

Newsletter No. 1005

Friday 2nd October 2026

After School Clubs Info

- Due to residential, **Netball club** will not run next week.

School Day Timings

Our lessons start at 8.55am. Children can be dropped off, from 8.40 – 8.55am straight to their classroom entry points. If coming in earlier, children can be brought to the main entrance and go into one of the early morning clubs that take place at 7.45am or 8am.

Children arriving later than 8.55am not only miss the morning input from teachers, but also disrupt the learning (not only their own) that is happening around the school. It is a legal expectation to arrive at school on time for registration.

Please note that our gates are locked at 9am for site security as part of our safeguarding measures.

Parent Governor – Election Process

Following the closing date for nominees to put their names forward for the Parent Governor role, I am pleased to say that there was a positive response. This means that there are more nominees than there are vacancies so we will now move to an election process.

Please look out for the email next week with information about the nominees and details on how to vote. All parents and carers of a child registered at the school are eligible to vote in a Parent Governor election. As this email will be sent via our newsletter mailing list, we would be grateful if you could pass the election details on to your child's other parent on receipt, as it is one vote per parent. An electronic method will be used for voting, but there will be an option to vote by hand.

Farm and Friends News

Plastic free Disco - Friday 16th October - with special guest DJ!

- KS1: 5.30-6.15pm KS2: 6.30-7.30pm
- Entry Fee £1.50
- Tuck shop & UV face paints will be available to purchase
- Entry includes free water/juice.

Festive Felting Workshop - Join us for an evening of festive fun with Julia from Freddie's Fibre Friends and learn to felt your own Christmas bauble decorations.

Friday 27th November, 7.15pm, in the school hall. £22 per person, Festive treats included.

Limited availability, book here and you'll receive an email with payment details. <https://www.ticketsource.com/srgfarm>

Next Week:

Monday 5th

- Nasal Flu Vaccinations

Tuesday 6th

- 7.30pm Friends AGM

Wednesday 7th

- Open Morning 9.30 - 11am

Thursday 8th

- Yr 6: Residential

Friday 9th

- Yr 6: Residential
- Yr 5: Grp 1 Apple Store visit

Class Attendance

The class with the best attendance for the week of 21st – 25th September is **Year 5**. Mr O'Hara will be visiting soon to put some marbles in your jar!



Current Year 6 parents

The deadline for submitting your child's place at secondary school is Saturday 31st October.

Parking and Road Safety

Please ensure that when you park on the street to drop-off or pick-up your child/ren from school, please ensure you do not block people's front doors, driveways or park on corners.

We receive a number of phone calls each week from local residents about being blocked in, in some way or other. Thank you in advance.

New Eco Committee commissioned

Our newly elected Eco Committee pupils (from Years 1 to 6) joined other schools around Cornwall in an online meeting with Bishop David. They had a moment of reflection to be thankful for all of nature. This built on our whole school worship assembly on Monday, in which we learnt about the 'Wood Wide Web' and how trees and plants are linked underground and support each other. The committee have taken on the challenge of leading us all to do our little bits to help reduce the impact of climate change. Thanks to their work last year in which some children presented the 'Manifesto for Change' that they had produced to Bishop David, every school across Cornwall has been offered tree packs - an offer that we have taken up... watch this space! The children were delighted when Bishop David said that he had met with and spoken to King Charles III about the manifesto presented by the children and about how their work had led to the plan to have more trees being planted across Cornwall.

On that note...

Residents across Cornwall can collect a free tree sapling and contribute to the Forest for Cornwall as tree-planting season gets under way later this year. There is a choice of six native species to choose from at the Back Garden Forest tree giveaways.

The events take place from November through to next February at 10 different locations. You can choose from dogwood, hazel, crab apple, bird cherry, wayfaring tree and rowan. Every sapling comes with information on how to care for it. Just bring a bag to take your sapling home in. More info can be found here: [Winter Tree Giveaways](#)

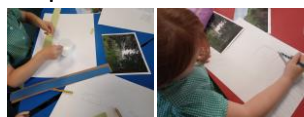
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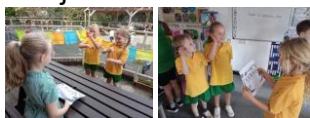
This week **Year 1** has enjoyed exploring the season of Spring through our interactive Artis lessons. They used movement and poetry to express some of the key changes that happen during the season.



As part of their Art learning last week, **Year 2** explored the school grounds to find inspiration for landscape scenes. Drawing ideas from the work of J.M.W. Turner and George Birrell, each group selected a landscape to sketch before starting to build up their artwork using collage techniques.



Bonjour! **Year 3** have really impressed us with their enthusiasm for learning French this term. We have explored greetings and how to say how we are feeling, and this week we have been learning classroom instructions. The children even had the chance to step into the teacher's shoes, giving instructions for their classmates to follow, such as *écoute* for 'listen' and *regarde* for 'look'. It was fantastic to see everyone joining in so confidently and enjoying speaking French together! Très bien, Year 3!



