

'You, LORD, are the light that keeps me safe. I am not afraid of anyone. You protect me, I have no fears.' Psalm 27

Next week the children in:

Reception will be getting a visit from the RNLI as another group of people who help us.

Year 1 will be exploring the environment for minibeasts.

Year 2 will be discovering the highlands and lowlands of Scotland!

Year 3 will be creating incredible creatures and Indian artwork

In Year 4 Britannia is about to be invaded by the Romans – will the Celts fight or flee?

Year 5 will be completing their fabulous science topic looking at the phases of the moon.

Year 6 will be preparing for their VE celebrations and comparing powdered egg vs. fresh egg!

Key dates for the term

15th October CANCELLED and moved to 5th November – TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHER IN SCHOOL FOR INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY GROUPS

30th October – Height and weight measuring for Reception and Year 6

26th November – Lantern making workshop for Year 6

12th & 13th December – Christmas Productions

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

18th December - Reception children 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

11th January – Year 5 and 3 start swimming

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

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

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

If any parents can help dismantle the wooden house on the Key Stage 1 play area (in preparation for a replacement!) please see Mrs Dunbar or Mrs Oakes. Thank you.

Texts are a really important way that we can send messages quickly but sometimes we get reports that they have not been received. Our texting service sends us an update on which messages have been **successfully sent**, which are **pending** and which have **failed**. Please do come and alert us so you get the relevant information however, very often it will be the mobile phone provider that has not delivered the message. If our system indicates a message has *failed to send* we will telephone you. Sometimes it isn't a fault at our end!



Year 6 have been doing some exciting writing in the woods followed by toasting marshmallows on the stove in the yurt. They have had great fun and the resulting creative work has been amazing – well done Year 6.

Some of our newly elected team Captains and Vice-Captains are here with the generous contributions you all made for the Saltash Food Bank. When we took everything down to them they were truly grateful.



The Reception children had great fun dressing up as Fire Fighters and were extremely excited when a Fire Appliance came to school and they met some real, live fire fighters!!



We will let you know when we have a new date for the children who have not yet had their flu vaccination.

Please can you ensure your child is in school for 8.50am. We have an increasing number of children who are arriving late and this disrupts the start of lessons at 9.00am. Thank you.

Thank you for your responses to the Parent Questionnaire, which we have now analysed. The results of the 100 questionnaires returned are below. Thank you also for the many positive comments about the school but also your suggestions for improvement and the new things we could do – some have already been actioned!

We have also undertaken a questionnaire with the children asking for their suggestions for new and improved things but also asking them about what makes our school special to them. We will share these with you over the next few weeks. Thank you once again. ☺

	No of responses	Strongly agree / agree	Strongly agree
My child is happy in school.	99	100%	76%
My child feels safe in school.	99	100%	85%
The school informs me about my child's progress and achievements.	98	94%	59%
I am pleased with the progress my child is making in school.	98	96%	51%
My child is taught well at school.	98	98%	68%
The school helps my child develop skills in communication, reading, writing and mathematics.	99	97%	67%
We appreciate the wide and creative curriculum.	99	99%	74%
There is a good standard of behaviour at the school and issues are dealt with quickly and fairly.	98	93%	51%
We feel we can talk to staff about any concerns or issues including bullying and racism.	99	97%	70%
We feel proud of our child's school.	98	99%	79%
The school is well led and managed.	98	100%	75%
I would like to help more with school events and activities.	89	78%	25%
We feel the school would respond to any concern that we have.	96	98%	66%
The school keeps me informed of my child's achievement and of events.	97	97%	57%
Yes – I would recommend this school to others.	96	98%	86%
We find the newsletter, texting service and website informative.	96	100%	86%



The KS2 children were treated to a workshop on the Royal Cornwall Show, Food and Farming caravan on Thursday. They learned lots about where our food comes from and how different aspects of farming and agriculture provide for our needs.