

# ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER – FRIDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2017

Dear Parents / Carers

## SAFEGUARDING – KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE!

### Healthy Eating

As you know, the School Council recently met with the Chef from the Conference Centre to discuss the lunch menu and changes were made as a result, for example, the number of healthy puddings on offer has been increased. The School Council are now focussing on healthy packed lunches and would like to encourage everyone to make good choices. They are currently working on posters to put up around the school. These websites may also be helpful:

<http://www.nhs.uk/livewell/childhealth6-15/pages/lighterlunchboxes.aspx>

<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life-beta/healthier-lunchboxes>

Our current Healthy Eating Policy states:-

“Parents/carers are encouraged to provide healthy packed lunches for their children. Fizzy drinks, chocolate and sweets are not permitted in packed lunches or as snacks. Healthy packed lunch suggestions are promoted on a regular basis through the school’s newsletters and website. All packed lunches are stored away from direct sunlight at a cool temperature. Pupils are encouraged to bring packed lunches in a cool bag.”

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March – Ash Wednesday service

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – World Book Day (non uniform)

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March – FOSMs Cake Sale

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March – Comic Relief Day

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March – FOSMs Cake Sale

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March – Last day of term

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April – Pupils return

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April – Class photos

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May – KS2 SATs Week

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Burrator Activities / Residential Week starts

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Half term holiday

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July – South Dartmoor Transition Week for Yr 6

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July – Fernworthy Residential trip

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Last Day of term

## WORLD BOOK DAY

On Thursday, we will be celebrating World Book Day. We would like the children to come to school dressed as a book character of their choice. If they do not want to dress up they can come to school in their uniform with a “hint” of a character, for example, a red and white striped jumper (Where’s Wally?) or a wand (Harry Potter).

## COMIC RELIEF – RED NOSE DAY

Advance notice - A small number of Red Noses will be available to buy from school in the run up to Red Nose Day (Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March). They will cost £1 each.

## PUPIL PROGRESS MEETINGS

Thank you to everyone who came to the Pupil Progress Meetings this week. If you were unable to come for any reason, please contact your child’s class teacher to arrange for a quick chat about your child’s progress and how we can work together to help your child fulfil their potential.

## ATTENDANCE FIGURES

10<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2017

Meldon	96.55%
Venford	99.46%
Fernworthy	86.96%
Burrator	97.92%
<b>Whole school – this week</b>	<b>95.05%</b>
<b>Year to date</b>	<b>95.17%</b>

**This Year’s Target is 96%**

## ACTS OF WORSHIP

The focus for the acts of worship and prayers in class next week is “God’s promise of love fills our lives and makes us a special people.”

## ACHIEVEMENT ASSEMBLY

Today we celebrated the following successes in our achievement assembly:

### Building Learning Power –Top Scorers!

Meldon – Poppy, Olivia J, Winnie

Venford – Priya, Madeleine, Lillie H, Piotr

Fernworthy – Daisy M, Hannah W, Nicole, George R, Aidan C-W

Burrator – George W, Henry M, Emily R, Daniel, Lily L

