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NEWSLETTER – FRIDAY 19TH JANUARY 2018

Dear Parents / Carers

SAFEGUARDING – KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE

e-safety

Safer Internet Day 2018 will be celebrated globally on Tuesday 6th February with the slogan “Create, Connect and Share Respect: A better internet starts with you” and we shall also be focussing on e safety on that day here at St Mary’s. There are lots of resources available online, for example, the following link which will access a magazine for parents / carers called “#Ditto” which has helpful up to date advice and articles about e safety:- <http://www.esafety-adviser.com/latest-newsletter/>

PE Kits - DANCE

Some of the children have asked if they can wear leotards, dance costumes, etc. for the dance sessions. However, we have agreed with Mrs Saldhana who teaches dance, that all the children will wear their PE kit for these sessions.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 6th February – Safer Internet Day
Thursday 8th February – Dance celebration
Monday 12th – Friday 16th February – Half term
Monday 19th February - Pupils return
Tuesday 27th February – Pupil Progress Meetings
Thursday 1st March – Pupil Progress Meetings
Thursday 1st March – World Book Day
Thursday 29th March – Easter Bonnet Parade
Thursday 29th March - Last Day of Term
Monday 16th April – Pupils return
Monday 23rd April – Class photos
Friday 4th May – Non Pupil Day
Monday 7th May – Bank Holiday
Monday 14th May – KS2 SATs Week
Monday 28th May - Friday 1st June – Half term
Monday 4th June – Pupils return
Monday 25th June – Burrator Activities Week
Monday 9th July – SDCC Yr 6 Transition Week
Tuesday 24th July – Last day of term
Monday 3rd September – Pupils return

HOME LEARNING

The nature and type of homework changes throughout a pupil’s school career.

With younger children it usually means the involvement of parents and carers in joint activities. As children work towards Year 6, the role will change and become more supportive. Home learning can take many forms with different expectations and outcomes and the amount and frequency of home learning tasks should increase as a pupil gets older.

However, home learning should not cause undue stress on the pupil, family or the teacher. Parents / carers who have queries about home learning should not hesitate to make an appointment to see their child’s class teacher who will be pleased to discuss this with them.

ACTS OF WORSHIP

The focus for the acts of worship and prayers in class next week will be “God has written his law of love in our hearts. It helps us to choose what is right.”

ATTENDANCE FIGURES

12th – 18th January 2018

Meldon	96.94%
Venford	90.00%
Fernworthy	97.30%
Burrator	82.67%
Whole school this week	90.83%
Year to date	95.96%

This Year’s Target - 96%

ACHIEVEMENT ASSEMBLY

Today, we celebrated the following successes in our achievement assembly:



Building Learning Power –Top Scorers!

Meldon – **Peter, Ollie**
Fernworthy – **Hollie P, Oscar**

Venford – **Isabel, Winnie**
Burrator – **Henry, Lily L**

Other

Ty – Archery certificate

Poppy M, Natalie, Jessica – took part in Philosophy and Ethics workshop at South Dartmoor

