

Newsletter No. 980

Friday 6th February 2026

After School Clubs Info

All clubs will start straightaway after half-term.

During the week 2nd – 6th March the following clubs will not run:
Yoga | Musical Theatre | Eco | Field Gun

Thank you

As we celebrate another fantastic half term of growth and discovery (still one week left!), we want to take a moment to shine a spotlight on the incredible staff team that makes it all possible. We are so proud to offer such a remarkable wealth, breadth, and depth of extra-curricular and enrichment opportunities, allowing our children to explore everything from the Arts to athletics and cross-country, from crochet to Field Gun, farm and allotment to forest schools.

What makes this truly special is that the school currently funds these programs entirely, ensuring that our families can benefit from these experiences without any financial barrier. Of course, providing such a high level of enrichment requires an immense amount of extra time, energy, and heart from our teachers and support staff.

On behalf of our entire community—children, parents, governors, and leaders—we want to say a huge thank you to our caring and dedicated team. Your commitment to going "above and beyond" creates memories that our pupils will carry with them forever. We are so lucky to have you!

Book Fair

A huge thank you to all the children and parents who made orders from our scholastic book fair this week. With over £1600 of orders, the school is due to receive nearly £1000 worth of credit to order new books from the publishers that will further enhance our broad book offer in the classrooms and libraries of SRG.

There was a definite buzz of excitement in the corridor surrounding the books!

Thank you again to Cat Miles, whose commitment to making this work has resulted in a love of reading.

When we know details of the arriving order, we will share this.



NSPCC 'Speak Out, Stay Safe' programme

We emailed information out earlier this week to all parents about the 'Speak Out, Stay Safe' project that we will be covering again with all children across the school next week. The message about asking for help if you are being harmed is supported by age-appropriate, NSPCC created resources and led sensitively by staff - it is a key part of how we help children to stay safe. Please refer to this week's email for more information.



Next Week:

Monday 9th February

- Football matches at SRG

Tuesday 10th

- Yr 5: Saltash School production
- Yr 2: Zero Gravity

Wednesday 11th

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Thursday 12th

- Yr 3: Residential

Friday 13th

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Class Attendance

The class with the best attendance for weeks of 26th – 30th January is **Year 1**.

Mr O'Hara will be visiting soon to pop some marbles in your jar!



Backwards Mufti Day

Thank you to all who gave a donation on our mufti day last Friday. We raised £180 for our school farm.

School Trips

We have a number of school trips coming up for most year groups:

- Yr R: Dartmoor Zoo
- KS2: Swimming Gala
- Yr 1/2: Eden Project
- Yr 3: Swimming lessons

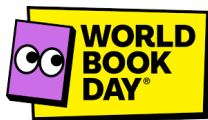
Please keep an eye out for the emails and **please** complete the google forms using the links within the emails – we use those to check that you're aware of the upcoming trip and what your children will need on the day.

Children's Mental Health Week

On Google Classrooms we have launched an exciting little art-based optional homework that will help celebrate this year's Children's Mental Health Week in which we are thinking about belonging. Belonging is when you feel happy, safe, and comfortable being yourself. The task invites children to create a map showing the places, people, activities, or feelings where they feel like they belong. More information [attached](#).

World Book Day – Thursday 5th March

There will be lots of exciting things happening in school on the day – more information to follow. invited to dress up as a character related to their favourite book. Please remember, we don't expect you to buy a costume – being creative with what you've got at home is great!



Parents Evenings – Wednesday 3rd and Thursday 4th March

An email will be sent out soon after half-term with information of how to book appointments.

Class News

This week during KS1 English, children have been improving their storytelling skills. **Year 1** have been innovating their Ernest Shackleton inspired story maps, ready to write setting descriptions next week.



Meanwhile, **Year 2** have been bringing stories to life through sound. Using a wide range of instruments, they have been sound tracking key moments in their narratives, exploring how music and sound effects can enhance mood, atmosphere and meaning.

On Monday in English, **Year 3** explored what persuasive writing is and what it means to persuade someone. We discussed how persuasion is used to influence others' thoughts, feelings or actions, and thought about the different ways we can persuade, such as using strong opinions, exciting language and clear reasons. The children watched a short video and wrote key information in their books before finishing the lesson by practising their persuasive skills with a range of topics, trying to convince each other using powerful and convincing language and facts.



