

NEWSLETTER ISSUE 15: 5th May 2017

Dear Parents,

Once again the St Mary's golfer/non golfer event was a huge success. There was a fantastic turnout even with rain threatening. God was smiling on us as it stopped raining just as the first golfers were going out on the course. First prize went to Kate and Angus McCarthur with 22 points, 2nd Lucy and Louie Draycott, 3rd Carl Charman and James Dempsey. The day was finalised by a wonderful buffet prepared by Falmouth Golf Club.

I would like to thank Theresa Brierley who organised the whole event, raising over £1,500 towards school funds. This figure could increase with match funding from Joanne Van Reijn of Santander. The school would also like to thank everyone who took part and especially those who sponsored a hole or donated raffle prizes (details below). We say farewell to Lucy Woodman, one of our hardworking lunchtime supervisors and thank her for her commitment to our school. We wish her well in her new venture.

Warm regards

Jacqui Scarborough

DIARY DATES

May

8 th	KS2 SATs Week
11 th	Class 4 to Truro Museum
12 th	May Procession at St Mary's School @ 2.30pm
15 th	Team & Class Photographs
16 th	Sports Day from 1:30pm
17 th -19 th	Porthpean Residential for Year 6
17 th	Classes 5 & 3 Mass
18 th	Class 4 to Chysauster
19 th	FOSMs -Copper Coin Trail from 2:30pm
24 th	New Parents Meeting @ 6:00pm
26 th	School closed- RE INSET Day
29 th -2 nd June	Half Term

June

6 th	Parent Consultation Meetings
8 th	Parent Consultation Meetings
12 th	Reception Class to Trelissick Gardens
15 th	New Reception children - Induction afternoon 1.30-2.30pm
19 th -21 st	Joe Morretti - (Apple Distinguished Trainer) visit
19 -23 rd	Diversity Week
19 th	Sikhism day with Daya for KS2
20 th	New Reception children - Induction afternoon 1.30-2.30pm
22 nd	Penryn College Induction Day for Year 6 leavers
26 th	African Drumming Workshop and Assembly
28 th	New Reception children - Induction afternoon 1.30-2.30pm
30 th	FOSMs Summer Fayre from 3:30pm

July

13 th	Classes 5/6 Performance @ 1:30 & 6:30pm
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Advance notice of INSET Days for the Academic Year 2017-18

4 th September 2017
20 th October 2017
3 rd November 2017
19 th February 2018
23 rd July 2018
24 th July 2018

(Dates are given in good faith but may be subject to change and advance notice will be given of any changes.

FOSMS News

The next FOSMs meeting takes place on Wednesday 17th May at 6:30pm at the Gyllynvase House Hotel. If you can help in any way or have any great ideas to support our fundraising efforts we'd love to see you there.

Mark Your Calendars! Exciting Upcoming Events from FOSMs

Friday 19th May: Copper Coin Trail Competition at School

Please keep collecting 1p and 2p coins and don't forget to bring them into school on the 19th May. Classes will compete to make the longest trail of coins and measure their efforts. The winning class will get a special treat as a prize and we'll photograph the event for the school website. The coins will then be collected as a donation to FOSMs.

Friday 30th June: St. Mary's 2017 Summer Fayre

We are busy planning this year's Summer Fayre and urgently need volunteers to help on the day. If you could spare some time to help set up; clear up or run a stall, please email Emma Lower on emma@gyllynvase.co.uk.

We also need raffle prizes! If you have a business and could donate a voucher or have anything else suitable to offer, we would love to hear from you.

Attendance and Punctuality

Many thanks for getting your child/ren to school every day and on time. A small minority of families however continue to arrive late. Arriving late to class in the morning disrupts learning and causes unnecessary disruption to other class members. Your co-operation to ensure your child arrives on time to school is essential.

Pupils whose attendance has slipped below 90% are referred to as **Persistent Absentees**. If there isn't a very genuine reason as to why your child's attendance has fallen below this threshold, the school and our Education Welfare Officer will be following up with home visits and very close monitoring of attendance patterns.

