



# St Mary's Catholic School

Growing together in knowledge, faith and love

8th February  
2019

## Star of the Week



### Week 1

Reception	Leo
Class 1	Elsa
Class 2	Ellie
Class 3	Maddison
Class 4	Lottie
Class 5	Finley
Class 6	Ryan

### Week 2

Reception	
Class 1	Jazmyn
Class 2	Harper
Class 3	Jowan
Class 4	Leland
Class 5	Kiara
Class 6	Ruby

### English Experts

Class 1	Sadie
Class 2	Poppy
Class 3	Jowan
Class 4	Gustas
Class 5	Harry L
Class 6	Brianna

### Maths Masters

Class 1	Tallula
Class 2	Poppy
Class 3	Annabelle
Class 4	Deina
Class 5	Kayden
Class 6	Ryan

Dear All



I cannot believe that we are half way through the year already and I would like to thank you for your support so far this term. There have been a lot of school trips and events this term and we have more due, please do check our facebook site and our recent twitter page : @st\_penzance for photos.

We seem to have an increasing number of parents unsure of dates for events and trips. We always try where possible, to give notice ahead of time. This is through letters home, text messages, facebook, the school website calendar and the newsletter (which can also be obtained via our website). Please could you check your child's bag daily for any letters, these are given out at the end of the school day. As I am sure you can appreciate, we would like to keep the cost of paper down so do not want to send out reminder letters. We would really appreciate your support with this. Any letters that your child may have missed can be found in the foyer letter rack.

Next week we look forward to fundraising for the Heli Appeal on Thursday 14th February. More information on this can be found in this newsletter. I look forward to sampling some of the cakes!

I would like to wish you all a restful half term break and look forward to welcoming your children back to school on Tuesday 26th February.

Best wishes  
Demelza Bolton  
Headteacher

### INSET DAY

Reminder to parents that Monday 25th February is a school Inset day. School will be closed to children for the day.

## CLASS ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

The national figure for attendance is 96%

Reception		
Class 1	91.8	
Class 2	88.1	
Class 3	92.9	3rd
Class 4	96.6	2nd
Class 5	98.3	1st
Class 6	91.3	
Over all school attendance	93.93	

**Our school target is 96.5%**

## Penzance Cornish Language Weekend

### Trovyans Tresor Teylu Penzance

March 2nd 2019 11:00-1:00pm

Family treasure trail.

Everyone is invited to follow the treasure map around town, enjoy the window displays, answer simple questions in Cornish and collect stickers. A completed sticker card gets you a cakey tea.

Flyers for event to follow.

### **Vacancy**

We have a vacancy for a Year 3 class teacher maternity cover and a lifeguard. Please could you contact the school office if you are interested. 01736 330005

## World Book Day

World Book Day this year is on Thursday 7th March and we just wanted to share what we will be doing ahead of time. This year will be slightly different as we would like the children to understand why we have 'World Book Day'. We will be having a school theme for the whole week around Cornwall. Each class will have a Cornish book that they will be studying for the week. We would like the children to dress up as a character from their class book and we will make this as easy as possible for parents. A letter will be sent out at the beginning of next half term telling you the class book and characters. The week will include various workshops and storytelling events and will end with a scone and cream for all children.



### **Coffee Morning Drop In Group**

Do you need any help, support or advice about establishing routines with your children?

Sue Cripps, a family support worker, will be holding a drop-in session for parents on Friday 8th March at 2.30pm.

All are welcome and refreshments will be provided.

### Heli Appeal

Please remember on Thursday 14th is our Heli appeal non school uniform day donation of £1 please. We also have our bake off, make a cake and enter for £2. With prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

### Unwanted Shirts!

Any unwanted shirts, please could you send them into school to use as aprons for painting. We seem to be running short.

Thank you!

## PTA

**Your school Parent teachers**

**Association needs you! If you can help with the school PTA. Please contact the office for more information.**

## Dates for your Diary

### **FEBRUARY**

- Monday 18th - Friday 22nd Half Term
- Monday 25th INSET DAY - school is closed
- Tuesday 26th Children back to school

### **MARCH**

- Wed 6th 10:00 am Ash Wednesday Mass - in church. Parents welcome. Years 1-6
- Thurs 7th All day World Book Day
- Fri 8th 2.30pm Coffee drop in
- Thurs 28th 2:15 pm Lenten Reconciliation Service - in school. Parents welcome. Years 1-6

### **APRIL**

- Thurs 4th 9:30 am Passiontide Mass - in school. Parents welcome. Years 1-6
- Monday 8th - Monday 22nd Easter Holidays
- Tuesday 23rd Children back to school
- Thurs 25th 10.00 am Easter Mass - in church. Parents welcome. Years 1-6

### **MAY**

- Thurs 23th 9:30 am Mass of Our Lady - in school. Parents welcome. Years Reception—Year 6
- Monday 27th - Friday 31st Half Term

### **JUNE**

- Monday 3rd INSET DAY - school is closed
- Tuesday 4th Children back to school
- Thurs 20th 10:00 am English Saints Mass - in church. Parents welcome. Years Reception—Year 6

### **JULY**

- Thurs 25th 9:30 am Leavers' Mass - end of school year. Parents welcome. Years Reception—Year 6
- Thursday 25th Last day of school
- Friday 26th Start of Summer Holidays

# MBFDC - HOLIDAY CAMPS

## February Half Term 2019



### Dates

Wednesday 20th February - Multi Sports Camp (an array of fun sports available!)

Thursday 21st February - Football Camp

Friday 22nd February - Football Camp

### Tots: 4-6yrs

10am - 12pm

£6 per day, £10 for two days or £12 for three days

### Pros: 7-13yrs

10am - 3:30pm

£15 per day, £20 for two days or £30 for three days

### Venue

Mounts Bay Academy Sports Centre, Penzance, TR18 3JT

Come and have some fun with the MBFDC coaches during the school holidays, we welcome players from any school or sports / football club. Register & pay online or turn up on the day. For further info see the website...

[www.mbfdc.co.uk](http://www.mbfdc.co.uk)

### Contact

Kevin Lawrence - Head of Football Development

Mounts Bay Football Development Centre

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[klawrence@mountsbay.org](mailto:klawrence@mountsbay.org)



## FREE 'Magic Breakfast' for ALL Children!

We are very happy to announce that our fantastic, new free breakfast provision will start on March 4th! A delicious, healthy breakfast will soon be available every day, offering every child great fuel for learning.

**Research has shown that children who have a healthy breakfast achieve more at school – make sure your child doesn't miss out!**

A range of tasty food including cereals and top quality bagels will be on offer to all children, free of charge!

Parents will be invited to join their child during the week of March 4th. Keep a look-out for an invitation in your child's bag during the first week after half-term

### **Chartwells workshop**

On Tuesday 12th February Karen from chartwells our catering company is coming into school to do a healthy eating workshop with year 2 parents and children at 1.30 pm. All year 2 parents welcome to come and work with your

### **Stone age tool making**

Year 3 had a fabulous morning making and designing stone age tools as part of their topic. A special thanks to Kitty's mum who came in to show stone age artefacts which inspired us to make our own.



### House points

Newlyn— 216

St Ives—194

Mousehole—178

Sennen-169

Well done to Newlyn house who are this weeks leaders.