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Newsletter 11-11-22

Little Poppy,
Little Poppy,
Given to me.
Help keep us
Safe and free

I'll wear a little Poppy,
As red as can be,
To show that I remember
Those who fought for me.



SCHOOL CHAPLAIN'S PRAYER

Dear God

Thank you for the soldiers who have fought and died for our country.
Please help other soldiers who are still fighting in other countries like Ukraine.
Please help us to make peace with each other
And get along.
Amen

ATTENDANCE

Attendance figures for week ending Friday 4th November are as follows:

Year R 91.9%	Year 1 85.7%	Year 2 80.8%	Year 3 90%
Year 4 92.3%	Year 5 97.1%	Year 6 87.5%	89.8%

Whole school attendance this academic year: 94.2%

ACCELERATED READER

We are looking for some parent volunteers to label some books in our library. If you have a few hours to spare then please see Mrs Waiters or Mrs Hamilton. Thank you.

CLASS 3

Well done to Mrs Brown, Mrs Cusack and Miss Williams and all of Class 3. We have had 10 teachers visit (over the last week) to watch 'Excellent Practice' in Maths teaching. The teachers have come from a range of Plymouth and Devon schools in our Trust. Well done to the team.

PARENTING COURSE

There will be a session for Parents on Wednesday 23rd November from 12-3pm. This is a small informal group. If you can attend then please sign up with Mrs Bridges in the office. The session will cover:

- Anxiety and Attachment
- Bereavement and Loss
- Technology and the family

ANNE MANNING

Anne Manning, our School Counsellor who works here one day a week will be leaving at Christmas. She will be sadly missed. Miss Sarah Knight, who is a trained teacher and Counsellor, has resigned her position as a Teaching Assistant and will be working as a Counsellor at School on a Monday from January.

TEACHING ASSISTANT VACANCIES

We have a vacancy for a permanent full-time Teaching Assistant (33.33 hours/week, 39 weeks/year) to start in January 2023 and also a part-time Teaching Assistant (up to 17.33 hours/week, 39 weeks/year) to cover maternity leave. If you are interested in either of these roles then please see Mrs Hamilton for an informal chat.

PARENTS EVENING

Parents evening will be on Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd November from 3.30pm until 5pm. If you would like to make an appointment to see your teacher please call in at the office.

MUFTI DAY FOR STAND UP 2 CANCER SU2C

Thank you to everyone wore mufti in aid of Stand Up 2 Cancer. The school raised £33.90.

BAG2SCHOOL

Thank you for all your donations for Bag2School. The Friends raised an amazing £104.

NATIVITY

The Nativity Service this year will be at St Clements on Monday 12th December. There will be two performances; one at 2pm and one at 6pm.

MATHS CLUB

There will be no Maths Club on Monday 14th November due to a staff meeting.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX APPEAL

If you are packing a shoebox this year please bring it in to school next week between Monday 14th and Friday 18th November. These shoeboxes are distributed around the world to children who would otherwise not receive anything. Thank you for taking part in this worthwhile cause.

CLUBS

Places will be allocated on a first come basis. Please contact the school office.

Dance Club will be cancelled for the rest of the term due to Miss Corey being heavily pregnant!

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS	
Monday – Miss Knight 3.15-4pm	Maths Club - Years 2, 3, 4 (This will be offered to other Year groups during different terms)
Wednesday – Saints South West	Sports Club
Thursday – Mrs Cusack 3.15-4pm	FULL Activity Club - A range of different creative and physical activities (Years 1-6)
LUNCH TIME CLUBS	
Active Club	Each class has an allocated day. No need to sign up.
Story Time Club	No need to sign up. Enjoy a story at lunchtime with Mrs Waiters

FOREST SCHOOL

Please can children wear own clothes and have adequate footwear and waterproofs when it is their session. Forest school sessions will run for Year 1 to Year 6 for this half term. Foundation children will have their sessions starting later on once they have got used to being in school. They will enjoy outside play this half term in their outside play area.

Friday 18 th Nov	Year 5/6 Year 2 Year 1
Friday 25 th Nov	Year 4 Year 3 Year 1
Friday 2 nd Dec	Year 5/6 Year 2 Year 1
Friday 9 th Dec	Year 4 Year 3 Year 1
Friday 16 th Dec	Year 5/6 Year 2 Year 1

TEN TEN MAY NEWSLETTER

TEN TEN is the main resource we use for our acts of worship and assemblies.

They produce a parent newsletter each month for parents to follow at home with their children. The link below will take you to the newsletter.

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-newsletter/>

GUITAR LESSONS

Joe Dostal is currently running guitar and ukulele lessons at our school. If your child is interested in learning either of these instruments then please contact Joe directly.



MEAL BOOKING SYSTEM WITH CHARTWELLS

Chartwells is our new catering provider.

They have set up a booking and payment system called Parent Pay where you can order and pay for your child's meals for the week.

If your child is in Years R, 1 and 2 or you are entitled to free school meals then the meals are free (paid for by the government) but you will still have to order them in advance on the ParentPay site.

Please also apply for free school meals using the link on the bottom of our School website home page if you think you may be entitled to them.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 14 th Nov	Shoebox Collection week
Fri 18 th Nov	Children in Need Day
Tues 22 nd Nov	Parents Evening 3.30pm to 5pm
Wed 23 rd Nov	Parents Evening 3.30pm to 5pm
Mon 12 th Dec	Nativity 2pm and 6pm at St Clements
Mon 19 th Dec 2022 to Mon 2 nd Jan 2023	Christmas Holiday
Tues 3 rd Jan	Children back to school