

## NEWSLETTER ISSUE 17: 9<sup>th</sup> June 2017

Dear Parents,

On Sunday **11<sup>th</sup> June**, eleven pupils from Class 3 will be making their **First Holy Communion** at the **10:45am Mass at St Mary's Church on Killigrew Street**. We warmly invite you all to this celebration and would like to see as many of our pupils attending to support these children and represent their school. Please do your best to join us for this special parish school celebration.

Warm regards

Jacqui Scarborough

### Diary Dates

#### **June**

11 <sup>th</sup>	First Holy Communion Mass @ 10:45am @ St Mary's Church
12 <sup>th</sup>	Reception Class Trip to Trelissick Gardens
13 <sup>th</sup>	STEM Workshop for Classes 4 & 5 Parents Consultation Evenings
14 <sup>th</sup>	Reception Class Celebration @ 9:15am
15 <sup>th</sup>	Induction Session for Reception @ 1.30pm
16 <sup>th</sup>	Class 2 to Eden Project Class 1 Trip to Falmouth Art Gallery Class 5 Trip to Truro Museum
19 <sup>th</sup> -21 <sup>st</sup>	FOSMs Dress Down Day for Summer Fayre donations - Hampers Joe Morretti - (Apple Distinguished Trainer) visiting all classes
19-23 <sup>rd</sup>	Diversity Week
19 <sup>th</sup>	Sikhism day with Daya for KS2
20 <sup>th</sup>	Violin demonstration for Yrs 2-5 @ 9.10am Induction Session for new Reception
21 <sup>st</sup>	Kurious Kritters workshop - Class 2
23 <sup>rd</sup>	FOSMs Dress Down Day for Summer Fayre donations - Tombola
26 <sup>th</sup>	African Drumming Workshop for Class 4
27 <sup>th</sup>	Falmouth Library Reading Challenge Assembly
28 <sup>th</sup>	Induction Session for new Reception
30 <sup>th</sup>	FOSMS Dress Down Day for Summer Fayre donations -Cakes FOSMs Summer Fayre from 3:30pm

#### **July**

6 <sup>th</sup>	Induction Session for new Reception 2 <sup>nd</sup> Induction Meeting for Parents of new Reception @ 6:00pm
11 <sup>th</sup>	Teddy Bears' Picnic for new Reception Class
13 <sup>th</sup>	Classes 5/6 Performance @ 1:30 & 6:30pm
14 <sup>th</sup>	Class 6 Leave St Mary's @ 3:30pm
18 <sup>th</sup>	Workshop for KS1 'Magical Mindfulness'
20 <sup>th</sup>	Music Concert
21 <sup>st</sup>	Break up for Summer Holidays @ 1:30pm

#### **Advance notice of INSET Days for the Academic Year 2017-18**

4<sup>th</sup> September 2017  
20<sup>th</sup> October 2017  
3<sup>rd</sup> November 2017  
19<sup>th</sup> February 2018  
23<sup>rd</sup> July 2018  
24<sup>th</sup> July 2018

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

**Please note, if you can't access the newsletter electronically, you will need to inform the School office staff at the beginning of the new academic year in September as we're going paperless.**

### **FOSMS News**

#### **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June: St. Mary's 2017 Summer Fayre**

This year's Summer Fayre is going to be packed with new stalls, new attractions, an AMAZING raffle and lots of new competitions and challenges for children and grownups. Mark your calendars and save the date! Can you donate a raffle prize?

#### **Coin Trail**

Class 1 were the worthy winners of the best design and the Reception Class collected the most money.



A total of £337.58 was raised for the school. A big thankyou to our hardworking FOSMs for organising the event.

#### **Parent Consultation Meetings 13<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> June**

If you feel that you are sufficiently informed about your child's progress and are happy to just receive a written report before the end of term, please let your child's class teacher know as soon as possible. We make every effort to accommodate parents who have more than one child in the school so that their meetings are on the same evening. It would be very helpful if you are not planning on attending to let us know as soon as possible.

#### **Parent Pay**

In response to many requests from parents, we will be introducing a new system in September to pay for school lunches and swimming lessons. Further details will follow later in the term explaining the process.

