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# Newsletter 18-10-24

## PRAYER

Dear God Help me to be like the good tree which bears good fruit. Fill my heart with your love and goodness, so that my words and actions are only kind ones. If I have said or done anything unkind, I ask for your forgiveness. Amen



# SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Please don't forget to apply for Secondary School if your child is moving up next year. The closing date is Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October and any application received after this date will be deemed as late and you may not get your first choice.

# **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - SHOE BOX APPEAL**

You should have received your leaflet regarding the Christmas shoe box appeal. Please help to fill a shoe box with goodies for a child that would otherwise have nothing. These shoe boxes are sent to children all over the world. Please return your shoeboxes after half term.

#### LIFE SKILLS – YEAR 6

Year 6 enjoyed a morning at the Leisure Centre learning about various Life Skills.









## CAKE SALE – WEDNESDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER

On Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October the Friends are holding a cake sale after school, please could you bring in any cake donations in the morning. Thank you.

## STORYTELLER AND MUFTI DAY – FRIDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

On Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October we are having a Mufti Day to raise money for the Catholic Children's Society and a Storyteller to celebrate the 10 year anniversary of Plymouth CAST. Children can come in their own clothes and bring in a cash donation for the charity.

## HARVEST CELEBRATION

Thank you to everyone for joining us in our Harvest Service.

## **CHRISTMAS CARD TEMPLATES**

If you would like your child to create a personalised Christmas card please complete the template provided. Please return any designs before Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October. There is no obligation to buy.

## **CHRISTMAS BINGO**

The Friends are holding a Christmas Bingo on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November at Townstal Community Hall. Everyone is welcome, there will be great prizes, a raffle and refreshments. The caller will be Linsey Little. Any donations of prizes will be gratefully received, the Friends are looking for alcohol, smellies, candles or anything suitable. No matter how small all donations are appreciated and can be bundled together to make bigger prizes. Please hand in to the school office before half term. Thank you.

#### **DEWERSTONE COTTAGE**

Next instalment of £20 is due 1st November

We have booked a residential for Years 4, 5 and 6 from 16<sup>th</sup> to the 18<sup>th</sup> 2025 July at Dewerstone Cottage on Dartmoor. This is an exciting opportunity which children always enjoy immensely. We are informing parents now so that there is plenty of time to spread the payments. Parents transport their own children to and from the residential to keep the costs down. The cost will be £185 to include food, accommodation and activities for 3 days. A nonrefundable deposit of £35 will be due by the 30<sup>th</sup> Sept if you are interested in a place. Please pay online at ParentPay. Payments will then be spread across the year. Please visit this link if you want more information- <u>https://www.spirit-of-adventure.com/schools/parents-children/</u> There are a few spaces left if anyone is interested. It should be a fantastic few days.

#### **CLUBS**

Clubs are available on a first come, first served basis. Oversubscribed clubs will run for 6 weeks and if your child is not successful the first term then they will be put onto a waiting list.

Tuesday	Multi Activity Sports Club - Miss Lauren
	Years 1 to 6 - (max 15 spaces)
Wednesday	Saints Southwest – chargeable – please pay
	on their website
Thursday	Art – Mrs Cusack
	Years 3, 4, 5, and 6 (max 10 spaces)
Friday	Photography - Mrs Todd
	Years 2 to 6 (max 10 spaces)

#### FOREST SCHOOL

Children come in own clothes (suitable outdoor clothes) with waterproofs and waterproof footwear/sun creams etc. Please can the children not wear denim as if it becomes wet then it stays wet. Children can also get muddy so please can they wear clothes that they do not mind getting dirty.

Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Class 3
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## SCHOOL PHOTOS

If you would like to order any of your school photos and take advantage of the free delivery back to school, then please order before Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October. Any orders placed after this will be charged delivery to your home address. You can order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit <u>www.tempest-orders.co.uk</u> Don't forget there is no obligation to buy anything.

#### **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 2024

Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Cake sale after school
Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Food Festival – Class 3 attending
Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Storyteller and mufti day
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Half term
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Staff training day
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Back to school after half term
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Children in Need Day
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Christmas Bingo 7.30pm at Townstal Community Hall
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Nativity 2pm and 6pm at St Clements Church
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Dinner and Party Day
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Back to school
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> Jan	Bag2School Collection 9am