

Autumn Term  
Week 6

19th October  
2018

NEWS



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you to everybody for supporting your children's learning this half-term. I have been looking at the children's books, and can see good progress, particularly with their writing. Mrs Halls class have really enjoyed their topic, and are just finishing their 'Urgent Message' stories for the Trafalgar Way competition.

Our nursery has completed its first half-term of taking two-year-olds, and it was a great pleasure to listen to their story-telling this morning! There were a large number of animals involved: hedgehogs, elephants, horses, sheep and a crocodile!

I hope you all have a good rest over half-term.

Best wishes,

Sarah Hawker

#### Computer Games and Internet Safety

Staff have noticed that many children are playing quite violent computer games at home. This is having an effect on their behavior and conversation topics in school.

Please check the age advice regarding games your children play: for example, Fortnite is not recommended for children under the age of 12, due to its violent subject matter. For more information see this website: <https://parentzone.org.uk/article/fortnite-everything-you-need-know-about-online-game>

#### After-School Club

For various reasons we are having to make a small change to the timings of our After-school provision. This will be available until 5.15pm on Mondays and Tuesdays, but only until 4.15pm on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

#### Halloween Party

Although there is no school Halloween party this year, there will be a village event in the Village Hall, on 31st October. Please see the posters around the village for more information. There is also a poster attached to this newsletter.



#### Stars of the Week:

**Kensa Class:** Isla-Rose for working extra hard to catch up after being off school ill.

**Nessa Class:** Maisy for working hard on her dragon slayer story



### 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.

### **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

### Achievement Assembly

Achivement assembly will be on a Monday after half term, the first being on the 5th November for Reception. There will be

### Staff Responsibilities

Mrs Hawker will be in school on a Tuesday and a Thursday, most weeks. When Mrs Hawker is not available, the most senior member of staff, should you need to contact somebody, will be Mrs Harrison on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, or Mrs Halls on a Thursday or Friday.

Mrs Hawker is always contactable by email, and will make every effort to reply to enquiries the same day.

### Executive Headteacher

Mrs Rebecca Barker-Brown is our Executive Headteacher from September 2018.

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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



Friday	19th October	School Council and Celebration Assembly for Year 1 (parents of these children are invited to attend)	2.45pm
Monday	22nd October	Half term	
Monday	29th October	Inset Day	
Wednesday	31st October	Year 5—Junior Life Skills—packed lunch needed	
Monday	5th November	School Council and Celebration Assembly for Reception (parents of these children are invited to attend)	2.45pm
Monday	5th November	School photos—children with siblings at 8.30am and portraits at 9am	8.30am and 9am
Tuesday	6th November	Parents evening—KS1 1pm to 6pm KS2—3.15pm to 6pm	1pm and 3.15pm
Thursday	8th November	Parents Evening KS2 3.15pm to 6pm	3.15pm
Friday	16th November	NHS—Nasal flu	9am
Thursday	22nd October	Hearing tests for Year 1	1pm
Wednesday	12th December	Caterlink Christmas Lunch	12pm
Thursday	13th December	Parents to drop children at Blisland Church at 9am for a practice	9am
Friday	14th December	Christmas Nativity Play in the church followed by Carols around the tree	5pm
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