



ST PIRAN'S  
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MULTI-ACADEMY TRUST

"Learning that lasts a lifetime"

## Newsletter

Scholastic **Half Price** Book Fair to be held on Thursday 30th November at 3.15pm

We are pleased to note that the Class Dojo system is working really well—it means you get to know about positive behaviour seen in school which you can then praise at home. In addition, it is providing an informal 2-way communication method to share information and reminders. **Please be aware that class teachers may not be able to respond straight away and we cannot guarantee a same day response.** If you feel you need to discuss an ongoing matter of concern, it may be best to arrange a meeting with the class teacher, which you can arrange via the school office, via Dojo or with the class teacher direct. Please can you address these concerns at the end of the school day when the class teacher has the time to speak to you properly?

**Please note Dojo should NOT be used to inform us of absences or illness; early collection; collection by another adult or to arrange administration of medicines.**

**A polite reminder.** - Our wraparound care is a book and pay system through Parentpay only. If you have not been able to book, you will need to call the school office on 01726 64322. We realise there are some circumstances when an emergency may arise and the school will support these odd occasions, although payment will need to be made straight away after the booking. You will no longer be able to use the facility unless this is booked and paid for in advance and the school is unable to offer any credit facilities.

**Anti-Bullying week**—Last week was Anti-Bullying week which this year promoted difference and equality with the tag line, 'All Different. All Unique.' During our Monday Collective Worship, we celebrated what makes the children and others at BB special and unique. We had so many fantastic ideas. Kai-Li in Hope Class said, 'I am unique because all of my family were born in China but I was born in the UK.' Throughout the week, each class spent an afternoon carrying out different arty activities which will be used to update the hall display, providing an ongoing reminder of this important message.

### Run like a Hero!

Next Wednesday, our heroes of LKS2 will be holding their fun run to raise money for Shelter Box. All children across the school will be completing a 1km run throughout the day. Please ensure your child's PE kit is in school on this day. (School uniform to be worn into school). LKS2 will be selling fruit and flavoured water at playtime for 50p each.



A justgiving page has been set up here: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundrasising/bbsuperherorun>

Alternatively, donations can be given to your class teacher.

Many thanks, The Children and Staff of LKS2.

### Polite request...

It has been brought to our attention by a local resident that some parents are sitting in their cars for some time in the morning with their engines running. I am sure this is to keep yourselves warm in this colder weather. However, we have been asked to remind you of the harm that car exhaust fumes can cause. Car pollution is a major cause of damage to the environment and emissions from car exhausts contain a range of toxic substances, which can lead to respiratory diseases, anaemia and cancer. Please help protect the health of our children by turning your engines off whilst waiting for any period of time. Many thanks.



### **Autumn Term Diary Dates:**

**Rainbows trip to Wheal Martyn—28th November**

**Run like a Hero—29th November**

**Scholastic 1/2 price book fair—30th November**

**Surprise Christmas Treat for the children—1st December**

**Secret Santa Day—5th December**

**Advent Communion—7th December**

**St Luke's Christmas Fair—9th December**

**EYFS Christmas Nativity—11th December 10am & 2.30pm**

**KS1 Christmas Play—12th December 10am & 2.30pm**

**Christmas Lunch—13th December**

**Christmas Carol Service—13th December 5pm**

**LKS2 Christmas Play—14th December 10am & 2.30pm**

**UKS2 Christmas Play—15th December 10am & 2.30pm**

**Christmas Jumper Day—15th December**

**End of Autumn Term—20th December, school finishes at 3.15pm, no BBKids will be running.**

**The Last Baby/Toddler group will be held on Wednesday 29th November.**



### **STAFF VACANCY**

Celtic Cross Education would like to recruit an enthusiastic and dedicated Maintenance Operative to work across the schools in the Trust. The post will commence on 1st January 2018.

Celtic Cross Education is a new Trust which has been formed from The Saints' Way and St Piran's Cross and currently is made up of eleven primary schools. The schools within the Trust are St Petrocs, St Michaels, St Maby, St Tudy, Lerryn, St Winnow, Bishop Bronescombe, Grampound Road, Grampound with Creed, Ladock and Verran. The post will commence on 1st January 2018.

You will be required to work 37 hours per week for 52 weeks per year with holiday entitlement. You could be required to travel to any of the Trust's schools but this role is likely to see you regularly supporting at least 5 schools. A van and mobile phone will be provided.

The successful applicant will be well organised, flexible and have excellent communication skills. The person will be required to communicate well with pupils, staff, parents and other contractors in a calm and professional manner and work closely with other premises staff as and when required. A flexible, committed and adaptable individual is required to fully meet the needs of this demanding role. Ideally the candidate will have experience of the construction industry and/or grounds maintenance. The postholder must have a full driving licence.

The closing date is Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November.

All application forms need to be either emailed to [hr@thesaintsaway.org](mailto:hr@thesaintsaway.org) or posted to: Mrs Z Rowe, Celtic Cross Education, 1-3 Omaha Road, Bodmin, Cornwall, PL31 1ER

For further information or a full Job Description, Person Specification and application form available from Zoe Rowe on 01208 590150 or [hr@thesaintsaway.org](mailto:hr@thesaintsaway.org).

### **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](http://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.

# ATTENDANCE

## School attendance by classes.

Government guidelines state that attendance should be 96.1%.

Please ensure your child only takes time off for medical reasons. If they are unwell and absent from school please call the office on 01726 64322, as this could result in an unauthorised absence if no reason is given.

Please note Reception children have not been included in our attendance report due to not being of statutory school age, this will be subject to change in the Spring Term.

### DID YOU KNOW.....?

Being 10 minutes late every day means your child misses 32 hours of lesson time each year. This is equivalent to 6 whole school days lost out of class per year!

Just 1 day off each week means 2 months of lost education; that's 7.5 weeks, or a whole half term of missed lessons!

Classes	%	No of lates
Little Doves	89.3	1
Little Fish	92.62	0
Little Lambs	92.65	0
Peacocks	94.46	2
Phoenix	98.47	0
Pelicans	93.94	1
Angels	100	3
Faith	98.47	0
Hope	98.52	0
Total	95.5	7

We're happy to report our continued attempts at raising the importance of positive attendance with pupils and have put the following in place:

For the class achieving the highest attendance each week, a Friday 'Popcorn Pass' will be granted. This involves an hour's treat of a film and popcorn to munch on! Here are the winners from this week..... **ANGELS WITH 100%**

For the individual children achieving 100% attendance throughout the week, their names will be put into a draw. Two names will be drawn and a small prize will be given to the winners.

Our current whole school attendance stands at 96%, a percentage that is in line with government expectations. Thank you for all your support in ensuring the positive attendance of your child and keeping school informed of any illness or absence.

We celebrated a fantastic week of attendance last week in celebration assembly. Thanks for all your efforts in ensuring your child attends school daily.

Our half termly meeting with the Education Welfare Officer took place this week. We spoke about initiatives put in place, following her recommendation, and the positive impact this was already having on attendance. We will continue to work with the service to identify families who need support with unauthorised absences and attendance below national expectations. Our current whole school percentage is in line with the national expectations at 96%.

A reminder—if your child will not be in school, it is important that you call and give a reason for their absence. Unexplained absences will be recorded as unauthorised after 3 days.





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