



FEDERATION NEWS

Facebook - Our Facebook page is now live. It might take us a little while to get going and we are still waiting on some photo consents to come back into school but I really hope that it can become a good way to create a chronology of some of our great work in school and out of it. In order to find us you will need to search Facebook for TC SF (there is a space) and then request access to the group. I hope that you find it an accessible and informative source of information.

Maths Feedback - Thank you to those parents who have returned slips to indicate what further support you would like with how we teach mathematics. If you have not yet returned it there is still time to do so. Miss Burton and I will put together a session or two soon.

Parents Evenings- Thank you to all parents who attended parents' evening or family learning conferences this week. If you have not managed to make an appointment please do contact your child's teacher to arrange a convenient time. If your child is in Y5/6 we will soon send home a short questionnaire asking your opinion of the altered format so that we can tweak before rolling it out more widely.

Communication - Don't forget that there is an opportunity to share your views on communication in the Please let the office know if you school next week. The dates for the meetings are:

- KS1 – 17th November at 2:15pm (meet in the school hall)
- KS2 – 15th November at 2:45pm (meet in the school hall)

If you are unable to make the meeting please feel free to pop your ideas down in an email or phone call and pass them onto the office (admin@tcsfstcmat.org). if you can make the meeting please could you let the office know so that we know how many people to expect. As a starter I have listed here what we currently do and how we are planning to expand it.

| Type | What we do | What we are planning to do |
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| Web based | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Twitter ➤ Website ➤ Weekly school newsletter | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Facebook – please see below ➤ Improve use of VLEs ➤ System of online payment |
| Paper | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Weekly schools newsletter ➤ Weekly class newsletter ➤ Letters re trips/ visits etc | |
| Face to face | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Meet the teacher session (Sept) ➤ 3 x opportunities for parent teacher conferencing ➤ Weekly family worships ➤ Individually arranged appointments ➤ Termly class worships ➤ End of topic exhibitions of work ➤ Curriculum sessions: i.e. phonics and reading so far this year. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Coffee mornings after class worship ➤ Better communication of end of topic exhibitions. |

Poppy Appeal - We are supporting the Royal British Legion Poppy appeal. Poppies and the various items (wristbands/ flexible rulers etc) will be available from school. At St Rumon's the poppy boxes will be in the foyer and at St Peter's the year 6 children will be in charge of selling the merchandise. Please send your children in with a donation to support this cause.

Remembrance Sunday – Sunday 13 November – If anyone would like their child to help lay the wreath on behalf of the federation at the Town Memorial service, please let the school office know. Children will need to meet Mr Connors at 10.30am by the war memorial and be dressed in school uniform. Many

thanks.

Love in a Box – In keeping with our Christian values, we are encouraging children to pack a small shoe box with small Christmas gifts either on their own or with a friend. These boxes are then taken by the Mustard Seed Relief Mission to Eastern Europe to be distributed to children at Christmas time. Last year we managed to collect **100 boxes** and it would be great to beat that target! We would love to see as many children taking part in this act of love & generosity. Boxes will now need to be returned by **Monday 14th November**

Children in Need – Friday 18th November – Children can wear something spotty in exchange for a suggested donation of a £1 to this worthwhile charity. We look forward to seeing your spotty creations!!

School Christmas Fair- Friday 2nd December from 4-6pm at St Rumons. There will also be a ‘Wear tinsel for a Chocolate Tombola Donation’ on Friday 25th November – Children may decorate their uniform with tinsel. There will be a PTA meeting on 15th November from 7.30pm at St Peter’s to finalise arrangements for the Fair. All parents are welcome and any offers of help gratefully received! We are also requesting presents for the secret santa room (a plea for presents appropriate for dads too please!!)

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.

Tavistock Cooperative Learning Trust AGM - The Trust AGM will be held at 5.30pm on Thursday 24 November 2016 in The Innovation Centre, Tavistock College. All parents, carers and staff are warmly invited to attend.

ST PETER’S NEWS

Drum Lessons – Jack Toy is offering drum lessons at St Peter’s on Tuesdays during the school day. Cost of sessions is £8 for 30 minutes. Please contact Jack Toy directly on 07908940391 if you would like to book in a slot for your child. Thanks.