#### **Sporting News**

We enjoyed a glorious sports day with beautiful sunny weather. The results were as follows;-

1<sup>st</sup> Yellow Team - 258 points

2<sup>nd</sup> Green Team - 255

3<sup>rd</sup> Red Team - 231

4<sup>th</sup> Blue team - 188

The team captains gave rousing speeches, encouraging their team to do their very best. Congratulations to the yellow team! Many thanks to the staff for ensuring a seamless and enjoyable afternoon of sport and in particular thanks to Mrs Mills, our PE Sports Leader.

#### **50<sup>th</sup> Celebration for St Mary's School**

In the Autumn Term 2017 we will be celebrating 50 years on our current school site. Plans are already afoot to mark this special occasion in the history of St Mary's School. Gareth Churcher (Parent Governor), FOSMs and Mrs Scarborough (ex pupil who transferred to the new school site on Mongleath Rd in 1967!) are involved in the planning and we are looking for anyone who would like to join the working party or has something to offer to mark the occasion. Please let us know.

### **Young Writers**

Pupils from Class 5 entered a competition to write mini sagas around the title of 'Crazy Creatures'. We're delighted that a number of mini sagas written by St Mary's pupils have been selected for publication. Well done to:-

<b>Phoebe Devery</b>	The Missing Power
<b>Sennen Austin Smith</b>	Lamorie's Nightmare
<b>Robert Springfield</b>	Untitled
<b>Mia Winans</b>	Bobo And The Missing Eye
<b>Grace Pennock</b>	Cutella And Her Brother's Sense
<b>Keira Longstaff</b>	Uglebug And The Human
<b>Alfred Browning</b>	Megeg And Evil Earth
<b>Ginger Doyle</b>	A Flight Through Space
<b>Ruby-Mai Davies</b>	Ruby-Mai's Story
<b>Isabella Caskey</b>	The Blobs Crash Their Ship
<b>Mya Burden</b>	Tinker Troll And The Magical Fairies
<b>Ffion Currie</b>	Zifpy's Great Win!
<b>Amelia Cummins</b>	The Doctor's

### **Hustings**

Class 5 delivered passionate and well informed speeches about what they would do and their ideas if elected. Every child in the school then had an opportunity to vote for the party whose ideas they favoured the most. They placed their votes in the ballot box throughout the day which were counted this morning. I'm pleased to announce the winning party were the Labour party led by Ginger.

*This was a wonderful way for our pupils to learn about British values and in particular the democratic process. Thanks to Mr Boyes who organised this successful event.*

### **Parent Governor- Gareth Churcher**

Congratulations to Gareth Churcher ( Parent Governor at St Mary's) for his outstanding contribution to the 'spirit of Cornwall'. Gareth, the head of Cornwall Music Service Trust, is to be awarded the Trelawny Plate next month in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the county. Gareth is a renowned musician, composer and conductor.



### **Pupil of the Month**

Cornwall Music Service Trust pupil of the month!  
Congratulations to Borja Arbones who has been awarded 'Pupil of the month' for his achievements in playing the cornet. Fantastic news!

### **Ipad Parent Session (letter to follow)**

Joe Moretti will be running an information session for parents on Monday 19th June at 3.30pm.

The session will focus on the app 'Showbie'. This is an app that is used in all classes across the school. In this session you will be introduced to the parent access features within Showbie. When Parents sign up for a Showbie account they are more able to stay informed about their child's learning and progress. With a Showbie parent account you will be able to view any work and feedback that is added to your child's Showbie account. Parents also have the ability to view classwork and homework tasks and receive communication from the school. Having access to this information will enable you as parents a bigger and more vivid picture of your child's learning in the classroom.

### **After School Clubs**

Due to the Parent's Consultation Evenings the only clubs running next week are as follows:  
*Athletics Club on Monday (weather permitting) and Drama Club on Friday.*

### **National Learn to Play Day**

Trevada Music's Camborne store will once again be taking part in this event on Saturday 24th June. They will be offering free taster lessons in our store throughout the day.

Lessons are available to adults and children of any age with the chance to try Guitar, Violin, Piano, Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Oboe, Bassoon, Trumpet, Cornet, Flugel Horn, Tenor Horn, Baritone Horn, Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba and Drums!! Instruments will be provided where needed. They are also offering vocal lessons for budding singers.

If you or anyone you know has ever wanted to have a go at a particular instrument then here is your chance to try for FREE with a qualified tutor.

Please book your slot early to avoid disappointment by calling 01209 714353 with your chosen instrument and your contact details.

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