



ST FRANCIS C OF E VA SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and carers,

I simply can't believe it is time for the last newsletter of 2019, and that when we come back to school we will be at the beginning of a new decade! Time flies when you are busy! And we have certainly enjoyed a busy, yet fantastic and hugely successful Autumn term. The children have made great progress, showed good enthusiasm with their learning and enjoyed many trips and visitors. It was a joy to read their highlights of the Autumn Term on their end of term reports. Also, a huge thank you to all who took the time to complete our parent questionnaires – the results were overwhelmingly positive, and once they have been fully analysed these will be shared in the New Year.

This week's highlight for me was the Year 5 and Year 6 Christmas Carol Service which took place at All Saints Church on Monday. The church was once again full to absolute capacity and the children did us all proud with their confident reading, singing and dancing. It was the perfect round off to all of our Christmas performances and I am finishing the term as a very proud Headteacher of such a talented, warm and inclusive school.

I would like to say thank you for all your continued support and help over the last year and I look forward to seeing you all in 2020, where I am confident that St Francis will continue to build on its many strengths.

Wishing you all a very merry Christmas and best wishes for the New Year.

Hannah Stevens - Headteacher

Medical Appointments

Thank you for making the effort to ensure your child's routine medical appointments are taken out of school hours.

Can we remind you that if your child needs to attend a hospital, doctors or dentist appointment, they are expected to return to school or attend prior to the appointment? If this is not possible, please phone the school and leave a message on the absence line.

PLEASE!!
NOTE

School Money

Reminder!

In the New Year – if a school lunch has not been ordered, we will assume your child is having a packed lunch. All school lunches, regardless of if you pay or are entitled to free school meals, needs to be booked online. If anyone is still having issues logging on, please let the office know as soon as possible. Also any wrap around care and dinner money debt must be paid as soon as possible.

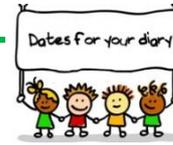
PAFC After School Clubs

Letters have been sent to children in years 1-6 regarding Plymouth Argyle Football clubs, which will begin in the Spring term. Girl's football will begin on Monday 13th January and boy's will be Thursday 16th January. Completed forms and money are to be handed to the office. Spaces are limited and will be given on a first come, first serve basis.



Spring Term Parent Assemblies

Friday 17th Jan Class E (Frogs) 9am
Friday 24th Jan Class D (Lambs) 9am
Friday 31st Jan Class C (Piglets) 9am
Friday 7th Feb Class B (Chicks) 9am
Friday 14th Feb Class A (Ducklings) 9am



Our next Reading Cafe!

Parents of children in LKS2 (**Classes G, H, I & J**) are invited to our next Reading Cafe. Please come along at 2pm on Friday, 31st January to read with your child whilst enjoying a cup of tea or coffee and cake. We will have a lovely range of books for you to enjoy with your children and it coincides with the Scholastic ½ price Book Fair - with books available to buy in the Hall. Letters will be sent out with children and we would be grateful if you could return the reply slips so we have an indication of numbers.



Year 4 Geevor Trip

Children in Year 4 have come home with a letter regarding their trip on Tuesday 14th January. Copies of the letter have been emailed out, but also available to view from the school website, under letters home for Year 4. Consent forms are to be returned to the class teacher by Tuesday 7th January.

Our reception children will be featured in the Falmouth Packet on Wednesday 18th December, as part of a Nativity photo special. Don't forget to pick up a copy!



Reminder – Swimming for Year 3 continues after the Christmas break on Monday 6th January



The next Friends meeting will be Wednesday 15th January 2:15pm. If you would be interested in coming along and helping with the hard work that the Friends do, please come along.



Whats on at St Francis

December

02-06 - Parents Evening Week
02 - Year 1 Truro Cathedral Trip
02 - Remaining tickets to be sold in hall 3:30-4pm
09 - Year 3 Swimming begins
09 - KS1 Christmas Performance C,D,E & F 2pm
10 - KS1 Christmas Performance C,D,E & F 9:30am
11 - Christmas Lunch, and LKS2 Christmas Performance G,H,I & J 6pm
12 - POLLING DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
13 - Christmas Jumper Day, Reception Performance A & B 9:30am and LKS2 Christmas Performance G,H,I & J 2pm
16 - UKS2 Christmas Performance K,L,M & N at All Saints Church, Falmouth 6pm
18 - Break up for Christmas Holidays
19-20 - INSET DAYS - SCHOOL CLOSED
23 (until 3 Jan) - CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS



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January

06 - Spring Term Begins, swimming for Year 3 continues
13 - Girls PAFC after school club begins
14 - Year 4 Geevor Mine Trip
15 - Friends meeting 2:15pm
16 - Boys PAGC after school club begins
17 - Class E (Frogs) Parent Assembly 9am
23 - Year 6 height & weight checks
24 - Class D (Lambs) Parent Assembly 9am
27 - Reception height & weight checks
30 - ½ Price Book Fair arrives in school
31 - Class C (Piglets) Parent Assembly 9am
31 - LKS2 (Years 3 and 4) Reading Café 2-3pm

Key Dates

January 6 Spring Term begins
February 17-21 Half Term
March 27 Break up for Easter Holidays
March 30 - April 13 Easter Holidays
April 14 Summer Term begins
May 8 Bank Holiday
May 25-29 Half Term
July 23 Start of Summer Holidays



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