

Dear Parents/Carers,

Attendance

On Friday 24th November class 3AW won the trophy for 'Good Attendance' with 98.9% and on Friday 1st December, class RGB won with 98.7%. 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	Tommy Leon	Alice	Y2	Hope Lois Tyler Oliver	Sienna Ruby Anh Layla
Y3	Izzy Kristina	Andrew	Y4	Delphie William Maisie Jake	Violet Alfie Kiana-Rose Courtney
Y5	Jamie Rhys	Isabelle Jasmine	Y6	James Jessica	Tilly Millie

Term Dates 2018/2019 Academic Year

We received positive feedback about the extended October half term break this year. As a result, we will follow Penrice Academy, and block our 5 days INSET training the week after the October half term next year.

Autumn Term:

5 September - 20 December
(Half-term 22 October - 2 November)

Spring Term:

7 January - 5 April
(Half-term 18 - 22 February)

Summer Term:

23 April - 26 July
(Half-term 27 - 31 May)

Please note this differs from the Cornwall Council dates – our children start the term on **Wednesday 5th**

September 2018 and finish on **Friday 26th July 2019**.



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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.

Music Festival

Congratulations to Mount Charles School Choir on being placed second in their class at St Austell Music Festival. Miss Segolo and all staff present were very proud of every single child in the choir. They have worked hard for many weeks to learn their pieces and they all tried their hardest on the day. The adjudicator praised the choir for their enthusiasm and energy and their super singing. Their behaviour and fantastic attitude made them a real credit to our school.



Welcoming the Christmas Tree

Thank you to everyone that joined us to welcome our Christmas tree. The decorations look fantastic. If you would like to make a decoration to add to our tree or our reception area then please hand them into the school office. Thank you again to Mark Orchard at Cedar Croft for donating the tree – it really is a beauty! Thank you to the PTA for providing refreshments.

Christmas Fair – Friday 8th December 3-5pm

Please come along and support our Christmas Fayre this Friday afternoon. The children have been working hard to make a variety of crafts that will be on sale. Refreshments will be served and there will be a variety of other stalls and games to entertain the whole family.

The office have plenty of spare raffle tickets if you would like to purchase some more. There is an error on our raffle tickets – the Pentewan Caravan prize is unfortunately not available.

Maths Champions of the week

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

24-11-17

KS1 Champions - Jasmin Rodrigues and Riley Welsh

LKS2 Champion - Filipe Costa

UKS2 Champion - James Attkinson

1-12-17

KS1 Champion - Alice Dibbs

LKS2 Champions - Ieva Klebaha and Zack Jones

UKS2 Champion - Brandon Hopkins

National Road Safety Week Art Competition

Thank you to all those who entered the art competition. Mrs Knuckey's office has been full of colourful, creative entries and it is clear that all children have really taken on board the key messages of Road Safety. With such a high standard of entries it was a very difficult choice.

Key Stage 1 winners are Autumn Styles, Lily-Mei Scotland and Ava Margetts

Key Stage 2 winners are Lily Burningham, Delphie Grant and Maja Spryszak

These winners have had their entries sent off to the next round of the competition. We hope to make a display with all of the entries. Thanks to adults for their great support at home.

Coffee Morning

Mrs Jodie Jarvis and Mrs Lynette Andrews, our two new Autism Champions, will be holding a coffee morning on 15th December from 8.30am in the staff room for parents or carers of children on the spectrum or who display associated behaviours. This will be a great opportunity to meet the team and to share any worries or strategies that may support others. We would love to see you there.

Playground Safety

When children arrive to school in the morning the play equipment **must not** be used. Also – **no** ball games please as there are no staff to supervise your children until 8.30am.

Children in Need

The children had a great time raising money for 'Children in Need'. We raised a magnificent £344.28. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

Parking Issues

We have received a complaint from Woodland House regarding inappropriate parking. Parents are parking across the access for both Woodland House and the Childrens Centre. Access is required at all times for emergency services. We have agreement with B&M that parents can park in their car park and walk to school via the underpass. Please be considerate of the wider community when dropping off and collecting your children.

Parent Questionnaire

Please return your parent questionnaires to the school office. We aim to work collaboratively with parents so that we can continue to improve our school together. Your feedback is really important to us. Once we have collated the responses we will feedback the results and planned actions.

Poppy Appeal

We have received a thank you card from the Poppy Appeal for raising £160.58. Thanks again!

Payment for Christmas Lunch

Please remember that if your child is having a Christmas lunch it will need to be paid by Parent Pay. Please ensure you have activated your account.



Mount Charles Church
Victoria Road, St Austell, PL25 4QF

Thursday 7th December

3.15pm – 5.15pm

Christmas Starts here...

