



FEDERATION NEWS - Another half term has flown by. I have really loved seeing the cross curricular nature of the children's work throughout the entire school this term. The teachers are really working hard to bring their topics to life for their children and the children are loving it. I wanted to say a quick well done to the cross country runners who did so well on Tuesday with a great team effort and also superb individual achievements by Lara (1st), Orla (3rd) and Jack (1st). Excellent all of you. Have a lovely half term everybody and remember that the first Monday back (25th Feb) is an INSET Day.

E-mail Communication – We have had a number of reports from parents who have not received recent e-mail communications/ newsletters from us – on further investigation it appears that some e-mails are going into people's Spam/ junk folders – Please check this and also ensure that we have the correct e-mail address details for you. Thank you.

World Book Day. On 7th March, we will be celebrating World Book Day in school. During the day the children will be taking part in a wide range of reading activities but I wanted to draw your attention to the following particular activities:-

- **Dressing Up:** On the day we would like children to dress up as their favourite character from a book. No football kits or super heroes please. Please can children at St Peter's also bring a copy of the book with them.
- **Book Swap:** Last year's book swap was such a success that we would love to run it again. Children can bring in one or more books (suitable for Foundation Stage age upwards). Please write in it book swap so that it does not get confused with the dressing up book or any reading books. They will then receive a ticket for each book that they bring in which they will use to swap.
- **'Book on a Plate':** Something new for this year. Each child will be given an empty paper plate. On the plate they can represent their favourite book or a part of their favourite book. Ideas for this include: Drawing a scene on the plate and writing their favourite passage; or Making a cake which illustrates the story and putting it on the plate; or Making a model and sticking it to the plate. The plate should be brought into school on Thursday 7th March and they will be judged with prizes given for the most creative plates. Here is Harry's excellent Billionaire Boy plate to give you an idea!
- **Scholastic Book Fair** – St Rumon's 3-4pm on Thursday 7th & Friday 8th March.



Parents' evenings- Parents evenings will be held during the week commencing 11th March (Except for Feather Tor), and St Peter's on Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th and St Rumon's appointments on Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th. You will be able to sign up for appointments after half term (from 25th February). Please make sure that you do contact the office to make an appointment as it is vital that you take the opportunity to come in and speak with your child's teacher so that you have a good understanding of how your child is progressing academically and socially.

St E @ St P - Holiday Activity Morning - Tuesday 19th February - The Children and Families team from St Eustachius will be running a holiday activity session 9:30-12:30 on Tuesday 19th February at St Peter's School during the half term holiday. There will be games, craft, and riotous activities available all with a common Christian theme. Open to all children of primary school age - however, places are limited. To register your interest, please email heidiclewis@gmail.com.

End of Easter Term Church Service -Tuesday 2nd April – @ 2pm – Please note that this is a **change of usual date** as the church is unavailable on the last day of term. Children will all need to be picked up from the church at 3pm on Tuesday 2nd April. Children will be picked up on the last day of term (Friday 5th April) at their respective schools – 3pm at St Rumon's and 3.30pm at St Peters.

Tesco Embroidered Uniform - Tesco have now closed their school embroidered service on February 12 2019. The existing supplier will continue to provide the uniform at the same prices and can be found at www.myclothing.com instead .

ST PETER'S NEWS

2019 Tavy 13 Primary Challenge – Thank you to all those children who have entered this community event. We will continue our laps at school next half term to complete the first 12 miles and the final mile will then be completed on SUNDAY 24TH March 2019 to qualify for the medal and t-shirt. Letters with final details will be sent out nearer the time

Swimming Gala – A huge well done to all our swimmers last Friday at meadowlands (Molly, Celie, Amelia, Ella, Lara, Emily, Tanisha, Hazel, Herbie, Jakob, Joe, Ed, Sam, Ewan, Oliver & Hagen). Our A team came 4th narrowly missing out on 3rd place by 1 point. Our B team came 9th.

Cross Country – The start of the cross country series of competitions was this week in the Meadows. 24 children took part and a fantastic effort was made by each and every one of them. Currently the Year 3/4 team are 3rd overall (Boys 1st; Girls 4th)and the Year 5/6 team are 2nd Overall (with only 2 points between them and overall 1st) (Girls 2nd; Boys 4th) .Get ready for the next one straight after half term at the Pimple on Tuesday 26th February! The half term offers all the children a perfect opportunity for practicing!

Breakfast & After School Clubs – we would remind parents/carers that 24 hours' notice of cancellation needs to be given for each of these clubs. Any cancellations made outside of this period will incur a charge for the session. Please note, cancellations can only be made by contacting the school office.

