



FEDERATION NEWS - Another busy week with our Year 6 children going to Junior Life Skills, The Fire Safety talk to Year 5s, Cox Tor's swimming lessons and our range of after school activity clubs have started seeing our children enjoy activities from Dodgeball to Dance to Choir. Our foundation stage children have continued to settle in well and the new term is well underway.

School Harvest Festival Service on Wednesday 27th September – Please can **ALL** children be dropped to St Eustachius Church for 8.50am. All parents are welcome to join us for the service. Thank you .

News from the Governors - So, what's been going on this week? A big thank you to all staff at both schools for an exceptional transition into the new school year. We really hope that all carers and parents know that your children's class teachers are always happy to make time to talk if you have any worries.

Our after school club activities have started this week; tag rugby had to transform into one big "dodgeball fest" this week and our thanks go to District Sports for finding a flexible solution. The school is providing a wide range of activities for both schools and it's a lovely way for children to extend their friendship groups, learn teamwork and take on a new personal challenge; we are very lucky to have teachers who have the passion and drive to provide creative opportunities for our children. We're also pleased that our Federation choir continues to prosper and look forward to seeing them perform at a variety of upcoming events!

Please remember that if your child has an achievement to celebrate from outside of school, Mr. Connors always loves to hear about it and to share that success in assembly, so, don't be shy, please tell your teacher about the things that you and your children are proud of. Good luck to all of our year six children who have chosen to do the 11+ . The final exam is this weekend so relax and do your best!

You and your children may see the Governors around the school during the school day. This is probably a really good time to remind your children that during the school day, all adults in school should have an identity badge and if they don't then our children should tell a member of staff straight away, even if they know the adult well.

If you have any questions about what we do as Governors or anything you want to raise, at least one of our governing body will be present at each of the forthcoming parents' evenings or you can ask the office to put you in touch with us individually. Have a great week.

Parents Evenings – Please note that parents evenings will be held on the following dates. Sign up sheets for appointments will be available from the school offices from **Monday 25th September**.

Monday 2nd October – KS1 Parents Evening – 3.30pm-6.15pm @ St Rumon's

Tuesday 3rd October – KS2 Parents Evening – 4pm-6.45pm @ St Peters

Wednesday 4th October – KS1 Parents Evening – 3.30pm – 6.15pm @ St Rumon's

Thursday 5th October – KS2 Parents Evening – 4pm-6.45pm @ St Peters

School Photos – Family & Individual – all children will have their school photograph taken by Tempest Photography on the dates below. If you would like a family picture with siblings, please go to either school site for 8.30am.

St Peter's – 9 October

St Rumon's – 10 October

PTA Meeting - next meeting on Monday the 18th of September, at 8pm at the Bedford Hotel. First drink on us! All welcome – Please come along and support the school! Dates to note for you diary:

- Harvest Disco - Friday the 13th of October at the St Peter's Hall; Foundation & Key Stage 1 from 16h30 to 17h30; Key Stage 2 from 17:45 to 18:45. More information to follow next week.
- Christmas Fair - Friday the 8th of December at St Rumon's. Please bring in toilet & kitchen roll tubes for the craft stall.

Future PTA meeting dates to diarise - all at 8pm on Tuesdays; 3rd of October at the Bedford Hotel, 7th of

November at St Peter's & 28th of November at the Bedford Hotel.

Highways works – we have been informed by Devon County Council of the following disruption to roads near to the schools which may require you to allow extra time for the journey to school:-

- Forthcoming carriageway resurfacing work upon Vigobridge Road Tavistock. - **Friday 29th September for 1 day** between the hours of 6pm and 7am upon Vigobridge Road.
- Forthcoming carriageway resurfacing work **on Tuesday 3rd October for 2 days** between the hours of 7am and 6pm upon Meavy Way.

Toddler Group – Our first toddler group this term will be held on Monday 18 September from 1.45pm – 2.45pm at St Rumon's CE School. All families are welcome and refreshments are available. Please come for music, singing, crafts and to meet new friends.