Netball – Good luck to our netball team who are competing today at Tavistock College.

ST RUMON’S NEWS

Fact of the Week – The sound on Mrs Weatherhead’s badge next week will be “sh”. Please discuss this with your children so that they can come in with some interesting facts about this sound. 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 Amelie McAngus, Jack Beilby & Emily Mitcheson. Well done also to Lynher Class who won an extra day’s play on the climbing frames and scooters.

ERIC - We would like Every Child Reading in Class. If you can spare half an hour every Friday at 2.30pm to come into St Rumon’s school and listen to children read, please let your class teacher know. We would appreciate as many adults as possible to share books with children. Thank you.

Lost Property – Harrison Rowe in Lyd Class has lost a named jumper and Alisha Holmes in Meavy Class has lost a red cardigan and tie. If found, could you please return to the office or class teacher. Thank you.

AUTUMN TERM 2016 – Diary Dates

Last Day of Term – Friday 16th December 2016

Tuesday 15th November - Cyclo X at Tuell Farm, Milton Abbot - 10am start.

Tuesday 15th November – PTA Meeting

Friday 18th November – Children in Need Day

Friday 25th November – Wear tinsel for Chocolate day
Friday 2nd December – Christmas Fair 4pm- 6pm
Friday 9th December – Foundation Stage Nativity Play – 2pm
Monday 12th December – Foundation Stage Nativity Play – 9.30am
Wednesday 14th December – KS1 Nativity - Tavistock Town Hall - 2.30pm and 6pm
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



Patron – Graham Taylor OBE



KitAid is a registered charity which collects and sends no longer wanted football kit (shirts, shorts, boots, goalie gloves and shinpads in good condition) to children and adults who also love football but live in some of the poorest parts of the World.

If you'd like to bring smiles to children who are as passionate about football as you are, it's time to 'tackle' your own boot rooms, bedrooms, lofts and garages and deliver any clean unwanted kit in a plastic bag or bin bag to:

KIT AID COLLECTION
@ TAVISTOCK COMMUNITY FOOTBALL CLUB, CROWDALE
SATURDAY 26TH NOVEMBER - 9.30AM – 2PM
BRING ALONG PRE-LOVED KIT (Shirts & Shorts)
GOOD CONDITION, CLEANED FOOTBALL BOOTS/
TRAINERS (tied in pairs please)

We welcome donations of adult and children's kit.

Thank you for your support!

If you would like to know more about KitAid log on to www.kitaid.net or www.kitaid.blogspot.com
Registered Charity No. 11 0960
 Affinity Water's home grown registered charity

Tavistock Wheelers Go Ride Cyclo cross

• Saturday 22nd November Venue TBA
 Novices are welcome, only requirement is bike in good working order with knobbly tyres and helmet. These races are always friendly and fun and we help those who are "having a go".
 Races for year 3,4, 5 and 6, and a girls only race
 All competitors receive prizes; Prizes for the series of 3 races; Prizes for any parent helpers (entered in a prize draw for cream teas each race):Details *Tavistock Wheelers Youth Cycling Facebook Group*



Christmas Fayre
 Wednesday 23rd November

Crafts Stalls Galore!
 Blue Skies Catering
 Burgers, hot dogs and nachos
 Games and Prizes!
 Raffle!

From 6pm to 8pm in the Main Hall
 Tavistock College
 Mulled Wine and Mince Pies

Tavistock Community Football Club (TCFC)
AuctionNight & Kit Aid –Saturday 26th November -TCFC
 are asking people to donate pre-loved good quality adult and junior football kit (shorts/ shirts) and boots/ trainers to charity in conjunction with Kit Aid – Please bring any donations along to the football club between 9.30-2pm. TCFC will also be hosting an auction in aid of the football club on Saturday night from 7pm – Star lots include Chelsea FC Hospitality tickets for 4.

AUCTION NIGHT



@ THE RED & BLACK CLUB

SATURDAY 26TH NOVEMBER

DOORS OPEN : 7PM

AUCTION STARTS : 7.30PM

Come along for a drink and support TCFC !!

Loads of Great Prizes to bid for...