Guitar lessons

We were sad to hear that Dan, the guitar teacher who has been with us for many years, has been moved to supporting secondary schools. He has been great at inspiring our young guitarists and we wish him well in his new ventures. Parents of children who have lessons currently will receive an email from the Cornwall Music Trust about their arrangements for a new visiting teacher. We may be able to advertise more spaces for lessons... when we have information, we will share it.

Thankfulness

This is the SRG Value being celebrated this half-term. We'd like to say a huge thank you to the support staff at SRG who make the enrichment activities and extra-curricular clubs happen, as well as all their support in class!

Thank you ALL – you're stars ★★

Harvest Service at St Stephens

This Sunday at 10am we gather for our relaxed, modern, all-age First Sunday service at St Stephens. We'll be exploring Luke 12:16–30 and reflecting on Harvest and thankfulness, and we're delighted that Bishop James Treasure will be joining us. It's a welcoming service with plenty of space for children and a short talk, with worship songs, followed by refreshments. We'd love to see you there, and if you prefer a traditional service, St Michael's always offers a warm welcome at 9.30am.

Year 6 are looking forward to their first residential of this year – they're off on a short, two-day Dartmoor adventure next Thursday and Friday.

Year 5 and Year 6 Merrivale Trip

To further enrich their curriculum learning within the Dartmoor history topic, Years 5 and 6 will be going on an educational visit to Merrivale on Thursday 22nd October. A separate letter will be sent to parents early next week. We are planning for Years 3 and 4 to visit when they study Dartmoor geography in Spring 2027.

Awards

Art	Polina J			
Be the Best I Can Be	Lenny Fa	Arthur D		
Caring/Supporting Others	Iris H	Sam R		
Courtesy	Frankie M			
Creativity	Hilda R			
Demonstrating Values	Dylan D			
Dinner Hall	Rupert E			
Effort	Ruan H	Jack D		
English	Auron H	Harriet B	Juno S	
Excellence	Rafe B			
Farm	Ada F			
Good Manners	Liccy T			
Growth Mindset	Poppy S			
Helpfulness	Isabella G-H			
Kindness	Arthur C-T	Millie P		
Maths	Maaran C	Noah H	Merryn S	
Maths	Benjy D			
Netball	Piran L			
Phonics	Elodie L			
Positive Attitude	Lizzie A			
Presentation	Jessie D			
Progress	Reid T			
Reading	Hugo P	Darcey J	Benjy D	
	Zara B			
Resilience	Violet L	Imogen B		
Responsibility	Nevaeh G			
Role Model	Winnie B	Ted R	Florence J	
	Akshanaa S			
Science	Dylan M			
Star of the Week	Rosen B	Ted G	Lyra C	
Thinking	Willow G	Aria L		
Writing	William W	Hattie P		

Diary Dates

Thu 15 Oct	Harvest Festival CHANGE
Fri 16 Oct	Yr 6 (grp 2) – Apple League Run 1 School Disco
Mon 19 Oct	Yr 1: Restormel Castle
Wed 21 Oct	Yr 2: Restormel Castle Parents Evening
Thu 22 Oct	Yr 5/6: Merrivale Parents Evening
26 – 30 Oct	<i>Half Term</i>
Sat 31 Oct	Closing date - secondary school applications
Mon 2 Nov	<i>Inset Day</i>
Tue 3 Nov	Back to School
3-6 Oct	Booster swim lessons
Tue 10 Nov	Farm AGM 4.30pm
Wed 11 Nov	Individual School Photos
Fri 13 Nov	Yr 5 (grp 2) Apple store
Mon 15 Nov	Odd Socks Day
Wed 18 Nov	Rugby tournament
Fri 20 Nov	Children in Need
Fri 27 Nov	Farm Committee: Festive Felting Baubles
Fri 4 Dec	Christmas Fair
Wed 9 Dec	KS2: Theatre panto trip
Fri 18 Dec	Christingle
21Dec – 1Jan	<i>Christmas Holidays</i>
Mon 4 Jan	<i>Inset Day</i>
Tue 5 Jan	Back to School
Fri 29 Jan	Yr 1: Hearing Screening
15 – 19 Feb	<i>Half Term</i>
26Mar – 9Apr	<i>Easter Holidays</i>
Mon 12 Apr	<i>Inset Day</i>
Tue 13 Apr	Back to School
Mon 3 May	Bank Holiday
31May – 4Jun	<i>Half Term</i>
Mon 7 Jun	<i>Inset Day</i>
Tue 8 Jun	Back to School
Wed 16 Jun	Sports Day
Fri 16 Jul	Speech Day
Fri 23 Jul	Leavers Service
Mon 26 Jul	Summer Holidays