



ST IVES INFANT SCHOOL

SETTING SAIL FOR NEW HORIZONS

Newsletter 17th December 2020



St Ives Infant and Nursery School

<https://www.st-ives-inf.cornwall.sch.uk/web>

Key Dates

INSET DAYS 2020 - 2021

- February 8th 2021
- April 19th 2021
- July 23rd 2021

We break up for Christmas today (17th Dec) and return on the Monday 4th January.

Please refer to our school website and Facebook page for full term dates and general updates.

Important Covid Holiday Information

If your child or anyone in your household develops symptoms of Covid-19 then you need to isolate and book a test via the Government website <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

We are lucky to be supported by Rainbow MAT with Covid administration over the Christmas period. If your child tests positive for Covid 19 then please email covid@rainbowacademy.org.uk

There is also further guidance about keeping safe over Christmas from Cornwall Council which you can find on our website or Facebook page.

People who meet the criteria for Pupil Premium have been messaged regarding accessing their food voucher for the holidays. The government agreed to provide this support after a successful campaign by Marcus Rushford.

FOSIIS – Updates

Bags2School raised £75.

Thank you to everyone for their donations. Hopefully we will organise this again later in the school year.

Stationery Bags raised £100

Dawn Stevens, the chair of FOSIIS, was donated some stationery items which she bagged up into great sets to sell on Facebook. Thank you to Dawn for her hard work.

FOSIIS have also funded the purchasing of the books which children received today from 'Santa'. Thank you to our small, hardworking group of parents who are trying to find innovative ways to support school during these difficult times.

Please get in touch with school if you can help in any way. They are always looking for new members.

Look out for our new BIG fundraiser for playground equipment via our Go Fund me page.

Thank you...



Parents & Community

Thank you for supporting us with our Save the Children fundraising. Across our two fundraising days we raised £104.66, thanks to your donations.

We collected 13 Boxes for the Cornwall Christmas Box project which were collected by the Salvation Army yesterday. Thank you for your kind donations.

Salvation Army

We have received many Cornwall Christmas boxes from the Salvation Army to distribute to our families who may need a little help this Christmas. They have also supported us by providing Christmas presents too. We are very grateful for their support. These will be delivered out by Buddy and myself this weekend.

Thank you to Helen & Nathan two of our parents who continue to work hard for our community.

Carpark Carolling

I hope many of you were able to support more of our parents in the Carol Service at Tesco Carpark last Sunday. Rev Nick, and Claire Widdows, were supported by many other community members including the Salvation Army band, to try and share some Christmas joy and hope, in a very different way.

There is no getting away from the fact it was wet, very wet and if like me you were stood out in it you will have been drenched. However, it was very well attended and voices (and car horns) rang loud to share the enjoyment of the event. The rain definitely did not dampen any spirits. It was a lovely, uplifting evening.

Thank you to all involved in organising.

Stories by the Sea – Book shop

Thank you for their kind donation of a book advent for our school. The children have loved opening a new parcel every day and cannot wait to share the books across school.

Thank you Heather!

Final note...

We have had a fantastic, action packed, Christmas energy filled week, and were delighted our Reception bubble could re-join us on Tuesday. It has felt wonderful to have everyone back in school for the last few days.

Thank you to each and everyone of you in our school community. It has been a very challenging year so far for everyone and does not look like that may change quickly. We have all had to adapt our lives quite significantly and school has been no exception, with constant reviews and changes. The government likes to keep us all on our toes with last minute announcements via the media. It is so frustrating but I have been overwhelmed with the support and understanding – so thank you!

I know lots of us have lost loved ones this year and many are unable to see family and friends due to restrictions or circumstances. So, I do hope Christmas, and some together time with our families, brings everyone some joy and happiness. Hopefully we can enjoy the simple things and be very grateful.

I wish you all a very enjoyable and happy Christmas. I hope all you families stay safe and well.

We look forward to seeing you all in January.

Take Care

Mrs Farrar

