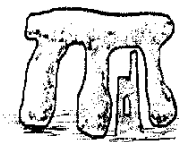


ST. MADDERN'S C OF E SCHOOL
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER—FRIDAY 13TH JANUARY
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Thanks

Compassion

Forgiveness

Responsibility

Perseverance

Friendship

Courage

Trust

Hope



BOOK SWAP

We are starting the term with a new initiative – the Book Swap. If your child has a book that they have finished with (not a school owned book) and they want to swap it for another book – we now have a book swap box where they can do this. Children have been told that they need to check with parents first before any book comes in to get swapped.

DATA COLLECTION SHEET

Your child will be bringing home a Data collection sheet. Please check that the information is correct, amend if necessary and return to Mrs Prichard in the school office by **Tuesday 17th January**.

CORNISH INITIATIVE

As part of the St Piran's celebrations this year Key Stage 2 are taking part in a Cornish Initiative being run by Will Coleman (from Man Engine). Over the next few weeks Class 2 will be reading a variety of books (written in Cornish) and learning a number of phrases.

On **Saturday 25th February** each child will be given a passport which they can use in a number of shops in Causeway Head. Hopefully if they are able to remember some of the phrases – the passport will be stamped. Once 6 stamps are collected each child will be eligible for a **FREE** cream tea at the Union Hotel. We have been specially selected to participate in this event – which I'm sure will be a great success and lots of fun.

CLUBS

Thank you to all who have brought their clubs letters in. There has been a high uptake of clubs again this term which is excellent to see. Time spent in clubs goes toward the Children's University passport, which gets totalled up at the end of the Summer term. Last Summer we had 12 children graduating!

SWIMMING

Children with long hair (longer than shoulder length) need to ensure that they have a swimming hat. They can be purchased from Sports Direct for £2.50.

ABSENCES

If your child is absent from school owing to illness, please would you let the school office know on the day of the absence.

A POLITE REMINDER

Children need to be wearing full school uniform every day: black shoes, shirt, black or dark grey trousers/shorts. Please can you also ensure your child has a named jumper and coat in school every day this term, and PE kit on Mondays and Fridays.

DINNER MONEY

Please ensure that dinner money is paid daily or by the end of each week to Mrs Prichard in the school office. This needs to be put in a named envelope with the dates of dinners taken.

BIG JANUARY GAMES COLLECTION

We need your help!

We are adding to our Wet-Playtime boxes and our outdoor provision: boxes full of toys and games that promote learning and keep children entertained when the weather is bad. But we can't do it without your help.

We know that many of your children may have received new toys and games for Christmas. It's always very therapeutic to have a clear-out in the New Year and perhaps you could donate some of the games that they no longer play with to the school for our **BIG JANUARY GAMES COLLECTION!**

We would really welcome items that promote and encourage pairs or groups to play together e.g. board games, jigsaws, Top Trumps, playing cards, colouring books. So much learning takes place during play and lunchtimes and we don't want this to stop just because the weather is bad. Perhaps you can talk to friends and neighbours and invite them to donate items too.

Please bring any donated items to the school office where they will be distributed to the classes.

SCHOOL BANK

The School Bank is now open on Thursdays 8:30-8:45AM. If you would like your child to have an account and join the bank – it is not too late. Joining forms can be collected from Mr Turner in the school office.



HEADTEACHERS AWARD

Honey for settling into her new school so well and trying her best.

CORE VALUES AWARD

Jowan for perseverance in swimming, taking on feedback to get better.



STAR READERS

CLASS 1: Lilly P; CLASS 2: Fern, Harry, Jake, Jowan, Libby

READING KARATE:

Charlie = Orange, Fern = Orange, Jowan = White,

Olivia = Orange, Morgana = Orange, Rhys = Orange

GOOD ATTENDANCE (AUTUMN TERM)

Well done to these children with 95%+ attendance from September to December:

Charlie, Jowan, Scarlett, Nathan, Lowenna, Harry, Lilly, Finlay, Matthew

OUTSTANDING ATTENDANCE (AUTUMN TERM)

Well done to these children with an *outstanding 100% attendance* over September to December:

Harrison, Riley, Rhys, Agatha, Isabella, Noah, Fern, Alexa, Erin, Leven, Jake, Kenza

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK: CLASS 1 = 88.9%, CLASS 2 = 95.3%

ADVANCE NOTICE

16 th Jan	Clubs begin
10 th Feb	Brass assembly
13th-17th Feb	Half term
2 nd March	World Book Day
3 rd March	St Piran's Day
13 th March	Song-Fest Rehearsal at 4pm, Concert 7-8.45pm
24 th March	Comic Relief Day
31st March	Break up

TERM DATES FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2016-2017

Mon 2nd Jan:	School begins
Fri 10th Feb:	Break up for half term
Mon 20th Feb:	Children return to school
Fri 31st Mar:	Break up for Easter
Tue 18th Apr:	Children return to school for Summer Term
Mon 1st May:	Bank Holiday – school closed
Fri 25th May:	Break up for half term (INSET DAY) Preschool open
Mon 5th June:	INSET DAY (no children) Preschool open
Tuesday 6th June:	Children return to school
Tuesday 25th July:	Break up for Summer Holidays