



FEDERATION NEWS - I can't believe just how quickly this term has gone. It has been lovely to see such hard work from the children and the staff and I think that they all deserve a week off! It was lovely to sit in on Lynher's Class assembly yesterday and I am looking forward to Brentor's tomorrow. If I don't see you before, have a lovely half term and I hope that the weather is good and so we can all get out into the fresh air.

MTA – We have a vacancy for an MTA at St Peters. The role is for approx 1.25 hours/day Monday-Fridays (6.25 hours/week). Interested applicants need to request an application form from the school office and will need to complete DBS check.

Catering assistant – We have a vacancy for a Catering Assistant at St Rumons for 10 hours/ week. Interested applicants need to request an application form from the school office and will need to complete DBS check.

After School Club - Due to high demand could I please ask parents to cancel bookings at least 24 hours prior to the session to enable us to reallocate your space to families on the waiting list. **Places cancelled with less than 24 hours notice will be charged for.**

School Photos– please can all orders be returned to school offices with payment by Friday 20th October.

School Nurse -The school nursing team is available to support parents on issues such as sleeping, eating, toileting, bedwetting, behaviour, hearing and self-esteem. There is always a School Nurse available to speak to between 9 and 5 Monday to Friday on the following number 0333 234 1901 so do ring them if you think they could help you. Additionally they hold a monthly clinic in Tavistock on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. You need to ring and book an appointment at the clinic on the number above.

PTA: Dates to note for you diary:

- **Christmas Fair** – Friday, 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 - 7th of November & 28th of November - please note that these are **now both going to be held at the Bedford Hotel.**

Toddler Group –Held on Mondays from 1.45pm – 2.45pm at St Rumon's School. All families are welcome and refreshments are available. Please come for music, singing, crafts and to meet new friends.

Governors' feedback - Hi, our final governors feedback for this half term.

The school team have crammed in so many interesting activities for our children - we are very fortunate to have staff across both schools who are committed to unlocking diverse opportunities. It's not just teachers and TAs. There are many people behind the scenes providing healthy, nutritious food, looking after children at lunch, cleaning our schools, our office staff and IT support who make sure that the school runs like clockwork.

Of course the excitement will ramp-up when the children return after half term. As a church school our understanding of festivals (of all faiths) is important but we both love Advent in the schools; Rev Chris and Rev Steve's interactive stories with the children are always a highlight and remind us of our Christian values which our children display so naturally. Don't forget - cake sale TODAY at 15.30 to raise money for comfy seating in the library at St Peter's, and why not try some times tables challenges with your children during the break. Have a peaceful half term and we'll see you all in a week.

Church News:

Messy Church at Tavistock Methodist Church (TMC) – Held on the second Thursday of the month from 4.30pm-6.30pm: (upcoming sessions: 9th Nov, and 14th Dec). A fun time for families with crafts, songs, story, prayer and a meal.

Messy Church at St Eustachius Church – Held on the 1st Wednesday of the month in term time, from 3.30pm to 5.30pm (Upcoming sessions: 1st Nov, and 6th Dec). A fun time for families with crafts, songs, story, prayer and a meal.

ST PETER'S NEWS

Football Tournament – Good luck to our Boys A team who qualified to get through to the West Devon Finals held today and also our girls team who have been invited to play in the inter-schools tournament today at the Crowndale football pitches!

Lost Property – Oliver Simpson in Pew Tor has lost a named navy-blue Mountain Warehouse coat with an orange zip after the school disco. Please could you check to see if your child has picked this up by mistake and notify the office if found. Thank you.

Year 6 Secondary School Applications – All Y6 pupils should have received 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**. With the deadline fast approaching (**31st October 2017**), please note you need to apply either by using the online system www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline or by contacting My Devon, the customer service centre on 0345 155 1019 to request an application form. The application form should be returned before the **31st October 2017**.

Last year they had a lot of people miss out on a place at their local school last year, because the families failed to apply before the closing date and we are keen to avoid this. **Late applications will not be offered a place at a school at the expense of an application which was on time! Please make sure that you submit an application by the closing date.**

ST RUMON'S NEWS

Foundation Stage Spare Underwear – If you have any spare underwear or tights for girls we would greatly appreciate any donations. Thank you.

Fact of the Week Badge – The fact of the week after half term will be the number 7. Please discuss this with your children so that they can come in with some interesting facts about this. We look forward to hearing their ideas as they come into school each morning

Mobile Phones – can we please remind all adults that mobile phones should not be used on school premises for Safeguarding reasons.

Breakfast Club – Please note that breakfast will stop being served at 8.25am. Thank you.

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.

