

**Autumn Term
Second Half**

Week 6

7th December 2018

NEWS



Dear Parents and Guardians,

There is a really Christmassy feel around school now! The nursery and reception class have a Santa workshop role play area, and Y1 and Y2 are storytelling using one of my favourite Christmas stories—'Jesus' Christmas Party'. Nessa class are learning Christmas Carols and songs for our Nativity performance.

We had a governors' visit yesterday, where three of our governors, the chair and two others, came to look at the school environment, and data. They were interested to see how we were using the space now that we have a nursery class. As two of them are St Cleer parents and governors, it was interesting for them to find out how a small school functions!

As there have recently been some conflicts between children in school, we are trialling a new approach to dealing with this, called 'Restorative Justice for Schools'. Mrs Godfrey is emailing a leaflet to you explaining this. It is a process of discussing, with children how and why relationships might have gone wrong and for building respect and empathy. I have started to work on it with some children from Nessa class and was very impressed and proud of their mature understanding of their own emotions, and desire to improve relationships in the class. The staff and I will be working hard to ensure that this approach is effective and continues to improve behaviour across the school.

Non Uniform Day

Wednesday 12 December 2018

Please can your child bring in a donation of a raffle prize instead of a contribution.

Attendance

Whole school: 94% so far this term.

As I'm sure you know, pupils need to attend school regularly to benefit from their education. Missing out on lessons leaves children vulnerable to falling behind.

After-School Club

Please note that due to staffing issues there will be no after school club available until after Christmas. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Children in Need—Friday 16th November

As a school we raised £110.00 for Children In Need—well done to everyone involved either in the preparation or in purchasing buns and cakes!



Please note that we have had to change the play practices on the 11th and 13th December to the afternoon. Please can you collect your child or children from the Church at 3.15pm instead of dropping off at 9am.

Breakfast Club and After School Child Care Club

Breakfast Club and After School club are available every day. Please ensure that you book this [the week before you need it](#). All information regarding these clubs is on the school website.

If your child is attending breakfast club please ensure that they are in school by 8.15am if they wish to have a breakfast as we are unable to provide breakfast after this time.

Please be aware that any cancellations must be given at least 48 hours in advance or unfortunately we will have to charge for the full session due to arranging staffing and purchasing food for these clubs.

This is due to ensuring staff costs are covered. Thanks for your understanding. In addition to this, please could we ask that you collect your child at the agreed time.

Many thanks for your co-operation.

Congratulations to Caya-Rose on her two recent competitions which are the first time she has competed—well done Caya-Rose!



Family holidays and days out

Please do not book family holidays in term time. The school now has a policy of enforcing this very strictly, in accordance with government rules. If this is done without consultation with the school, you could be fined for unauthorised absence.

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Visible Learning

Children can request stickers if they have think they have shown these learning behaviours:

A good learner :

Perseveres – doesn't give up –



tries



hard

Is motivated and curious – asks



questions

Understands what they are learning

Knows what to do when



they



are stuck

Focuses and Notices

Collaborates with others



Tuesday	11th December	Parents to collect at Blisland Church after the Nativity practice	3.15pm
Wednesday	12th December	Non uniform day with a donation of a raffle prize Caterlink Christmas Lunch	12pm
Thursday	13th December	Parents to collect children at Blisland Church at 3.15pm	3.15pm
Friday	14th December	Christmas Nativity Play in the church followed by Carols around the tree, raffle and refreshments at 6pm	5pm
Tuesday	18th December	Nessa class carol singing at Trago Mills	2pm
Wednesday	19th December	Children's Christmas Party in the Village Hall. Parents to collect from the Village Hall at 3.15	1.15pm
Thursday	20th December	Last day of term	
Friday	18th January	The Gingerbread Man, Theatre Royal, Plymouth for Years 1 and 2	1.30pm
Thursday	7th February	KS2 trip to the Theatre Royal to see Matilda	pm
Monday	11th March to 13th March	KS2 Residential trip to Bristol	
Monday	29th April	Swimming until the 15th July	

DIARY DATES

Inset Days 2018-19

Monday 25th February 2019

Friday 7th June 2019

Thursday 25th July 2019

School Times

Please ensure that your children arrive at school for registration between 8.40am and 9am and are collected at 3.15pm unless they are registered at an after school club.

School doors open at 8.40am unless your child is booked into Breakfast Club.

All children in the Infant class must be brought into the classroom in the mornings, even if they are late. Children of this age must never be dropped at the gate on their own. Please walk up the steps and bring