

Dear Parents/Carers,

**Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all
At Mount Charles Primary School!**



Don't forget that school finishes at **1.30 p.m.** on the last day of term (Wednesday 20th December). Charlie's after school club finishes at 3pm.

We look forward to welcoming our children back on **Thursday 4th January.**

Attendance

On Friday 8th December class 4BR won the trophy for 'Good Attendance' with 97.7% and on Friday 15th December, class 5LB won with 97.3%. Well done to class 3AW and RGB!

The national expectation for attendance is 96%. Holidays taken during term time will not be authorised unless in exceptional circumstances.

Celebrating Success

Y1	Poppy Lillie	Freddie Amelia	Y2	Max Rosie	Caiden Maisie-Jay
Y3	Rebecca		Y4	Summer Jai Henry Lily	Bailey Alexis Max Luke
Y5	Dylan Avery		Y6	Kizzie	Max Bobby

New Reception 2018 - Do you have a child born between 1 September 2013 and 31 August 2014? If so, you will need to apply for a place in a reception class in September 2018 for that child by the deadline of 15 January 2018. Visit www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions for more information and to access the online application system.

Christmas Tree

Thanks again to the Orchard family at Cedar Croft for our beautiful Christmas tree. It has looked amazing



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covered with childrens decorations. If your child would like to take their decoration home then please help yourself on Wednesday morning. Any decorations left on the tree can be claimed from reception. If any family would like our Christmas tree then you would be welcome to take it home with you on Wednesday afternoon. Please let our office staff know if you are interested.

Christmas Fair

Thank you to everyone who came to support the wonderful Christmas Fair and thank you to our PTA for all their hard work this term. We raised well over £1000 and will let you know the exact figure in the new year.

There are still some teatowels available. If anyone would like to purchase one, please see the office.

Nativity Photographs

We appreciate that there have been comments made regarding photographs of the KS1 Nativity on Facebook. We would like to clarify that it had been suggested by parents that we ask Tempest to take professional photographs of the children in their costumes. The school do not receive any payment from any Tempest photographs sold. The school arranged for the Nativity to be photographed and a video recording made so that the children were not distracted by lots of cameras during the performance. These discs are being sold for £1.50 to contribute towards the cost of having the discs made and the photography/filming. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this then please come in and speak to us rather than posting on social media. Thank you.

Class Christmas Parties

All children are welcome to come to school in party clothes on Wednesday 20th December if they wish. The children will have class parties, party lunch and the PTA have kindly provided ice cream for the children as a treat.

Spring Term Clubs

The spring term club list is on our website and letters have gone out for you to sign up for any new clubs starting in January. Clubs will begin on Monday 8th January and finish on Friday 23rd March.

Charlie's Wrap-around Childcare

Charlie's after school club will finish at 3pm on Wednesday 20th December. Breakfast and after school club will start again at the usual times from Thursday 4th January. Breakfast club opens at 7.50am every day and we are now offering a drop off facility from 8.15am for £1. Please see Mrs Gray if you would be interested.

Maths Champions

Congratulations to the following children for being our maths champions of the week:

8 th December		15 th December	
KS1	Kallum	KS1	Layla
Lower KS2	Kane Lisa	Lower KS2	Max
Upper KS2	Ollie	Upper KS2	Sakiba

Feelings Box

We now have a feelings box (located in the reception area) so that children can share their feelings with us. Mrs Mercer may check in with them each Wednesday.

Carol Concert

We were all very proud of the children performing in the KS2 Christmas performance at St Augustine's church on Tuesday. The singing and the readings were superb. A big thank you again to our PTA for serving complimentary refreshments and the organist.

Sarah Down, Parish Secretary said 'thank you so much for the care the children and the Mount Charles school staff took of the church this year. We really appreciated your meticulous planning and care. Wishing you a peaceful, blessed and restful Christmas'.

We are now looking forward to next year!

DIARY DATES	
December	
Tues. 19 th	KS1 Christingle
Tues. 19 th	KS2 Cinema Trip
Weds. 20 th	Christmas sing-a-long
Weds. 20 th	End of Term – School Closes at 1.30 p.m.
January	
Thurs. 4 th	Return to School

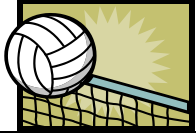
Please visit the new calendar page on www.mount-charlessch.org to see these, and other dates, as they go into the Diary.

Invitation to our
CHRISTINGLE SERVICE on
CHRISTMAS EVE at **5PM**

Hope to see you there!

Welcoming families to
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