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### GOVERNOR NEWS

Mr Alastair Cuthbert has stepped down as Chair of Governors at St Neot School and will resign from the board at Christmas. He has served the school as a governor for the last 16 years and has led the school to achieving Ofsted Outstanding status. Mr Cuthbert has been exemplary in supporting the school and has always had the children's and staff's best interest at heart. We are sure you will join us in thanking Mr Cuthbert for all his help over the years and we wish him all the best for the future.



### WILDLIFE AREA

In Wild Tribe lessons the children are renovating the wildlife area and would like to rejuvenate the bug hotel and make bird feeders. If you have any old plant pots, bits of pipe or logs that you no longer need the children would be very grateful for them. In the spring they want to build a butterfly feeder and monitor which and how many butterflies there are and also count the number of bird visitors we get.

### PTA HALLOWEEN DISCO

We are very excited to be having our Halloween disco again this year. It will be held on Monday 31st October from 4.30-5.30 in the school hall. There will be games, dancing and refreshments. Children are invited to wear fancy dress and entry will cost £2 per child. There will also be a small tuck shop where children can buy treats.



### PUMPKIN CARVING COMPETITION



Bring your carved pumpkin to the disco, any size, any design, entry £1 per pumpkin, prize for the best.

### VISIT TO THE PANTOMIME

Could you please return consent forms and payment for the pantomime by Thursday 20th October to guarantee your child's place please. Thank you.

### DIGITAL PARENTING MAGAZINE

You should have received the latest copy of Digital Parenting magazine today. If you haven't received your copy please let Dee know. We hope you will take time to read this magazine as it is full of useful information to help keep your child safe online.

### SPACE LAB

Out of this World! We learnt about space, the planets, stars and constellations inside the dome. Mr Barber was very engaging and the children thoroughly enjoyed this immersive and exciting experience. They said: 'It was awesome', 'It was amazing when the stars moved but I really like that the North Star didn't move', 'It was impressive and very interesting', 'Mr Barber helped me understand more about space'.

### NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

The Clerk to the Parish Council has asked us to pass on some news of interest. You may recall that last year the School Council wrote to them with concerns about the state of the bridge in the Doorstep Green. The Parish Council have now had a quote and the work will go ahead to replace the wood in the next few weeks. They are also buying new goals for the playing field.

### AFRICAN DANCE AND DRUMS

We were very sorry to have this cancelled at the last minute, the email received at 8.20am stated that their car had broken down. Thank you for all your donations of items for the Christmas Hampers, it looks like they will be well worth winning in the raffle!

### MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

The final total raised at our coffee morning was £231.60, thank you all so much for your support.

### SPORTS CREW NEWS

Sports Crew discussed going on a tour of a local sports stadium. We thought Plymouth Argyle would be a fun place to visit. It would inspire future footballing stars. We have asked Mrs Bowden and she said she will look into it for us.

### PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP

The Parent and Toddler Group is held in school every Monday from 9.30-11.30am. £2 per session for parents with children from 0-3 years.

### GLOBAL AWARENESS DAY

Next Friday we will be having a global awareness day in school with the focus on health and wellbeing. There will be 3 different workshops, one about sport, one about fruit and healthy eating and one about empathy.

### SPECIAL MENU

On Friday 4th November Donna will be cooking a special Bonfire Night menu of Fish and Chips or Sausage and chips or Mediterranean Tart with Couscous with beans, peas and salad. Chocolate oat cookie or fresh fruit. Meals will cost £2.30 as usual

### DO YOU HAVE TIME TO HELP?

We are always very grateful to those who volunteer to come in to help in school. If you would like to offer some time, even if it is an hour a week, please ask at the school office for information. You will need to undertake a DBS check. Thank you.

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

**HORSE WARNING** We have had reports of a horse with unpredictable behaviour on Goon Zion Downs. It is white and has been backing up to people and kicking out, in one instance breaking someone's arm. Police and animal welfare have been informed-advice is to keep well away from the horse.

**LISKEARD EVENTS** It's nearly half term and there are lots of Halloween Events and Bonfire/Fireworks Displays happening in around Liskeard. Families can find a local event to suit with just a single click. The link is <http://www.visitliskeard.co.uk/october-half-term-events/>