Happy Friday!

This week has seen our extra-curricular clubs starting up again. It is great to see so many children getting stuck into these activities. We feel it is so important for children to have the opportunity to experience a wide range of activities promoting good health, wellbeing and creativity as well as FUN!

In addition, we offer a number of musical instrument lessons in school. Please ask at our office for further details about how you can access these. More details of subsidised funding follow in this newsletter.

Thank you for all your sponsorship money for our 'Zumbathon'! The money raised is going to an extremely good cause. We will keep you posted about how this money has been put to good use by St John's in Tanzania.

Don't forget...the photographer is in on Wednesday. I'm looking forward to seeing smartest uniform, neatest hair and brightest smiles!

Have a great weekend! Debbie Carmichael

Online Safety update

Recent research show that almost 40% of 3-4 year olds and two thirds of 5-7 year olds go online! It is important that our youngest



children to make sure that children are supported in their internet use right from the start. **ChildNet** has prepared a guide for the parents of under-7s to help them think about the issues involved. http://www.childnet.com/ufiles/Keeping-Under-Fives-Safe-Online.pdf

Keeping Children Safe Online (for parents) (NSPCC) The NSPCC have drawn together lots of advice for parents, including Being Share Aware, MineCraft Safety Advice, and how to stay safe using apps. The information can be found here: https://www.nspcc.org.uk/what-we-do/about-us/partners/nspcc-o2-online-safety-partnership/

Parents' Online Safety Helpline (NSPCC) Parents can also contact the free NSPCC Online Safety Helpline with questions about parental controls or concerns about a social network their children are using on 0808 8005002

<u>Harvest Festival Service—2nd October</u>

The children will be participating in a special Harvest Service at school. If you are able to donate any tins or dried food, it would be greatly appreciated by St Austell Food Bank. Please bring them into school on Monday 2nd October

Suggested items to donate:

Cereal Sugar Pasta

Soup Coffee Pasta sauce

Beans Tea Rice

Dried Noodles Biscuits Tinned meat

Tinned veg

Subsidised Music Lessons...Find out more...

Did you know....?

Free or subsidised instrumental tuition is offered to pupils if you qualify for any of the following

Your child has Free School Meals (Universal not included)

One or more parents/carers in the household are currently serving in the **British Armed Forces**

A Parent/carer in the child's household/child is in receipt of Disability Living Allowance (Personal Independence Payment)



Autumn Term Diary Dates:

Individual Photo's—27th September Harvest Communion—2nd October at 2pm Parent Forum—12th October at 2pm Year 1 Hearing test—13th October Open morning—18th October National Bug Busting Day—31st October Flu vaccinations (Yr,1,2,3 & 4) - 8th November Year 6 Swimming—9th November We hold a Baby/Toddler group here at school every Wednesday from 1.45pm—3pm.





at the school office.

Secondary School Applications - Children in year 6 will soon receive a leaflet for school admissions in September 2018. The online application system is now open and detailed information about the admissions process is available online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions or on request from the School Admissions Team.

When completing your application, please ensure you identify more than one preference. This WILL NOT lessen the chance of securing a place at their preferred school.

If you need support with the application process, please speak to our office staff or PSA or you can contact the Family Information Service (0800 587 8191) or School Admissions Team (0300 1234 101).

Applying for a reception place for September 2018 - If your child was born between 1 September 2013 and 31 August 2014 you will need to apply for a reception class place. Please visit www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions to complete the online application form. This will need to be completed by 15th January 2018. Please note that attending a school's nursery does **not** guarantee your child a place at the school—you still need to apply.



Parent Support Advisor- Tamsin Parry

What is a Parent Support Advisor?

As a Parent Support Advisor (PSA), I am here to help, support and advise parents and carers who have any worries or concerns about their children, school life or personal circumstances. I offer the promise of a listening ear, appropriate support and signposting for those in need.

What could a PSA help me with?

- Children moving to another school
- Supporting parents in meetings at school
- Providing advice and supporting parents with children's behavioural/additional needs
- Signposting and supporting parents engaging with external agencies
- Liaising with parents and children to resolve attendance issues
- Any other issue you may have that requires additional support

Why might you need to use the PSA?

My child is having difficulties settling in at school... My child is anxious about school... My child's behaviour is difficult to control... I am worried about my child starting school... I just need someone I can talk to... I'm really worried about my son/daughter's selfesteem... I would like to know who else I could talk to about my situation...

How do I contact the PSA?

Call the school to make an appointment

Call the PSA mobile phone directly - 07903 613 074

Pop in for an informal chat; my usual working days are Monday, Tuesday and Thursday

	School attendance by classes.	Little Doves	94.07%	No of lates
	Government guidelines state that attendance should be	Little Fish	98.52%	2
	96.1%. With BB's current attendance at 95.97%, we are already behind target: 13 'lates' have also been recorded	Little Lambs	94.07%	0
	on registers this week. We ask for your support in ensuring that your child attends school promptly,	Peacocks	99.62%	2
	between 8.45am and 8.55am each morning, and days off	Phoenix	96.67%	2
	are used as a very last resort!	Pelicans	95.22%	1
	Please ensure your child only takes time off for medical reasons. If they are unwell and absent from school please	Angels	93.1%	4
	call the office on 01726 64322, as this could result in an unauthorised absence if no reason is given.	Faith	98.47%	0
•	Many Thanks	Норе	94.3%	2
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