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NEWSLETTER – FRIDAY 2ND FEBRUARY 2018

Dear Parents / Carers

SAFEGUARDING – SAFER INTERNET DAY

Tuesday 6th February

**“Create, Connect and Share Respect:
A better internet starts with you”.**

The children will be focussing on staying safe online during their computing lessons on Tuesday. To help you support them with this, your child will be bringing home a comprehensive information and online resources sheet today.

JOINT LITTLE LAMBS AND MELDON SESSION

On Monday, as it is the last week before half term, the toddler group will be joining Meldon for activities in the Hall from 9 to 10.15am.

DANCE CELEBRATION

Parents and carers are invited to join us for a celebration of the dance sessions that the children have been doing with Marina Saldhana this half term. The performance will start at 2.45pm in the School Hall.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

I'm delighted that a few families have enquired about the possibility of their children receiving their First Holy Communion, so I am taking this opportunity to enquire whether there are any other families who would like their children to do this. If there are sufficient numbers, the Headteacher has very kindly offered to prepare the children for this important next step in their Catholic life. Anyone receiving this Sacrament must be a baptized Roman Catholic and be around seven years old or older this summer. Please contact Miss Slack to register your interest.
Fr Francis

SCHOOL COUNCIL

The School Council will be kept busy next week as they are organising a fundraiser for Cancer Research on Friday. The Council have asked the children to bring in a £1 donation and they will all take part in a fitness circuit during their PE session with Coach Jordan.

On Monday, the School Councillors will also be meeting with John Hughes, the Conference Centre Catering Manager, to discuss new meals for the school lunch menu. Mr Hughes and Mr Jessop, the chef, will be kindly bringing along some taster dishes for them to try!

ATTENDANCE FIGURES

26th January – 1st February 2018



Meldon	98.47%
Venford	76.67%
Fernworthy	96.52%
Burrator	85.27%
Whole school this week	88.90%
Year to date	95.38%

Chickenpox

As you may be aware, a lot of children have been off with chickenpox. The Public Health England advice is that children should be excluded from school for five days from the onset of the rash. Blisters on the rash should be dry and crusted over.

ACTS OF WORSHIP

The focus for the acts of worship and prayers in class next week will be “The earth is full of God’s love, God’s power and God’s glory.”

ACHIEVEMENT ASSEMBLY

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



Building Learning Power –Top Scorers!

Meldon – Alexander, Edward
Fernworthy – Caoimhin, Ty

Venford – Theo, Olivia J
Burrator – Finley, Olivia K



Sports Certificates

Following feedback from the PE questionnaires last term, we will be celebrating sporting success with new Sports Certificates which Coach Jordan will be presenting in our achievement assemblies. We hope this will also help parents and carers learn more about the sport taking place in school. Our latest winners will be told today and will receive their certificates at next week’s assembly.