



**WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:**

Clubs

Football Club runs from 3.40pm – 4.40pm on a Thursday.

Annual Consent Forms

**Please ensure you've returned the Annual Consent/Medical Forms. If you require another copy, please ask in the office.**

Letters sent out:

- Booster swim lessons
- Yr 5: Apple Store trip

Monday 7<sup>th</sup>

- Yr 1: Hearing Screening
- Yr 3b: Apple store

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup>

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Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>

- Yr 5b: Apple store

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>

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Friday 11<sup>th</sup>

- League Run – Great Trethew
- School Disco  
KS1: 5.45-6.45pm  
KS2: 7.00-8.00pm

- **Half Term Farm Rota** – please put your name down on the rota (in the office) if you're able to come and feed the animals over half term.
- If you would like your child to have milk at lunchtime, please pay for the item on ParentPay.

**Parental Consultations**

If you have not booked yet, please make sure you have an appointment before the end of this week. If you need any help booking, speak to Tamsyn. It is a good opportunity to look at the progress to date and talk to the teachers about next steps. If you need longer, book two sessions or come back at a later date. We encourage the child to attend as it is a partnership.

**Humanities and Cultural Week**

Next week children will be classed based and taking part in our cultural week.  
Monday is Map Skills Day  
Tuesday is an opportunity to extend French further  
Wednesday is Chronology Day  
Thursday is Explorers  
Friday is also Explorers  
Plus, we are also looking forward to Morley bringing some of his creatures in!

**Swimming**

Next week we will be sending a group for booster swimming sessions at the Life Centre. The information you have returned to school, along with our records from the block sessions, has helped in this process. After Christmas, Year 3 will be completing their three week block. This intensive block has proved to be the best way for the children to learn to swim or make great progress in stroke development and water safety.

**Harvest**

Our annual harvest service is next Friday in the Church at 9.15am.  
Please can the children bring contributions to decorate the church and meet the needs of our local community in a variety of ways.  
Fresh produce is distributed where there is a need.  
Tins and packets are given to foodbanks who are very much in need.  
If you prefer to donate to Hillside School, please donate through ParentPay.  
As you know we sponsor 50 orphans, who gain an education and are looked after as boarders. This means that our cake sales and harvest collections make a real difference.

**School Photos**

If you would like to order your child's school photo, please bring the order form with payment, by Friday 11 October for collection.

## Mummy

Mummy did I tell you  
I grazed my knee today  
Teacher gave me a plaster  
I suppose I'll be OK

Mummy I am so happy  
I made a friend today  
Mummy are you listening  
Don't look the other way

Mummy I want to show you  
What it was I made today  
It's just a little present  
For you on Mother's Day

Mummy you know my teacher  
She said I'm doing well  
I got the highest test result  
For the words we had to spell

Mummy can you hear me  
Do you know I'm here  
While you're holding my hand  
You seem to be elsewhere

Mummy have I told you  
That I wish I was a phone  
Then you could talk to me all day  
And I wouldn't feel alone

(Chris Peaskin Sept 2018)

## **'Technoference'**

Researchers have dubbed "technoference" as the interruption of everyday interactions; face-to-face conversations or at meal or play times between parents and their children - whether this be digital or mobile devices.

[www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2018/07/05/duty-care-mothers-excessive-use-mobile-phones-driving-behavioural/](http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2018/07/05/duty-care-mothers-excessive-use-mobile-phones-driving-behavioural/)

"With our kids picking up mobile devices at an increasingly younger age, it is really important that we set good habits within the home, early on.

Children take their cues from us for everything else, so it is only natural that they should do the same with device use."

<https://www.elitereaders.com/children-affected-parents-spend-much-time-mobile-phones/>

## **Landrake Messy Church**

Landrake Chapel - Saturday 12 Oct - 4 til 6pm  
Come and join the messy, crafty fun followed by a shared meal (bring food to share if you can).

## **Oracy**

Much research has been undertaken that shows that children's language is much poorer than in the past. It has been suggested that technology is playing a part in this. Some schools have reported parents not interacting with their children after school, so children give up sharing their excitement or ideas. I am pleased to say that this is not the norm at SRG. However, some children do tell us that they did not ... because they were 'too busy on their phone/Facebook' etc!