Church News:

St Eustachius Harvest Festival – Sunday 1st October – This year we will be celebrating harvest festival by collecting produce for the Tavistock Food Bank. Items that have been requested by the food bank organisers are: Smash instant potato; long life fruit juice; UHT milk; rice pudding; Coffee ;Sugar. Many thanks.

Messy Church at Tavistock Methodist Church (TMC) Thursday 14th Sept, 12th Oct, 9th Nov, Dec 14th 4.30pm-6.30pm. A fun time for families with crafts,songs,story,prayer and a meal.

ST PETER'S NEWS

School Games Mark – Gold Award – We are very excited to announce we have been awarded a Gold Award for our PE provision at the school. We have seen a continually increasing amount of clubs and participation in PE competitions and events over the past few years and are really pleased that this has been recognised!.



Year 6 Secondary School Applications – All Y6 pupils should receive a letter inviting them to apply for their secondary school place and contains details of how to apply. Applications need to be submitted by 31 October 2017

Year 5 & 6 Tavistock College Parents Evening – Sarah Jones, (Principal of Tavistock College) has invited all parents of Year 5 & 6 students to join them for a brief presentation and an informal question and answer session on Tuesday 10 October at 4.30pm at the St Peters School Hall.

ST RUMON'S NEWS

Fact of the Week Badge – The fact of the week next week will be the USA. Please discuss this with your children so that they can come in with some interesting facts about this Country. We look forward to hearing their ideas as they come into school each morning.

Harvest Festival – Weds 27 Sept – children will need to be dropped at church at 8.50 am. If you are able to help walk us back to school from church at approximately 9.45 am please sign up on the sheet in the entrance at St Rumon's, or let your child's class teacher know. Thank you.

Piano Lessons – Our Piano Teacher has vacancies for any Y1 and Y2 children wishing to start lessons from September. If you are interested, please contact Kathy Marks on 01822 854224 or 07818 862971.

Breakfast Club – Please note that last orders for breakfast will be taken at 8.25 pm. Thank you.

Parking at St Rumon's – For safety reasons please do not park on the main road outside of school during school drop off and pick up. We have parking permits available for Abbey and Brook Street Car Park. Please contact the office if you require a permit. Thank you.

Lunchtime Awards – Congratulations to our lunchtime stars this week who were Tamsin Everett, Finley

Ellis & Toby Gascoigne. Well done also to Meavy Class who won an extra day's play on the climbing frames and

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.

NHS Flu Vaccination – Please return consent forms by 22 September 2017.

Autumn Term 2017 Dates:

Thursday 21st September – Y4 & Y5 Open Evening at Tavistock College

Wednesday 27th September - School Harvest Festival Service.

Wednesday 27th September – Y2 Fire Safety talk.

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Tuesday 10th October – Y5 & Y6 Parents Meeting with Tavistock College Leaders - 4.30pm @ St Peters

COMMUNITY NEWS

Tavistock Rugby Club – Sandy Park, Trelawny Road for Boys and Girls rugby from age 5-16. Come along and have a go! TRFC are looking for new players of all ages to play rugby in a safe and friendly environment.

Young Photographers Competition 2017 Overall theme of this year's competition is "Environment". There are 3 competition age groups: 4 to 9 years. 10 to 14 years. 15 to 18 years. There are 4 categories in each age group, they are as follows: 1) Wild and wonderful. 2) Tenderness. 3) Growing things. 4) People at work. Photographs may be submitted until 10 a.m. on the final submission day of Wednesday 4th October 2017. Entries to: Tavyside Health Centre, Abbey Rise, Tavistock. PL19 9FD, together with the entry fees. Envelopes should be addressed to The T.P.A and marked "Photographic Competition". They regret that they are not able to return the photographs entered into the competition but they may be collected after the exhibition by arrangement with the T.P.A.