

# ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER – FRIDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2016

Dear Parents / Carers

## SAFEGUARDING – KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE

Selfiecop is a new app that protects children and teenagers from the dangers of sexting and selfies. Selfiecop works by emailing parents a copy of every photo or video taken on their child's smartphone or tablet. This includes photos and videos captured by the most popular social networking apps. For more information go to: [www.selfiecop.com](http://www.selfiecop.com)

## BOOK FAIR

Thank you to everyone who has supported the Book Fair so far this week. There will be a last chance to buy items on Monday. The names of all children who have bought anything will be put into a draw to win a £5 book voucher which they will be able to spend at the Fair before it is taken away on Wednesday.

## OFSTED REPORT

This week, your child should have brought home a copy of the Ofsted report from our recent inspection. It has also been sent via email to all parents / carers who receive the newsletters, etc. electronically and it will also be on the Ofsted website from Monday but if you would like a hardcopy of the report, please ask in the office.

## DIARY DATES

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November - Scholastic Book Fair  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November – Flu clinic in school for pupils  
Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December – Burrator out St Nicholas Day  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December – Christmas Extravaganza 2.30pm  
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December – Crib Blessing (Fernworthy Class)  
Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December – Crib Blessing (Venford Class)  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December – Crib Blessing (Burrator Class)  
Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December – Crib Blessing and activities for toddler group and Meldon Class in school  
Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Carol Service, Abbey 3.45pm  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December – Last day of term  
**NB KS2 SATs Week – w/c Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

## ACTS OF WORSHIP

The focus for the acts of worship and prayers in class next week will be “God calls us to choose things that make a difference to people.”

## CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA

Thank you to everyone who has already brought in items for the Christmas Extravaganza which we are holding next Friday in the School Hall starting at 2.30pm. If you can help during the afternoon, please let Miss Slack know.

The children can come in non-uniform (even in their Christmas jumpers, if they want to) on Friday in return for an item for the tins and (plastic) bottles tombola, for example, bubble bath or biscuits, shower gel or shortbread (and preferably not beans)!

Also, your child will be bringing home a book of raffle tickets which we hope you will be able to sell for the draw which will be made after the Christmas Carol Service. Please could any stubs and money be returned to the office no later than the morning of Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December.

Thank you.

## PE KIT

Hopefully, all the children now have their PE shirts and they are the correct size. In future they can be purchased from school at a cost of £4.50. Alternatively any plain, pale blue t-shirt can be worn for PE.

## ATTENDANCE FIGURES

18<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> November 2016

Meldon	98.26%
Venford	96.63%
Fernworthy	98.74%
Burrator	89.57%
<b>Whole school – this week</b>	<b>95.26%</b>
<b>Year to date</b>	<b>95.25%</b>

**This Year's Target is 96%**

## ACHIEVEMENT ASSEMBLY

This week, we celebrated the following successes:

### Building Learning Power – Top Scorers!

Meldon – Isabel, Winnie, Dexter

Venford – Priya, Olivia Y, Chloe

Fernworthy – Imogen, Shane

Burrator – Jessica, Louis, Henry M, Serephina, Evan