Letters Home

- Football tournament
- Tag Rugby

Autumn Term 2017 Dates:

Thursday 19 October – 3.30 pm - Y6 Cake Sale outside Brentor class

Friday 20 October – 9.00 am Brentor Class assembly

Wednesday 1 November at 9 am - School's Eucharist Service @ St Eustachius

Wednesday 8 November – 9.45 am-1.00 pm – Netball Festival @ Tavistock College

Friday 10 November – 9.00 am-2.00 pm – Cross Country @ Castle Drogo

Wednesday 15 November – 9.30 am-1.00 pm – Y5/6 Cyclo in The Meadows

Wednesday 22 November – 9.15 am-1.30 pm - Futsal (indoor football) tournament @ Okehampton

Wednesday 22 November – 6.00 pm-7.00 pm – Governors Standards Committee Meeting

Wednesday 22 November – 7.00 pm-8.00 pm – Full Governors Meeting

Friday 1 December – 9.00 am-1.30 pm - Y4/5/6 Sportshall Athletics @ Tavistock College

Thursday 7th December – Foundation Stage Nativity at St Rumon's – 2.30-3pm

Friday 8th December – Foundation Stage Nativity at St Rumon's – 9.30-10am

Friday 8 December – 3.30 pm-PTA Christmas Fair @ St Rumon's

Wednesday 13th December – Christmas Lunch & Party at St Peters

Wednesday 13th December – KS1 Nativity @ Town Hall, 2.00pm and 6.00pm

Thursday 14th December - Christmas Lunch at St Rumon's

Friday 15 December – 2.00 pm Advent Service @ St Eustachius

Friday 15th December – Last Day of Term

6th-8th February : Y5 London Residential

22-23rd February: Y4 Residential – Pixies Holt

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

COMMUNITY NEWS

Go Ride Cycling Sessions -There will be a British Cycling Go Ride Coaching session (and races to follow!) in the Meadows Tavistock on Friday October 27th. Registration 1.45 for a 2.00 pm prompt start. All children between 7 and 16 welcome (under 10's must have parent/carer at the session at all times). £3 entry, all children receive a prize. Bikes must be in good working order, knobby tyres recommended. Helmets must be worn. This is a great session for those who want to join Tavistock Wheelers Youth Cycling or for those who will be in the Primary School cyclo cross race on November 15th or for those who just want a fun session on the bike. Further details Tavistock Wheelers Youth Cycling Facebook group

TAVY 7 - The famous Tavy7 run is taking place at Plasterdown (PL20 3QY) near Horrabridge on Sunday 22nd October. As always Tavistock Athletic Club is organising a junior fun run to take place during the main race. The fun run is divided into 2 age groups. Years 3 & 4 run ¾ mile (younger runners may enter but must be accompanied). Years 5 & 6 and upwards run a 1.5mile course. The course is on flatish moorland and starts and finishes at the main Tavy7 start/finish area. Entries cost just £3 and all finishers receive a medal (but since it's a fun run there are no individual or team prizes). Entries are on the day only and the race starts at 11.05pm (after the start of the main race). Please arrive early due to limited parking and to allow enough time to register. If you need further information please email : martin@exley-deane.co.uk



Tennis Camp
October Half Term

Tues 24 Oct, Thur 26 Oct & Thur 2 Nov 2017



Train Like A Pro

A fun and dynamic game-based approach, we incorporate a combination of skills and drills to help players develop their rallying, serving and point scoring!

Coach Ben Knight - LTA Accredited Level 4 Performance Coach

Where Prep - Tennis Court if dry & Sports Hall if wet

Time 9:00 to 11:00 ages 5 to 8
11:30 to 15:30 ages 9 to 13

Cost Ages 5 to 8 - £12 per session
Ages 9 to 13 - £20 per session

Food Bring snacks and a water bottle

Book To book your place please email Ben with:
Child's Name, Age, Year Group, Dates & Experience Level.
ben.knight6@icloud.com

Wizard of Oz -Tavistock Musical Theatre Company are proud to present The Wizard of Oz at The Wharf, Tavistock on Tues 31 October to Sat 4 November - 7.30 pm each evening and Saturday matinee at 2.30 pm. Tickets £13 per adult & £11 per child available from the Wharf Box Office tel: 01822 611166.

SJS Dance Academy – From 3yrs up – Ballet/ Jazz/ Tap/ RAD classes in Tavistock or Stoke Climsland – Contact Suzanne 01822 618952 / suzanne@sjsdanceacademy.co.uk for more details.

Tavistock College Cardiff Christmas Shopping Trip – Saturday 2nd December – Coach leaving at 6am and leaving Cardiff at 5pm – Cost £20/person – Contact Chantelle Cocker on 01822 614231/ c.cocker@tavistockcollege.org

Rotary Young Photographers Competition – Theme: 'A Different Perspective'. Entries need to provide 3 photographs (max size A4) by Friday 5th January. Entry forms available from the school office.