Enjoy activities such as: crafts, cooking
and singing as a family with a sit-down
meal together

All ages welcome

www.mountcharleschurch.com 

DIARY DATES	
December	
Tues. 5 th	Infants' Christmas Performance – 2 p.m.
Wed. 6 th	Cross Country @ Par
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Thurs. 7 th	Infants' Christmas Performance – 9.30 a.m.
Fri. 8 th	Christmas Fayre
Mon. 11 th	Year 4 Badminton @ Tregorrick
Tues. 12 th	KS2 Carol Service @ St. Augustine's Church
Thurs. 14 th	7JC cinema trip and nativity for parents
Thurs. 14 th	Girls' Football match v. St. Dennis (away)
Fri. 15 th	Year 3 & 5 swimming – a.m.!!
Fri 15 th	Christmas Dinner – Children are welcome to wear a Christmas jumper / hat or badge with the school uniform.
Mon. 18 th	KS1 Party in the Main Hall
Tues. 19 th	KS1 Christingle
Tues. 19 th	KS2 Cinema Trip
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.



SPORTS NEWS

Netball away against Carclaze 21st November

A team – Kieran (C), George, Denis, Katie, Ella, Tilly and Millie

The A team started really well with goals from Denis and Millie. However, in the next two quarters, Carclaze managed to level this and score two goals. The A team put up a good fight in these quarters, but despite their efforts, they couldn't quite get the ball into the net. It was a tense final quarter, with Millie scoring a goal early on. Just before the final whistle, Carclaze managed to score a goal to level the score. Carclaze have a really good A team and gave us our toughest game of the season so far. It was a very close match the whole way through and the score ended as 3-3. Player of the match goes to Millie for showing great determination throughout the game.

B Team – Maddy, Holly, Grace, Owain, Harry B, Harry C, Ellie and Kelsey

The B team got off to a great start as well with a goal from Grace. However, Carclaze matched this by also scoring a goal. Despite their brilliant efforts, the second quarter remained goalless. Carclaze went into the third quarter by scoring an instant goal. The B team didn't let this stop them and in no time Holly scored a couple of goals. Then in the final quarter Grace managed to score another goal, leaving the final score as 4-2 to us. It was a well-deserved win and the B team were extremely determined to win the whole way through. Player of the match goes to Holly.

Swimming Gala Report

On Monday 27th November our year 3 and 4 swimming team travelled to Truro to compete in a friendly gala against Truro Prep. (Devoran School had to pull out). Our year 3's only started curriculum swimming this half term therefore we had to include several year 4's to help make up the team but the year 3's that did take part Suki, Alfie and Sid deserve great credit for their efforts on the day. Overall we were really up against it as Truro Prep have their own pool and always produce really strong swimmers, however our children gained valuable gala experience and showed great spirit and determination on the day. They all looked very smart on poolside wearing our new swimming team t shirts. Out of the Reminder: Latest school info., School Prospectus etc. are available via our website (www.mount-charlessch.org). Paper copies available, if required, from the school office. o:\newsletters\2017-2018\newsletter06autumn.docx

twenty five races on the day we managed just two wins but by the time these teams reach year 6 they will be much stronger and will have gained so much more gala experience. They certainly all seemed to enjoy it. Many thanks to those parents who came along to cheer our swimmers on and to Miss Nile for her help on poolside.

Mr.B

Teams:

Yr 4 - Ellie, Olivia, Chelsea, Lily, Sam, Henry, Dylan, Max, Ethan, Jai, Luke

Yr 3 – Suki, Alfie, Sid

Next gala: A team v St.Mewan and Sandy Hill Thursday 11th January at Polkyth (tbc)

Rugby Report v Biscovey (friendly fixtures)– Home 23/11/17

Our A team played a game of touch rugby followed by a game of Tag rugby and ended up winning the first and losing the second, so honours were shared on the day. Tilly scored a hat trick of tries in the second match and deservedly won the player of the match.

The B team played the same format as the A's and recorded a draw and a loss.

All of our Year 3/4 Tag rugby club members gained match practice against Biscovey's Yr 3 & 4 team again over a two match format and our team won both of their games. For many of our children it was their first proper competitive match against another school and they deserve a great deal of credit for their effort on the day.

It was great to see nearly forty of our junior children playing rugby on the field, all giving their best for the school. Many thanks to Mr.Rees and Mr.Rosevear for giving up their time and to those parents who came along to offer support on the touchline. We look forward to playing over at Biscovey after Christmas.

Teams:

A – Finlay, Milly, Tilly, Owain, William, Kieran, Harry

B – James, Finn, Stanley, Ellie, Mahala, Freddie, Ethan, Kelsey

Yr 3/4 – All club members!