Please be reminded that holidays taken in term time will not be authorised. Only exceptional circumstances and reasons for absence will be authorized. These attendance expectations are set by the government and not by the school. Thank you for your continued support in this very important matter.

Sporting News

Basket Ball Success

Congratulations to the St Mary's School basketball squad who have qualified for the Cornwall Games which will take place later this term. They played magnificently and were undefeated in the seven matches played. Well done to Harry, Billy, Tom, Neo, Imogen, Erin, Alex and James.



Golf/Non Golfer Event- Thanks to Sponsors!

Holes 1 to 11 were sponsored by;

- **WATSON MARLOW** courtesy of Kate Webb
- **MC SPORTS** courtesy of Mike Christophers
- **COSTCUTTER PENRYN** courtesy of the McCabe family
- **CO-OP** Boslowick
- **GYLLYNGVASE HOUSE HOTEL** courtesy of Emma Lawrence, Henry's Mum
- **PENROSE CAMPING AND LEISURE** courtesy of the Snell family
- **GARY WAKELY**, Owen's Dad
- **TOWN HOUSE** courtesy of the O'Sullivan family
- **GLYN CHURCHER BUILDER** courtesy of the Churcher family
- **COVER VALLEY ROTARY** courtesy of Rachel Curnow
- **KERNOW KING**, Percy's Dad

Raffle prizes were made available as follows;

- **TREBAH GARDEN** entry and cream tea arranged by Tracy Campbell, Harry's Mum
- £25 voucher for **HARBOUR LIGHTS** arranged by Bonnie Mockett, Jasmine and Hoby's Mum
- £25 voucher for **THE SHED** arranged by Theresa Brierley
- **BOSLOWICK BARBERS** vouchers donated by Sarelle McCann
- Hair cut and style at **NV HAIRDRESSERS** donated by Nikki Jones, Aiden and Sophie's Mum
- **BOOTS JOJO MAMAM BEBE** bag arranged by Emma Grimshaw, Harrison's Mum
- **WINE** courtesy of Claire Churcher's Mum

Parking

Please remember the cul de sac is closed to vehicles at the beginning and end of the school day. This is to ensure the safety of your children. It has been noted and reported that certain vehicles are still entering the cul de sac on a regular basis and parking irresponsibly. Your support in this matter is greatly appreciated and thanks to all those parents who park away from the school.

Don't forget the Walking Bus starting from the Co-Op at the bottom of Mongleath Road runs every morning.

Slip, Slap Slop!

With the warm sunny weather, it is really important that the children apply sunscreen and wear a school cap during the lunchtime period and also on trips.

SATs Tests- Class 6

National SATs week for Year 6 pupils across the country begins on Monday 8th May. Class 6 have worked extremely hard throughout the year and it is really important that they are in school next week for these tests.

Class 2 will also be completing tests this year during the week beginning the 15th May, which will contribute to their teacher assessment. Again, it is important that they are in school every day during this week. Many thanks for your co-operation in this matter.

Request from The Cornwall College Group

I am the Accommodation Development Officer and my role is to build up a list of suitable accommodation for students on all our sites but there is a particular need for accommodation for our FE students studying at Falmouth Marine School.

As a college we facilitate and provide a list of accommodation for students and any contracts entered are between the landlord and the student.

Once a property becomes available it is advertised on my Facebook page - Cornwall College - HE Accommodation and also on the relevant campus Facebook page for students (the individual campus Facebook pages are closed pages for students who have applied for a course with us). Additionally details are added to the accommodation list that is advertised on the Cornwall College website as below.

<https://www.cornwall.ac.uk/student-support/accommodation/>

Plymouth Diocese Summer Camps

Summer camps at Buckfast Abbey are taking place during the Summer holidays. If you are interested, please go to www.pdsommmercamps.org.uk for more information.



[Please note that signposting to any activities/services by St Mary's School does not constitute an endorsement or recommendation. It is recommended that parents/carers make their own enquiries to satisfy themselves as to the suitability of these. Under no circumstances will either St Mary's School or Plymouth CAST accept any responsibility or liability for any such activities/services]