

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

Next week the children will be focused on their Christmas Productions. This year Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be performing a world exclusive called 'The Three Trees', Year 3 and 4 a premier of, 'Silent Night – The Tale', and Years 5 and 6 another exclusive called, 'A Royal Christmas Saved!' Thank you in advance for all your support providing costumes and helping your child learn lines and songs. We are sure you will thoroughly enjoy the performances.

Key dates for the term

12th & 13th December – Christmas Productions

14th December – KS2 Christmas Party

17th December – Reception and KS1 Christmas Party

18th December – CHRISTINGLE SERVICE at St Stephen's Church for KS2. at 6.30pm

18th December - Reception trip to the theatre to see 'The Gingerbread man.'

19th December – Christmas lunch

20th December – BREAK UP FOR CHRISTMAS

7th January 2019 – Back to school

10th January – Year 6 Tudor Banquet

11th January – Year 5 and 3 start swimming

15th – 18th January – Epiphany Prayer Spaces in school

15th February – School closed for Parent Consultation Day

18th – 22nd February – Half term

7th March – KS2 trip to see the Birmingham Royal Ballet perform Beauty and the Beast at the Theatre Royal

15th – 20th March – Scholastic Book Fayre. If you think you may be able to help please see Mrs Dunbar.

***WEDNESDAY 3RD APRIL – KS2 PASSION PLAY AT ST NICHOLAS AND ST FAITH CHURCH at 6.30pm**

21st May – M and M Theatre production for KS2 – The Hobbit

6th June – ROYAL CORNWALL SHOW FOR KS2

24th – 28th June – Year 5 trip to Heatree

3rd July – Provisional class move-up day

(subject to Year 6 transition day

10th July – Meet your child's new teacher presentation from 3.20pm

24th July – End of summer term.

LATE FOR SCHOOL

Unfortunately, despite several reminders in newsletters, the number of children arriving late for school has continued to rise and this is now a cause for concern. So far this term we have recorded 267 occasions when children arrived late for school. When this occurs it has an impact on everyone.

Lessons start at 9.00am when registration closes and, if children are arriving at this time, or later, it delays the start of a lesson or interrupts all the other children's learning.

Registration opens at 8.50am and we expect children to arrive at this time. Not only is it distressing for a child arriving late, (imagine walking into a class when everyone has already started a lesson), it is distracting for those children who are ready for learning. Being late means a child will miss out on the vital start of the morning lesson – children cannot make up this time. We will therefore be monitoring this closely over the next few weeks and term. Your support will be much appreciated.



It was lovely to see so many of the Year 6s in the lantern parade – it was a wonderful evening.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

We know that a number of families have been enjoying the new **Family Services** being held at **St Stephen's Church** on the first Sunday of the month at **10.00am**. The next Family service will be on the **6th January** with a theme of Epiphany. We would like to invite the children to bring a present they have received (not too big!) to show everyone during and after the service. Mrs Green will be at the service and will need some volunteers to help her! We hope you will be able to come along. 😊



Do you know people who may be on their own this Christmas, or families for whom Christmas may be a lonely time? If so there is an opportunity for anyone who may be lonely this Christmas to join a traditional Christmas Day meal at the Saltash Baptist Church. It starts at 12 noon and finishes around 2.30pm. Please email info@saltashbaptist.co.uk for further details or if you know someone who could be invited. Thank you.

On the **16th January** Cornwall Music Service Trust will be providing a showcase **'music concert'**, demonstrating the musical instrument tuition available to your child. There will be two demonstrations one commencing at 6.30pm and again at 7.30pm to allow as many parents and children to come along and hear what's on offer.

The team will also be discussing funding opportunities and ways of accessing tuition. Cornwall Music Service Trust also offer a loan service which makes learning an instrument much more accessible and affordable. Please put the date in your diary and come along.

Sometimes the alpacas, Jacob and Isaac, like to come up and have a peek through the windows to see what the children are up to. Here they are having a peep at Year 2!!



Year 6 created their own wax seals to ensure the contents of their Tudor Feast invitations were safely delivered to the correct recipient! They were all received and the seals broken!!



Just a sneak preview of how wonderful the Reception and KS1 children look in their costumes ready for their performance of the world exclusive, 'The Three Trees'. They have been practising hard this week and are ready to WOW everyone!