## **Learning at Sir Robert Geffery's**

This year the teachers are putting together a skills progression sheet for each area of the curriculum. We will be publishing these on the curriculum section on the website.

## **School Admissions**

Year 6 – transition to secondary school. You need to apply online by 31 October 2019. Entry to Reception in September 2020. Application deadline is 15 January 2020. Have you applied for a place, or do you know someone else who may need to?

## **Sporting Talent**

We have so many talented individuals at school who compete outside school at high levels. Please let us know what your child has been doing so we can celebrate and inspire others to also have a go at the sport.

Seren and Bodhi both compete regularly in climbing competitions and have been really successful.

Megan D has been really successful in swimming, winning 12 gold medals at the club championships over two weekends in September, gaining County qualifying times and also two silvers and one bronze medal with her relay team at the Plymouth network gala.

Isla SH will be competing in her first National Schools Trampolining Championships.

Ruby, Ben and Lauren took part in a sponsored swim at the weekend to raise much needed funds for Cubs. They all swam over 1km in an hour which is over 40 lengths of the Saltash leisure pool.

## AWARDS

Accelerated Reader	Sienna B	Player of the week	Lola OR
Class Kindness	Nathaniel K	Positive Attitude	Rosina T
Demonstrating Values	Ruby W		Shanjanah S
	Merryn B	Progress	Lily WP
Dinner Hall	Abigail F		Dougie B
Effort	Seren H		Jamie D
	Mackenzie P		Isla K
	Sam B	Reader of the week	Ashton B
	Max C	Reading Progress	Riley B
	Beth B	Reading Star	Chloe W
English	Keira B	Resilience	Libby C
	Poppy T		Sybire K
Excellence	Leyla C		Olivia J
	Tom H	Role Model	Phoebe H
	Mollie Y	School Ambassador	Brook G
Good Learning	Simeon R	School Grounds	Oskar D
Growth Mindset	Stanley D	Science Progress	Millie J
	Bob T	Spelling Bee	Finley S
Helpfulness	Ben C	Spelling Progress	Jacob T
Kindness	Tilly K	Standing up for right	Holly G
Literacy	Joel T	Star of the week	Sophie D
Maths Owl	Eliza R	Super Mathlete	Ruby F
Maths Progress	Ed P	Supporting Others	Fleur B
Maths Superstar	Imogen P		Francesca A
Needlecraft	Charlie D	Thinking	Aaron B
	Norah C	Writer of the Week	Finley S
	Ben C		Ethan B
Perseverance	Alfie N	Piano	Joshua P
Phonics	Georgina H	Singing	Pippa I
			Alice G

### The Rules of Grammar

A **NOUN** is the name of a place, person or thing  
Such as a school or garden, hoop or swing.

**ADJECTIVES** describe the kind of noun  
As great, small, pretty, white or brown.

Instead of nouns the **PRONOUNS** fit  
As he, you, they and it.

**VERBS** tell of something being done  
To read, write, count, sing, jump or run.

How, when and where the **ADVERBS** tell,  
As slowly, near, now, or well.

**CONJUNCTIONS** join the words together,  
As men **AND** women, wind **OR** weather.

The **prepositions** describe the relation  
As over the hill or through the station

The **INTERJECTION** shows surprise,  
As Oh, how pretty, Ah, how wise (!)

### **Author visit and Prize-giving**

#### **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October**

Author of the Sammy Rambles books and 'Dragonball' creator, Jenny Leggott, will be revisiting Year 4 (last year's Year 3) to present prizes for a story writing competition and to deliver a dragon-writing workshop.

She will also be selling her books after school if you'd like to join in the adventures of Sammy Rambles and his dragon adventures.

Books -£12 each

Small dragons - £8 each (blue, green, magenta)

Large dragons are £15 each (pink and purple)

*Cash, card or delayed payment if anyone forgets their money on the day.*

### Clive Pig Workshop

KS2 had the pleasure of Clive's creative and innovative storytelling last week, with links to our topic on Anglo-Saxons. The children had class-based workshops where opportunities to become 'wordsmiths' were given and imaginations and creativity left to run wild! There are some fantastic examples of descriptive writing already so please take an opportunity at Parents' Evening to take a look!

