



Next Week:

Monday 24 th July	Tuesday 24 th	Wednesday 25 th	Thursday 26 th	Friday 27 th
• INSET DAY	• INSET DAY	SUMMER HOLIDAYS		
Monday 4 th Sept	Tuesday 5 th Sept	Wednesday 6 th	Thursday 7 th	Friday 8 th
• INSET DAY	• BACK TO SCHOOL	•	•	•

What a wonderful summer term we have had and a fitting end to a successful 2022/23 academic year.

As I mentioned during speech day, there have been so many successes this year; sporting achievements, children taking more part than ever in the Arts, and increased work and involvement with our community to name but a few. There has been some great feedback about speech day itself from parents, governors and Ironmongers who attended on the day. The children's enthusiasm, confidence to perform (despite the loud rain on the marquee) and patience and good behaviour to watch and celebrate others was a credit to all parents and staff and something for which we can all be proud... especially the children.

I look forward to a bright and exciting 2023/24, but in the meantime, my best wishes to all families for a restful and enjoyable summer holidays. Mr O'Hara.

Parent Survey

A big thank you to all those parents who took the time to complete our parent survey over the past few weeks. The survey is now closed and a team of governors will be working with school leaders to look at strengths and areas for potential improvement that have been highlighted. More news to follow on this in the autumn term.

Current Year 2 parents:

From September, your child will not be in receipt of universal free school meals (unless on pupil premium). Please be aware that you will be charged for school dinners! These can be paid for on ParentPay.

School Dinners

From September, unfortunately due to an increase in costs from the suppliers, the cost of a school dinner will be £2.65 per meal. All school meals can be paid for on ParentPay.

Summer Safety

Cornwall Council have put together a helpful guide to staying safe over the summer holidays - it includes advice about heat, water safety, nature awareness and medication. Please follow this link that we have been asked to share with the community:

<https://schools.cornwall.gov.uk/Article/146325?source=Newsletter&guid=F718D467-5ED2-4DE4-940F-742801586F2C>

Spaces left - please spread the word!

We have spaces in our Year 1 and Year 3 classes from September.

Please spread the word amongst contacts, friends and family. Maintaining our numbers is important for our funding that is given on a per pupil basis. Thank you.

STEAM Week Project 2023 - Solar Ovens

This year for our STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths) Week Project, the whole school have been exploring solar energy and ways to harness the power of the sun, by designing, testing and evaluating solar ovens. Children from Reception up to Year 6 have considered a range of variables to focus on when testing and have been very excited to discover that their ovens could effectively cook s'mores. We imagine that many children will have been excitedly sharing this project with their families! If you are interested in extending your STEAM skills further over the Summer break and building a simple solar oven as a family, then you can follow the link below for simple step-by-step instructions. What will you cook next?!

<https://www.sciencebuddies.org/stem-activities/solar-oven>



Accelerated Reader

The URL has now changed for this and is now:

<https://global-zone61.renaissance-go.com/welcomeportal/2234733>

Please save this on the device your child normally logs in on.

The AR word counts will reset on 1st August 2023.

Farm – Country Night

The Farm Committee would like to express their thanks to all the wonderful people that attended our SRG Country Night last Friday.

It was a brilliant evening enjoyed by all and we are delighted to say we raised £470.50 for the Farm.

We'd also like to say thank you to all the local businesses, friends and families for the raffle prizes kindly donated.

Thank you to the wonderful Farm Committee for making it happen.

We hope to see you all again next year if it becomes an annual event!



Rights Respecting School's Award

We are pleased to announce that Sir Robert Geffery's is now a '**Bronze Rights Committed**' school with our application for Silver taking place in the Autumn Term.

The Bronze Award is the first stage of the RRSA and recognises schools that have started a journey towards becoming a Rights Respecting School, embedding young people's rights in school practices and ethos.

Thank you to Miss Appleby for her hard work and for overseeing this award and distributing the weekly assemblies and material that you would have seen on your Google classroom.

KS2 pupils also had the opportunity to reflect on these important Rights during RE lessons.



Woodwind Music Lessons

Steve has spaces for new learners of woodwind instruments from September.

Yr 2 upwards clarinet and flute

Yr 3 upwards clarinet, flute and saxophone

There are forms in the classrooms, or contact the office to ask for more information.

Church Wildlife Art Competition

St Michael's Church held a Wildlife Art competition recently. The winning entries are in the entrance to the church. Two of our pupils won prizes:

- 1st Norah C (who won a hedgehog house)
- 3rd Leyla C (who won a bird box)

Fond Farewell from the Friends and the whole SRG community

As a whole school we would like to say a very fond farewell and a huge thank you to Mary-Jane Tompkins, whose five daughters came to the school. Mare has given so much to the school over the years as a parent and key member of the Friends committee, including hearing young readers as a volunteer, helping to plan, organise and run Friends events throughout each year. Of course these events have been enjoyed by all children and families and the funds raised continue to enrich the experience of all. Thank you Mare and our very best wishes for the future.

Labelling Clothing

We know that often the holidays are a time to also prepare for the coming school year. Please ensure that all items of clothing are labelled clearly before children come in on Tuesday 5th September.

School Books and Trophies

As requested a few weeks back, we need school reading books and trophies to be brought back in to be available for children. If you come across any at home over the holidays, please put them to one side, or indeed in school bags, ready to be brought in in September. Each book we get back could save £5 of school funds in replacing it - funding is tight - and of course it can then be enjoyed by others.

Drop off and Collection

Drop off for morning registration (8.40-8.55am) and collection at 3.30pm should be from these doors:

Reception	Back door of the Twallin Building (follow the fence around)
Year 1	Side entrance by bike racks
Year 2	Top of slope by the picnic bench
Year 3	AM - Top of slope (before Year 2) PM – Door by welly boot area
Year 4	Side entrance (past Year 1 door)
Year 5	Side entrance (past Year 1 door)
Year 6	Front door of the Twallin building

As normal, there will only be homework club running after school for the first couple of weeks of term – other clubs will start from Monday 18th September

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 4 Sep	Inset Day
Tue 5 Sep	Back to School
Mon 11 Sep	NO CLUBS – staff training
22 – 27 Oct	<i>Half Term</i>
Thu 16 Nov	Individual School Photos
27Nov-1Dec	Booster Swim Lessons
Fri 1 Dec	Christmas Fair
Wed 14 Dec	KS1 Theatre Trip
Tue 19 Dec	Christingle
20Dec – 3Jan	<i>Christmas Holidays</i>
Thu 4 Jan	<i>Inset Day</i>
Thu 11 Jan	KS2 Theatre Trip
Tue 23 Jan	Yr 1: Hearing Screening
12 – 16 Feb	<i>Half Term</i>
29Mar – 12Apr	<i>Easter Holidays</i>
Mon 15 Apr	<i>Inset Day</i>
27 – 31 May	<i>Half Term</i>
Mon 3 Jun	<i>Inset Day</i>
Wed 24 Jul	<i>Inset Day</i>
Thu 25 Jul	<i>Summer Holidays</i>