

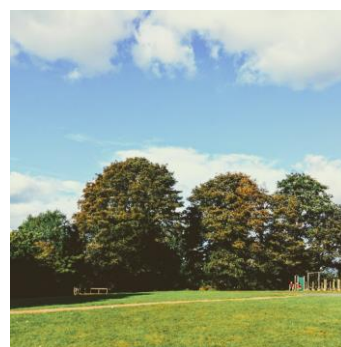
FEDERATION NEWS - Another super week as always and I can't believe how quickly this term is flying by. Last Thursday St Peter's had a Peer Review which was conducted by the MAT school improvement team and another Headteacher in the MAT. I have to say that it was an excellent day during which the children and the teachers did the school proud. The learning, behaviour and systems were all viewed very positively. It was a really good example where being part of a MAT has been able to provide us with challenge, support and recognition. Well done children and teachers for their excellent efforts.

Hit The Button Challenge- I have mentioned Hit The Button many times on newsletter as a great way for the children to practice tables and other number recall. Before Easter we hope to hold a hit the button challenge where each class will find their class champion and then there will be a live final. Please do encourage your children to spend a couple of minutes regularly on the game. It is available as a paid app on Android and IOS or for free on the internet. The internet versions works on tablets and even phones whilst the paid version allows you to set up accounts for more than one child and also save scores etc.



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.

Young Photographer Competition – Congratulations to Hallie who won the Junior Section for Tavistock (winning photos below). She received a certificate and £25 book token at the presentation at The Bedford Hotel last night. Congratulations also goes to James and Harry Malthouse who won the Kindergarten section. All photography club (from last term) children entered and were invited to the presentation. They also received certificates and their original photographs back. All of the entries will be on display in Tavistock Library on Friday.



Proposed Hotel Development in Abbey Car Park– you may have seen reports that West Devon Borough Council is currently considering a proposal to close Abbey Car Park and build a hotel in its place. This is one of the car parks where parents can park with a permit when dropping off and collecting their children from school. A further meeting on this matter is being held on Tues 12 February. If you have any views you would like to express regarding the proposal, you may wish to contact a local Councillor to make them known. Details of local Councillors can be found at www.westdevon.gov.uk/councillorsWD.

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.

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 (make sure to include the 'c' in the middle!)

Feather Tor Teacher – We are pleased to announce that Mr George Bowles will be covering for Mrs Giles during her maternity leave. He will be coming into school from 11 February to have a period of handover with the children.

Tesco Embroidered Uniform - Tesco will close 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 .

Toddler Group –held at St Rumon's on Mondays (1.30pm - 2.45pm). All families are welcome. Please come along for music, singing, crafts, refreshments and to meet new friends.

Nut Allergies – as we have children and staff with nut allergies, could we please remind you that nuts should not be brought into school by anyone.

Breakfast Club & After School Club Booking Systems – Please make sure any outstanding balances are cleared as soon as possible in order to continue using the club. All bookings and payments should be made in advance for After School Club and Breakfast Club using the app or via the school office.

ST PETER'S NEWS

Clubs Cancelled Next Wednesday – Please note that due to a staff training meeting – the Arts & Crafts Club and Mr Conners' Football club will not take place **on Wednesday 13th February**.

Snack at Break –Please be reminded that children's snack at breaktime should be a healthy option and chocolate bars are not appropriate. Many thanks.

Cake Sales – Thank you to all the children in Year 3 & 4 children who have been bringing in cakes to raise money towards their Pixies Holt trip. Thank you also for supporting them.

Y4 PIXIES HOLT – Please can all SOE3 consent forms be returned to the office asap as your child will not be able to go on this trip without one. Many thanks.

Y5 Parents London Residential meeting - London Residential meeting for parents at 6:00pm **TODAY** 7th February - a chance to get further details and ask any questions you may have.

2019 Tavy 13 Primary Challenge – Entrance forms available in the school office for the Tavy 13 Primary Challenge – All children will have the opportunity to run 12 miles during school time to enable them to run the final mile on SUNDAY 24TH March 2019 to qualify for the medal and t-shirt. Costs £8 – Please note that forms need to be received by **Wednesday 13th February**

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 NEWS

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.

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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 next week will be “interesting facts about odd numbers”, eg, 2 odd numbers make a ? 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 Megan Morton, Rowan Carer and Keira Clarke. Well done also to Meavy Class who won an extra day’s play on the climbing frame.

LETTERS HOME

- Swimming Gala rearrangements
- Cross Country event

CHURCH NEWS

Nosh @ 9:30 in the Parish Rooms, Tavistock - Sunday 10th February - Join us this Sunday for the first of our new monthly Nosh @ 9:30 service. We start at 9:30am with breakfast (sausage sandwiches, toast, pastries...) followed by a short time of informal, contemporary, all-age worship. Find us in the Parish Rooms between the Bedford Hotel and the Vicarage. All are welcome.

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 Waine on hcwaine@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

Thursday 7th February - Y5 Parents London Residential meeting at 6:00pm

Friday 8th February – Swimming Gala – rearranged date

Tuesday 12th February – Cross Country @The Meadows.

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

Friday 5th 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

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

