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Newsletter 24-11-23

PRAYER

My little Lord Jesus, I love You and thank You for this Advent season. Please help me to understand all that You have done for me. Your loving mother held You in her heart and brought You into this world. Help me to do the same.

AMEN

CHRISTINGLE

Please can the children remember their Christingle for our Advent Service on Monday. Details on how to make these have been sent out this week.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

This year the Friends will be holding their Christam Bazaar at Townstal Community Hall on Sunday 3rd December from 2pm until 4pm. It will be £1 per adult to include a free ticket for the Christmas raffle. There will be lots of local businesses selling a wide range of products, DJ Crunchy Carrot, Santa's Grotto, a Bouncy Castle, Christmas raffles, Games, Competitions, Crafts, Refreshments and much more! Don't miss out on all the fun.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY AND SCHOOL DISCO

We are going to celebrate Christmas Jumper day on Friday 8th December. This is the same day as the school disco. The children can come in their disco clothes/Christmas Jumper. If you would like to donate to Save the Children then please donate directly online on the Save the Children website. More details about the disco will follow. Children doing Forest schools that day may need a change of clothes for their Forest school session (Years 2 and 3).



CHILDREN IN NEED

Thank you to everyone who donated to Children in Need. We've raised £90 so far and the Parent Pay donations still keep coming in.







OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES

Thank you to everyone who made a shoe box, Miss Dorricott very kindly took them over to the collection point at St Mary's Church in Brixham. The shoeboxes make a huge impact to the children who receive them. Many of the boxes are being taken to the Ukraine.

NEW STAFF

A warm welcome to Mrs Deakin and Mrs Chalk who have come to work at the school as teaching assistants and are working in Class 2. We are very fortunate to have a number of teaching assistants who work so hard to support our children.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance figures for week ending Friday 17th November are as follows:

Year R 100%	Year 1 92%	Year 2 100%	Year 3 98.8%
Year 4 97.1%	Year 5 90%	Year 6 96.9%	96.9%

Well done to Years R and 2 for 100% attendance. Whole school attendance this academic year: 94.4%

SAFEGUARDING

The NSPCC have created some leaflets (which can be accessed online from the NSPCC website) for parents/ carers that may help at home. Topics include positive parenting tips, supporting a baby, deciding when a child might be old enough to walk home alone and keeping your child safe online. All of these and others can be accessed from: https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/research-resources/leaflets/parent-leaflets

Saints Southwest

Booking Link - https://saints-southwest.classforkids.io/term/97

Please could Class 2 come to school wearing their PE kit (with their uniform in a bag) on Wednesday morning as they are first to do PE.

TEN TEN 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/

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sun 3 rd Dec	Christmas Bazaar at the Community Hall 2-4pm
Fri 8 th Dec	Class 1 Christmas craft morning- 9am – 10am
Fri 8 th Dec	Christmas Disco 3.15pm to 4.45pm
Mon 11 th Dec	Nativity 2pm and 6pm at St Clements Church
Tues 12 th Dec	Malou Evans – Storytelling day – all classes
Thurs 14 th Dec	Party day and Christmas dinner
Fri 15 th Dec	Last day of school
Wed 3 rd Jan 2024	Start of Spring Term
Wed 24th Jan	Bag2School Collection