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"A happy learning environment for all"





Friday 11th December 2020



NURSERY NEWS

The Nursery Christmas party is on Tuesday after we have enjoyed our Christmas lunch. Could children please wear a Christmas or colourful jumper to Nursery on Tuesday. Next week's home challenge is to be good boys and girls for Father Christmas (remember the elves are

watching).
Could we please remind you to arrive by
8.55am as late arrivals cause disruption for
everyone, thank you.

DON'T FORGET THAT NURSERY FINISHES AT 1.15PM ON FRIDAY.



THANK YOU

A huge thank you to all the volunteers who have come in to listen to readers this term, your help has been invaluable.

CHRISTINGLE AND THE MOUSEHOLE CAT

The Church has kindly provided school with a pack for each child to make a Christingle, these will be made in school on Monday. The pack includes raisins and Dolly Mixture, if your child can't eat either of these could you please let us know by Monday morning.

We have signed up to watch a broadcast of the Minack Theatre production of the Mousehole Cat which we will be watching in school on Thursday.



UNIFORM PRICE INCREASE

There will be an increase in the price of uniform from today; this reflects the increased costs charged by our suppliers, we do sell our uniform at cost price. Any uniform already on order will be charged at the old cost.

CHRISTMAS EVENTS NEXT WEEK

Tuesday Christmas lunch and wear a Christmas Jumper to school

Thursday School Christmas Party-non uniform

Friday NURSERY AND SCHOOL FINISHES AT 1.15PM-NO RIVERSIDE

Wednesday 6th January-First day of Spring Term



CONTACT EMAIL ADDRESSES

Thank you for your support on Tuesday morning when the weather was so bad. We do try to keep the school open if at all possible but we decided that the roads around the village were too treacherous to ask parents to risk the journey. We have heard from some parents to say that they didn't receive the email telling them about the late opening. We send emails to the first contact on the parent form that was sent out in September. If you would prefer us to use a different email address could you please let Dee know as soon as possible please? Thank you.

EARLY CLOSING ON 18TH DECEMBER

You may have seen in the media that school staff could take an extra day off on 18th December. Can we point out that this is not the case, the DfE have said that they suggest that schools may move one of the statutory staff training days to 18th. However, we already have staff training planned for all of our INSETs so won't be taking up this suggestion. We will however be closing at 1.15pm on Friday 18th December, this is to allow support staff to help cleaners do a deep clean of the school before the end of term, and to allow teaching staff to hold a meeting to plan for the next term.

Also the DfE have asked school staff to be available for the first week of the holiday to help with track and trace. It is essential that we have up-to-date contact information so if you have changed your phone number recently please let us know.

GOVERNING BOARD

This week we welcomed Mrs Sue Robbins to the board of governors.

The full list is:

Mrs S Bowden-Headteacher

Mr D Jewell-Staff Governor

Miss R Thomas-Parent Governor

Mr R Grant-Parent Governor

Mr P Dukes-Co-opted Governor

Mr A Cuthbert-Co-opted Governor

Mr S Long-Co-opted Governor

Mrs S Robbins-Co-opted Governor

Mr B Jones-Co-opted Governor

Mrs D Tamblyn-LA Governor

Ms D Towers-Clerk to the Governors

Our thanks to the governors for their continued support.

We have been requested by local organisations to include the community events detailed below. These are not endorsed by St Neot School.

DOING DECEMBER DIFFERENTLY

Together for Families and partners have created an activity booklet, filled with everything you need to get colouring, cooking and crafting over December. Jam-packed with projects, recipes and tips, download your FREE copy today.

https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/coronavirus-advice-for-children-and-families/doing-december-differently/ We are aware, however, that many families may not have the contents readily available in their home or be able to afford to purchase items to create crafts and to be able to do the activities included in the booklet. Cornwall Council has worked with partners to put together December craft packs which will include a printed version of the activity booklet and materials to participate in the activities inside. If you would like to receive this pack please ask at the office, thank you.

ST NEOT CHURCH EVENTS

20th December, walking nativity, 3.30pm start

24th December 6.00pm Carols in the Field, Warleggan

24th December 11.30pm First Mass of Christmas



STRUGGLING LOCAL FAMILIES ACROSS CORNWALL NEED YOUR HELP

Two weeks ago the CHAOS Collective, a group of amazing individuals and organisations from across Cornwall, joined together to record a special Cornish version of the 'Do They Know it's Christmas' charity single made famous by Band Aid.

The Feed Cornwall song and video is part of a new campaign aimed at increasing awareness of the problems caused by food poverty in the country and raising money to help families who are struggling to put food on the table. You can view the Feed Cornwall video on the CHAOS website at www.chaosgroupcornwall.co.uk/feed-