent PTA. At the moment our PTA consists of a small number of very dedicated parents who work incredibly hard to organize events for the school in order to raise money. I know that the PTA are always looking for new members or ideas and so please do get in touch if you are able to help. We raised over £1200 before the raffle which is amazing!

**Tidy Tavy** – Well done to Evie Baker, James Baker and Ella Baker who all did their bit for the community.



**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 will re-start on Monday 8 January.

**Christmas activities** – if your children get a little bored during the Christmas break please check out the school Facebook page and school website where I will be posting the occasional activity that they could have a go at. This is just for fun.



### ST PETER'S NEWS

**Athletics Vests** – Our new team sports vests have arrived – seen here modelled by Tom Brown and Ewan Dix.

### ST RUMON'S NEWS

**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 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.**

**Christmas Eve Crib Services –St Eustachius** - There will be 2 services, one at 4pm and one at 6pm on Christmas Eve. There will be a real donkey, sheep and baby at these services. All welcome!

**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. 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, 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**

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2016** – End of Term Church Service – 2pm at St Eustachius

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

**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

**Dogworthy's Christmas Cracker** – Jacolly Puppet Theatre – Tickets £5ea ( or £4.50ea for groups of 4+) at St Paul's Church Hall Yelverton - Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 2.30pm and at Tavistock Town Hall – Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 2.30pm. Telephone 01726 879500 for booking details