# ST. MADDERN'S C OF E SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER—FRIDAY 5TH MAY HEADTEACHER: MISS H PEARCE

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## **SUNHATS AND WATER BOTTLES**

Now the weather is improving and the grass is dry – we are using the field as much as we can.

Please ensure that your child has a sunhat or cap to wear during breaktimes.

Children are also encouraged to bring in their own water bottle (water only please) so that they are able to hydrate easily.

If you wish your child to wear suncream – could you apply first thing in the morning before school.

#### **CLUBS**

Next week all clubs will be running. The list of dates for the cooking groups are on the bottom door. Please check which week your child is attending.

The lists for pottery are also on the bottom door.

## **PUPPET SHOW**

Thank you to all the parents who attended this afternoon's puppet show. Class 1 worked very hard to create and put on the show, and appreciated the support.

# MUDDY PUDDLE WALK POSTPONED

The Preschool's Muddy Puddle Walk has been postponed until Friday 12th May. Same times and clothing still needed!

#### **SCHOOL BANK**

The School Bank is open every Thursday from 8.30am.

## **RESIDENTIAL TRIP DEADLINE**

The date for bringing slips to confirm a place on the school residential trip has now passed. If you have not brought it in yet and you would like to come along please phone the school immediately as the final numbers are being confirmed early next week.

# **HOLIDAYS IN SCHOOL TIME**

I know this is the time of year that people book their Summer holiday destination. I would remind parents that holidays must be booked in school holiday time and not in term time.

The school has strict rules, which it has to abide by and Governors are only able to grant holiday leave in term time if there are extenuating circumstances **e.g.** bereavement or illness in the family.

Any holiday request needs to be via formal letter and sent to Ann Jenkin, the Chair of Governors – where it is discussed by the full Governing Body. The rules of the policy is applied to ensure that each case is treated fairly.

As you know, parents can be prosecuted, something the governors would not want to happen. The governors are very aware of the constraints on families, especially as prices rise during the summer holidays.

They do however have strict guidelines which they have to follow.

The expectation is that during term time, children should be in school.

# Riley, Jake and Nathan work on their Celtic designs



Fern, Harry, Eva and Scarlett try creating a story in 'Scratch' (a learning-to-programme computer language)



# TEACHER'S

# **HEADTEACHERS AWARD**

Malakai for determined learning and trying very hard to improve his writing.

# **CORE VALUES AWARD**

Grace for courage in putting herself forward to do a solo in music.

STAR READERS

**CLASS 1: Roan** 

CLASS 2: Alfie, Grace, Harry, Rubie READING KARATE

Charlie = Blue, Grace = White, Honey = Yellow, Rubie = Yellow

**SUPER SPELLERS:** 

Aggie, Roan, Roxanne

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK:

**CLASS 1 = 88%, CLASS 2 = 99%** 

## Dates for the diary Summer 2017 parents and children so far....!

8th May SATS week English Reading Comprehension/Grammar and

Punctuation paper 1

9<sup>th</sup> May Grammar and Punctuation paper 2/maths paper 1 arithmetic

10<sup>th</sup> May
11<sup>th</sup> May
Maths paper 2: Reasoning
Maths paper 3: Reasoning
Wall Music Fest week

19<sup>th</sup> May Walk 4 wildlife event

22<sup>nd</sup> May Arts' Week—Chris Nixon in Mazey Day Nelson

23<sup>rd</sup> May Chris Nixon in Mazey Day Nelson

24<sup>th</sup> May Maths Challenge Day 9.30-2.45 x 4 children

25<sup>th</sup> May Chris Nixon in Mazey Day Nelson/PM Guitar demo Liz Sibley

and Richard Collington

26<sup>th</sup> May INSET

29<sup>th</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> June HALF TERM