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NEWSLETTER – FRIDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 2018

Dear Parents / Carers

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN – Keeping children safe

Mobile phones – In the interests of the safety of our children and to reinforce a culture of no mobile phones on site, we would ask that parents / carers delivering and collecting their children put their phones away at the door of the school. Thank you.

Car park safety – Please could drivers take care when using the car park and abide by the signposting. The only vehicle which does not need to follow the directional arrows is the school bus when it leaves after school as the driver has been asked to do this to make more parking available to parents and carers.

Online safety - On the reverse of this letter is a copy of the Scomis Online Safety Newsletter for parents and carers. Scomis is the company which the school uses for IT systems support and has some timely information about online safety with Christmas approaching.

VICTORIAN DAY – TUESDAY 4TH DECEMBER

Just a reminder that the children need to come into school dressed as Victorians this Tuesday, 4th December, and that there will be a display of photographs, etc. in the Library from St Mary's in years gone by. Parents and carers are welcome to come and look at the display after school on Tuesday.

NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS!

Monday 3rd & Tuesday 4th December – Book Fair
 Tuesday 4th December – 125th Anniversary Celebration
 Wednesday 5th December – Buckfastleigh Xmas Fair
 Thursday 6th December – St Nicholas Day, Burrator
 Thursday 6th December – Crib blessing, Venford Class
 Friday 7th December – Flu immunisation
 Friday 7th December – Crib blessing, Burrator Class

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.”

GUESS THE WEIGHT

Thank you to everyone who took part in the “Guess the Weight of the Cake” competition run by Nicole and Jack. The actual weight was 1.564kg and the closest guess was Mrs Henderson. Thank you once again to Mrs Blackmore for the lovely prize.

CHRISTMAS LETTER – MORE INFO

Hopefully your child will have delivered the Christmas letter to you with all the dates and events coming up.

In addition to the information in that letter, we will also be supporting Save the Children with a Christmas Jumper Day but ours will be the last day of term, Wednesday 19th December, so that it doesn't clash with our FOSMs Christmas Fair which is on Friday 14th December.

Our Christmas cinema trips will be taking place on 18th (KS1) and 19th (KS2) December when the children will be travelling over to Dartington Barn Cinema to have a special viewing of a seasonal film. The timings will be arranged as last year to help with the logistics of Christmas lunch on Wednesday 19th December.

Please join the children if you can for the Crib Blessings – the Art Club have been busy making sheep and angels for the cribs in each Parish church.

The greater the attendance, the greater the achievement.

ATTENDANCE FIGURES 23 rd – 29 th November 2018	
Meldon	93.41%
Venford	96.25%
Fernworthy	92.37%
Burrator	93.75%
Whole school this week	93.94%
Year to date	96.07%
This year's target – 96%	

ACHIEVEMENT ASSEMBLY

We celebrated the following successes in our achievement assembly today:



Building Learning Power – Top Scorers!

Meldon – **Ngaio, Cally** Venford – **Theo C, Mariska**
 Fernworthy – **Taylor, Cherry** Burrator – **Evelyn, Jessica**



Other

Saints SW Sports Certificates – **Maria, Rebecca, Oscar, Imogen, Evelyn**
 Gymnastics award - **Maria**