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NEWSLETTER – FRIDAY 14TH DECEMBER 2018

Dear Parents / Carers

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN – Keeping children safe

“Early Help” is the term used to describe the support given to children and families who have additional needs that cannot be met by the services that are already available to everyone (universal services) i.e. education, health.

You might need support from Early Help if:

- You are struggling with parenting or your child's behaviour
- There are arguments or violence in your family
- You are experiencing an abusive relationship
- Somebody in your family is abusing substances i.e. drugs, alcohol
- You or someone in your family are making unhealthy choices

A number of different people and organisations may be involved to offer you support in a range of areas and for different family members. Early Help is the way that EVERYONE works together to offer you and your family the right support when you need it most. The aim of Early Help is to support you and your family to manage dilemmas, resolve problems and prevent further problems in the future.

You can find out more about Early Help and how to access it by talking to someone you are already in contact with or receiving services from. Alternatively you can find out more information online at:

<http://www.devonsafeguardingchildren.org/workers-volunteers/early-help/>

You can also visit Pinpoint www.pinpointdevon.org.uk which provides information on different services and support groups.

DIARY DATES

Monday 17th December – 2.15am, Meldon Nativity. Please note time!

Tuesday 18th December – 9.30am, Cinema Trip – Meldon & Venford

Wednesday 19th December – 10.30am, Cinema Trip – Fernworthy & Burrator

Wednesday 19th December – Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 19th December – Pupils' last day of term

Thursday 20th December – Non pupil Day – Staff training

Monday 7th January – Pupils return

Tuesday 15th January – Reception and Yr6 NHS - Weigh and measure

Monday 18th – Friday 22nd February – Half Term

THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone, including staff, parents / carers and volunteers, who has helped or supported the many events this term. So many people work in so many ways to make St Mary's the special place it is impossible to name everyone individually so thank you all.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

On Wednesday 19th December, the children can come to school wearing a Christmas or favourite jumper in return for a £1 donation to the Save the Children fund. It is also our Christmas lunch so, if you are joining us for that, you too may consider wearing your Christmas jumper in return for £1 donation.

PEN RECYCLING

Hello everyone! I am trying to start recycling pens (and other things - but I'm starting small). I have put a box on the plastic display by the lift where any pen recycling that you have can be put. There is a clear list of what can and cannot be recycled on the reverse of this letter. Please encourage your children to bring any from home too!

Mrs Cherrett

ATTENDANCE FIGURES

6th – 13th December 2018

Meldon	91.06%
Venford	95.83%
Fernworthy	98.46%
Burrator	96.67%
Whole school this week	95.87%
Year to date	96.02%

This year's target – 96%

ACTS OF WORSHIP

The focus for the acts of worship and prayers in class next week will be “We must bring the love of God to others.”

ACHIEVEMENT ASSEMBLY

We celebrated the following successes in our achievement assembly today:



Building Learning Power – Top Scorers!

Meldon – Libby, Rainn

Fernworthy – Aiden T, Jack Y

Venford – Amélie, Harrison

Burrator – Daisy, Finley



Other

Saints SW Sports Certificates – **Charlie B, Rebecca, Ryan, Honey-rose, George**
Gymnastics Award - **Alice**