

Weekly Newsletter

Friday December 15th 2018



Reminders

Please could I remind you that access to the school site is limited during the times when pupils are likely to be present for the simple reason that we are trying to keep them safe. The gate will continue to be manned at the start and end of the school day and entry will only be granted to those people who have an authorised pass. The recent traffic risk assessment highlighted that parents are still reversing without due care and still trying to access the site at times of day which pose a risk to children. We would like to ask for your co-operation in abiding by this rule.

Christmas Concerts

Many thanks to all of you who attended the Foundation Phase and Nursery concerts this week. They were both a tremendous success and the result of much hard work by the staff in the two classes. Thank you so much for providing the costumes which really helped to make the performances so special. Thanks also to the Friends who provided refreshments and raffles for each of the three shows. Your support is very much appreciated.

Christmas Jumper Day

The children – and staff - looked wonderful today in their festive jumpers. It was their idea to add the money raised on the toy stall last week to the money collected today and send it all to Save The Children. In the new year we are hoping to arrange a visit from a Save The Children speaker who will come in and talk about how their money will be spent.

Attendance Our attendance last week was 96.15% which was just above our target of 95%. Ramsey Class were the best with 98.33 %. Please note that the dates for the National test which are administered to pupils from Y2-6 take place during the week of May 7th – 14th 2019. We would ask that no family holidays are booked for this time.

Staffing and class arrangements for January

In January Mrs Howell will return from her maternity leave and will be continuing as the class teacher in Dolphin Class. She will be taking all of the pupils who are currently in Reception and Y1. Miss Mansfield will be teaching Skomer Class from next Monday and all pupils and their parents have now been informed which class they will be in. Thank you to those of you who attended the 'meet the teacher' evening on Wednesday; I hope that you found this useful. Miss Abrams last day with us will be next Friday. We would like to thank her for teaching Dolphin Class in Mrs Howells' absence.

Parish Links

We are holding our Advent Mass and carol concert in the parish church on Friday 21st December, You are all very welcome to come and join us as we prepare for Christmas.

Friends' News

Thank you to everyone who supported this week's Christmas concerts. We will once again be making a contribution towards the cost of your child's Torch Theatre trip this year. The price per child will be £5 instead of the advertised price of £8.50.

Happy Birthday this week to Finley Turner who was 10 on Tuesday.

Cardiff Trip

Our Y5 pupils will be visiting Cardiff from Monday until Wednesday next week and staying at the Urdd Centre in Cardiff Bay. They have a packed itinerary for the duration of their stay and are looking forward to exploring the country's capital city. They will be holding a Skype session with the other pupils in Ramsey Class on Tuesday to share their adventures with their classmates.

Torch Theatre Trip

The pantomime trip takes place next Thursday morning for all classes. Letters have now gone out and permission slips must be returned if you wish your child to attend. A big thank you to the Friends who have contributed £3.50 per pupil to bring the cost down to £5 per ticket.

Topic Celebration Day

Next Friday all pupils in Key Stage 2 will take part in their end of topic celebration day. They have all been learning about life during the two World Wars and being asked to come into school dressed up as someone from either era. They now have considerable knowledge of the type of costumes they could wear and are looking forward to getting into role and really empathising with the lifestyle.

Congratulations to Cady McGuinness and Freya Hughes who were both presented with dance trophies in assembly this morning. Well done also to Lewis Reynolds who has recently achieved his 50m swimming badge and for his participation in last weekend's Christmas Pudding Run in Broad Haven. Well done all of you.

Merit Certificates

Starfish –Whole Class

Dolphins – Whole Class

Caldey – Brooke Valance

Ramsey – Logan Holman

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Next Friday is the last day of the extreme reading challenge. The winner will be announced in next week's assembly. There is still a week left to send in your entries!