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NEWSLETTER – FRIDAY 15TH JULY 2016

Dear Parents / Carers

A BUSY WEEK NEXT WEEK!

As we approach the end of term, our final few days are action packed:-

SPORTS DAY – MONDAY 18TH JULY

There will be a final attempt on Monday afternoon to hold the Sports Day, weather permitting. The event will start at 1.45pm on the school field providing the grass is dry.

LEAVERS' MASS – TUESDAY 19TH JULY AM

We say "farewell" to all our leavers at a Mass to be held in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel on Tuesday 19th July starting at 9.45am. Families of the year 6 children are invited back to school afterwards for refreshments and to share the traditional "Leavers' Cake" which is created annually by the chefs at the Buckfast Conference Centre.

FILM PREMIERE – TUESDAY 19TH JULY PM

On Tuesday afternoon, there will a chance to see the film that the children have been making about our school. The children are encouraged to bring their finest "red carpet" outfits to change into after lunch when we will walk over to the Schiller Hall (part of the Conference Centre) to watch the premiere. Adults, as well, are encouraged to dress as befits an "Oscars" event! The film starts at 2pm but will be available from the end of school on the website if you are unable to attend the premiere.

END OF TERM LUNCH – WEDNESDAY 20TH JULY

We will be having our last lunch of the academic year together in the Conference Centre. Tickets will be distributed on Monday to those families who have returned their order slips. The meal will start at 12.15pm and will be followed immediately afterwards in the Schiller Hall by the Leavers' Assembly and End of Term awards. The assembly will start at 1.30pm and will finish at approximately 3pm. Children can be collected directly from the Schiller Hall or will walk back to school in time for the normal end of day arrangements.

LAST DAY OF TERM – WEDNESDAY 20TH JULY

We finish on Wednesday 20th July and the children return to school on Monday 5th September. Full term dates are on the reverse of this letter. Please note the additional Inset Day on Friday 10th February. Week commencing 8th May 2017 is KS2 SATs week – please avoid any absences for appointments, etc. during that week.

KS2 SATs RESULTS

I am extremely proud to inform you that our Year 6 children have reaped the benefits of their hard work whilst at St Mary's School. This year's SATs results are marvellous – in Reading and Maths 100% of the children achieved the national standard and in the Grammar and Writing assessment test 89% achieved the standard.

This is a fantastic result and reflects the dedication of the children, staff and parents throughout their time here.

FETE THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the fete last Friday. It was a successful event enjoyed by all who came. The Year 6 children have raised around £100 with which they are hoping to treat themselves to a pizza lunch next week and FOSMs raised in the region of £250 after the bouncy castle and other expenses had been paid for.

ATTENDANCE FIGURES

8th to 14th July 2016

Venford	98.74%
Fernworthy	97.92%
Burrator	97.87%
Whole school – this week	98.24%
Year to date	95.56%

NON UNIFORM DAY WINNERS

The children in Otter house (red group) can wear non-uniform on Wednesday as they have won the house point challenge this half term.

ACHIEVEMENT ASSEMBLY

In our Achievement Assembly today, we celebrated the following successes:

Building Learning Power – Top Scorers!

Venford – Madeleine, Lolly, Ashley-Rose, Taylor, Natalie, Imogen,

Fernworthy – Emily R, Henry B-D, Emily W

Burrator – Matthew

Other

Swimming awards – Imogen