Children's University – If your child is interested in participating in the Children's University scheme – please request a consent form from the office – once received, Children's University passports will be issued. Each child can gain bronze, silver and gold certificates in recognition of extra-curricular activities they take part in. For more details-<http://www.childrensuniversity.co.uk>

ST RUMON'S

Parking Outside St Rumon's – we are concerned at the number of people parking outside school at drop off and pick up times. This affects the safety of our children and we do provide parking permits for Abbey and Brook Street car parks between 8.45-9.15 am and 2.45-3.15 pm. Please contact the office if you require a permit. Thank you.

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.

After School Activity Clubs – a reminder that payment for Clubs needs to be made to the school office if not yet already received. Cheques should be made payable as follows:-

- Football – Plymouth Argyle Football Club
- Cricket – Brenden Worth
- Show in a Term – Heidi Lewis
- Zumba & Martial Arts – St Rumon's CE Infants School

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.

Fact of the Week Badge – The fact of the week after half term will be the number 5. Please discuss this with your children so that they can come in with some interesting facts about this number. We look

forward to hearing them.

Headlice – we have had several cases of headlice in school. Please can we ask all parents/carers to check their child's hair and treat appropriately. We recommend that long hair is tied back. Thank you.

Lunchtime Awards – Congratulations to our lunchtime stars this week who are Nora-May Galli, Jack Court & Illithia Smerdon. Well done also to Plym Class who won an extra day's play on the climbing frame.

LETTERS HOME

- Pixies Holt info & kit list

CHURCH NEWS

Prayer for St Rumon's and St Peter's: A group meets once or twice a term to pray for our schools, the children and staff. If you would like to join us, please contact Hannah Waive on hcwaive@yahoo.co.uk

Key Dates:-

- Thursday February 14th - Messy Church at Tavistock Methodist Church
- Weds 6 March – 9 am Schools' Communion for Ash Wednesday @ St Eustachius
- Thursday 14 March - Messy Church at Tavistock Methodist Church
- Fri 5 Apr – 2 pm Easter Service @ St Eustachius
- Wed 5 Jun – 9 am Schools' Communion for Pentecost @ St Eustachius
- Tues 23 Jul – 2 pm Y6 Leavers' Service @ St Eustachius

SPRING TERM: 7 January 2019 – 5 April 2019

16-24th February : HALF TERM – please note we do not return to school until Tuesday 26th February

Monday 25th February : Non-Pupil day

Tuesday 26th February – Cross Country @The Pimple.

Wednesday 27th February – Friday 1st March – Y5 London Residential

Thursday 28th February – Friday 1st March – Y4 Pixie's Holt

Wednesday 6th March – Schools Communion Service for Ash Wednesday- please drop children to St Eustachius at 8.50am

Thursday 7th & Friday 8th March – Scholastic Book Fair
@ StRumons: 3-4.30pm

Monday 11 March & Tuesday 12 March – St Peters
Parents evenings 4pm-6.45pm

Tuesday 12th March – FS Trip to Newquay Zoo

Tuesday 12th March – Class Photos at St Peter's

Wednesday 13 March – Class photos at St Rumon's

Wednesday 13 March & Thursday 14 March – St
Rumon's : 3.30-6.15pm

Friday 15th March – Comic Relief Day

Tuesday 26th March – Cross Country @Yelverton.

Tuesday 26th March – Show in a Term production
4.30-5.30pm @ St Peters

Wednesday 27th March – Y1 & Y2 Trip to Morwellham
Quay

Thursay 28th March – Show in a Term production 3.45-
4.15pm @ St Rumons

Tuesday 2nd April – End of Term Church Service @
2pm

Saturday 11th May - Town Hall Disco (for the grown-
ups, for a change!)

Monday, 24th June – Friday, 28th June – Y6
Mountbatten Residential



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A free, fun sessions for anyone to come and play in a relaxed atmosphere, with a professional music teacher and band members to help you. Absolutely no experience needed. All ages welcome from 6 years - no upper limit! Bring a friend!

Saturday 16th March 2019

At 11.30 a.m. and 1.00p.m.

(each session up to one hour but drop- in also welcome)

At Guide Hall, Canal Road, Tavistock
(in the corner of Bedford Car Park)

If you enjoy this taster session Stannary Brass Band would welcome you to their Beginners Group or Training Band, with free instrument loan, and lots of support. To book your place please ring 01822 841330 or email stannarybrassband@outlook.com - or just drop in, we'd love to see you.

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COMMUNITY

Violin Lessons – Mrs Lewis offers violin lessons at St Peter’s. £9 per 20min individual lesson, £6.50 per half hour in a group of up to 2-4 children. Violins can be borrowed from school. For more information or to book a lesson please email Mrs Lewis at heidiclewis@gmail.com