In **PE** this week, the children in KS2 had the opportunity to use the climbing wall and larger apparatus. They focused on developing their balance, jumps and climbing techniques. The children worked in pairs to support, encourage and challenge one another, demonstrating excellent teamwork and encouragement throughout the session.



Friends and Farm News

Don't forget our pre-loved uniform is available in the Y4/5 foyer. A suggested donation of £2 per item can be left in the pink tin.

Thank you to our anonymous donor for the Amazon wish-list gifts for the chickens this week, check out our [Facebook page](#) for a video of them enjoying it!



Diary Dates

16-20 Feb	Half Term
Mon 23 Feb	Back to School
Fri 27 Feb	Yr R: Dartmoor Zoo NEW
Mon 2 Mar	Swimming Gala
Tue 3 Mar	Cake Sale
	Parents Evening
Wed 4 Mar	Parents Evening
Thu 5 Mar	World Book Day
Fri 6 Mar	League Run 5
Mon 9 Mar	Yr 1/2: Eden Project NEW
Wed 11 Mar	Girls Football Festival
Fri 20 Mar	Landrake Run
16-27 Mar	Yr 3: Swimming Lessons
Wed 25 Mar	Songfest
Fri 27 Mar	Class Photos
	School Disco
3-17 Apr	Easter Holidays
Mon 20 Apr	Back to School
Mon 4 May	Bank Holiday
6-8 May	Yr 5: Residential
7-8 May	Yr 4: Residential
11-15 May	SATs Week
25-29 May	Half Term
Mon 1 Jun	Back to School
Tue 2 Jun	Cake Sale
Fri 5 Jun	Inset Day
Mon 8 Jun	Inset Day
Wed 17 Jun	Sports Day
22-26 Jun	Yr 6: Residential
Fri 3 Jul	Summer Fair
Fri 17 Jul	Speech Day
Thu 23 Jul	Last day of term

Awards

Be the Best I Can Be	Molly C		
Dinner Hall	Sophie Bu		
Effort	Sienna F		
English	Gracie M	Talia H	Piran L
Enthusiasm	Lowen H		
Excellence	Ayla L	Holly F	
Farm	Georgina M		
Growth Mindset	Zoe D		
Helpfulness	Elodie C		
Kindness	Imogen B		
Learning	Ida A	Trystan O	
Maths	Hannah C	Ruby B	Noah H
Perseverance	Josephine P	Nelly B	
Phonics	Willow G		
Positive Attitude	Thisbe C	Millie B	Sienna G
	Amelia M		
Presentation	Henry C	Rosie H (1)	
Progress	Millie W	Ezra W	
R.E.	Melody W	Tommy C	
Reading	Chloe B		
Resilience	Jack R	Hetty V	
Role Model	Rosie B	Caleb C	
Science	Lowenna H		
Service	Harry B		
Spelling	Ted R		
Sports	Zara B	Zelah T-P	
Thinking	Tom Y	Leo C	
Writing	Orla D		
Piano	Shanjanah S		
Singing	Talia H		

Sports News

A selection of KS2 pupils took part in an exciting Sportshall Athletics event at Saltash Community School on Wednesday, where they competed in a range of track and field activities such as standing triple jump, javelin and speed bounce, alongside several sprint relays and an obstacle course. Year 3 and 4 pupils attended the event in the morning, with Year 5 and 6 competing in the afternoon.

Throughout the whole competition, pupils showed fantastic teamwork, resilience and encouragement for one another. Their efforts paid off as both teams finished an impressive 3rd overall - a brilliant achievement!

A big thank you to Mr Yeoman, Lindsey and Claire for their support in ensuring children could participate. Well done to all of our athletes for their hard work and positive attitude - you were real team SRG role models!

Plymouth Argyle Offer

Plymouth Argyle are offering an opportunity for parents and children to watch their Women's team against Exeter on Wednesday 18th February for FREE. The match kicks off at 7.30pm.

Before the match there is a FREE event celebrating women and young people's sport across the city – come and see what teams there are and find out about new sports.

Please see the flyer attached to this newsletter and scan the QR code for your free tickets.