### Continue to live in the UK after it leaves the EU

The UK government has reached an agreement with the EU that will protect the rights of EU citizens and their family members living in the UK. It has also reached an agreement with Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein, and a separate agreement with Switzerland. These agreements mean that most citizens from the EU, Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Switzerland will need to apply to stay in the UK. They can then continue living their lives here as they do now.

### Citizens' Rights - EU citizens in the UK and UK nationals in the EU

Most EU citizens will need to apply to continue living in the UK after it leaves the EU. Use the tool below to find out what you need to do and when.

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/790570/Policy\\_Paper\\_on\\_citizens\\_rights\\_in\\_the\\_event\\_of\\_a\\_no\\_deal\\_Brexit.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/790570/Policy_Paper_on_citizens_rights_in_the_event_of_a_no_deal_Brexit.pdf)

### Saltash Library and Information Service

#### Dinosaur Crafts

Thursday 24 October – 11am – 3pm



Calling all little dinosaurs! Crafts and chatter all to do with dinosaurs – pasta skeletons, colouring, word games, playdough to play and create with – all down at the library!

### Landrake Community Cafe

A great place to get together  
Thursday 17th October Open from 8.45 til 12  
Great coffee and cake  
Kids Korner - baby and toddler facilities  
Why not come up after school drop off!

### Saltash Youth Football Club – Girls Football

As part of the Grow the Game initiative, Saltash Youth Football Club are introducing an Under 11 girls football team for the 2019-20 season.

Coaching sessions for girls will be held for current Yr 5/6 – girls will need to be 9 or 10 years of age on 31 August 2019 to play in this competition.

If you're interested, either go along on a Thursday at Burraton Primary at 6pm or for more information call Club Secretary, Kev Roberts on 07775 572339 or Email [saltashyouth@outlook.com](mailto:saltashyouth@outlook.com).

### DATES FOR THE DIARY:

14-18 Oct	Booster Swimming Lessons
Tue 15 Oct	Parents Evening
Wed 16 Oct	Parents Evening
Thu 17 Oct	Cake Sale
Fri 18 Oct	Harvest Festival – 9.00am start
Sun 21 Oct	Harvest at St Michael's Church
21-25 Oct	Half Term
Mon 28 Oct	Inset Day
<b>Thu 31 Oct</b>	<b>Closing date for Secondary school admissions for current Year 6</b>
Wed 6 Nov	Friends AGM 7pm
Fri 8 Nov	Friends Mufti Day
Thu 14 Nov	Friends Christmas Fair 2.30-5pm
Thu 21 Nov	Cake Sale
Fri 22 Nov	Swimming Gala (Yrs 5/6)
Thu 28 Nov	Nasal Flu Immunisation (R-Y6)
Wed 11 Dec	9.30am KS1 Christmas Play 1.30pm KS1 Christmas Play
Thu 12 Dec	5.45pm KS1 Christmas Play
Fri 13 Dec	Christmas Bazaar
Tue 17 Dec	9.30am KS2 Christmas Play 1.30pm KS2 Christmas Play
Wed 18 Dec	5.45pm KS2 Christmas Play
Thu 19 Dec	KS1 Theatre trip
Fri 20 Dec	Christingle 1.30pm – St Michael's

Our new website is now up and calendar dates are being added all the time. We are now also able to upload more information against calendar dates, so pdf copies of trip letters will be uploaded into the calendar entry as and when they are done. The nasal flu letter with details how to give consent for your child is also there.

## Parking and Travel Questionnaire

We are really keen to improve children's safety by reducing the parking issues that occur. The governors have discussed ideas at length and would like to gather more information and ideas in order to make an informed decision.

Name of child .....

Age .....

We are able to walk to school  Yes  No

We always walk to school  Yes  No

We would support a walking bus from the pub to avoid congestion  Yes  No

We would support a walking bus from Higher Town  Yes  No

My child/dren use bikes or scooters to get to school  Yes  No

We usually drop children off at  8.00 approx  8.35 approx

Due to the journey we cannot walk to school  Yes  No

We usually park in the playground and understand the need to reverse into the spaces  Yes  No

We are aware that we should not park at junctions because it reduces visibility and endangers children's lives  Yes  No

To improve/help the situation I have the following ideas: