



Friday 14th September 2018 Newsletter



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Dates for your Diary:

Monday 17th September ~ After school Clubs start this week.
Saturday 6th October ~ Treslothan Church Fayre—choir singing.
Wednesday 10th October ~ Tempest Individual Photos.
Tuesday 16th October ~ FTS Meeting 6.30pm-New members welcome
Monday 22nd - Friday 26th October ~ Half Term.
Thursday 1st November ~ Book Fayre arrives in school
Thursday 1st November ~ Halloween Disco.
Wednesday 19th December ~ Children Break up for Christmas.
Monday 7th January ~ Children return to school.



Welcome Back

We have had a wonderful start to term. The children came back full of energy and with a great attitude to their learning. Everyone has settled well and seem to be taking having new teachers, new classrooms and new routines in their stride! We know this can be tricky after a long summer holiday. We are hoping that next week most children (Reception—Y6) will be confident enough to leave their parents in the playground and enter school independently. Your support with this is greatly appreciated. Miss Buckland our new Family Liaison Officer is on duty every morning if you have any concerns or messages to pass on. We have also welcomed Mrs Williams a new teaching assistant into Year 6 and will soon have a new PE apprentice joining us in the next couple of weeks. Last year the attendance and punctuality of some children was well below National Average and this is something that we will be focusing on very closely this year with the support of our Education Welfare Officer. Parents are reminded that the school is unable to authorise any holidays and absence will only be authorised for exceptional circumstances. To encourage good attendance we offer small rewards for 100% attenders each half term and book marks for those children who achieve 96—99% attendance. This year we are offering an extra incentive for good attenders—any child who achieves over 98% attendance in a term will be entered into a draw to win £100.00 of Tesco vouchers for their family! Our first draw will take place in December, just before the Christmas break. Let's all work together to improve our children's attendance to give them the best possible opportunities in their learning. How amazing would it be if we became the best school for attendance in Cornwall! Our staff are really looking forward to working in partnership with parents once again and you will be receiving information about the curriculum and your child's class in the near future. Here's to another happy and successful school year.

Messy Church

Reminder: The next Messy Church is on Tuesday 2nd October. Come along and have some fun.
All children must be accompanied by an adult.



Secondary Transfer and Reception Places

If you have a child in Year 6 please make sure you have completed your child's Secondary transfer form online by the 31st October 2018

If you require a reception place for your child in September 2019 you must complete a form by 15th January 2019. NB: Even if your child currently attends our Nursery they will not automatically be given a place unless you complete the form. You can apply online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions. Your child will have brought home a leaflet about this earlier this term. For more information telephone 0300 1234 101

Troon Goes Cashless

We are delighted to welcome you to the Tuscasi Online Payment System. This will allow you to view balances, book and pay for before and afterschool care online along with trips, events and swimming. You can also print receipts if needed.



You will need to visit www.scopay.com/trooncommunityprimary-school and register. Follow the instructions on the screen and enter your details and add the **unique online link code** for your child which you should have received from us in the mail. If you require your link code again please ask Mrs Mankee or Mrs Emery.

It is very import that you get yourself registered as from the 19th October we will not be accepting any cash.

Before and afterschool childcare is now also booked through the same system and needs to be booked 48 hours in advance (the system will not allow you to book after this period and your account needs to be in credit to book items) In case of any emergency booking please contact Mrs Mankee.

Afterschool Clubs

All afterschool clubs will begin the week commencing Monday 17th September. Clubs finish at 4.00pm apart from Multi Skills and Tag Rugby that finish at 4.15pm on a Tuesday.

Teachers are giving up their time to run clubs so please ensure you are there on time to collect at the end of the club. We also expect children who sign up to a club to attend for at least half a term so if for any reason they are unable to attend please let either the class teacher or the office know so it can be marked on the club register.

Also a polite reminder that anyone still wishing to book a place on Multiskills, Tag Rugby or Football needs to pay the £10 fee on scopay to secure a place. Children will not be able to attend if this is not done.

Anyone that has not been given a club place will have been informed this week. All others have been successful in the clubs they have chosen.

Chicken Rota

As you are aware we are the proud owners of four gorgeous chickens who are extremely well looked after by our children during school hours. We are looking for some more volunteers to help with their care over weekends and holidays. If you feel you would be able to help please let Mrs Mankee or Miss Buckland know and we will organise a rota. Many thanks for your support.

Housepoint Cup Winners

Congratulations to our winners from the Summer term. They received their cups in last term's celebration assembly and will retain these for the next term.

They were: **Reception:** Malachi **Year 1:** Kaitlyn **Year 2:** Jacob **Year 3:** Chloe **Year 4:** Amber **Year 5:** Maisie **Year 6:** Oscar The winning team overall was Truro.



Water Bottles

All children from Reception to Year 6 have received their free water bottle this week. This ensures that children have access to water whenever they need it during the day. Being well hydrated not only helps with learning and concentration it also has many health benefits. Please ensure that water bottles are rinsed out every night, refilled and returned to school every morning. Bottles should contain water only. Thank you.

Term Dates 2018- 2019

Autumn Term 2018

6 September - 19 December
(Half term 22 October - 26 October)
INSET: 4 & 5 September & 20 December

Spring Term 2019

7 January - 5 April
(Half term 18 - 22 February)

Summer Term 2019

24 April - 24 July
(Half term 28 May - 1 June)
INSET: 23 April & 25 July

Hair

Polite reminder: Please ensure that children's hair cuts are appropriate for school—hair should not be shaved too close to the head and should not have patterns/ designs cut into the hair. Hair should not be coloured/dyed.

Long hair should be tied back at all times - this is for safety reasons and helps prevent the spread of head lice.

Thank you for your support.

School Uniform

Please ensure that your children come into school with the correct school uniform. Flat black shoes (not trainers), black trousers/skirt, a white shirt, polo shirt or Troon School polo shirt and a Troon School jumper/fleece. Long hair must be tied back at all times. We also ask that children have the correct PE kit, this includes black shorts, a PE shirt and plimsoles/trainers. Many thanks for your support.

Polite Reminder

The School day starts at 8.55am and ends at 3.10pm. (Nursery 8.45 - 11.45 & 12.15 - 3.15)

Please ensure your child is here by that time and picked up promptly at the end of the day.

It is very disruptive for classes and staff when they are constantly interrupted by late arrivals. Many thanks for your co-operation with this matter.



Free School Meals

Just a reminder that all of the in **children in Reception, Year 1 and 2** received a universal free school meals.

This is a government initiative and it looks like the children are really enjoying the wide range of food! The kitchen staff are doing a fantastic job and are providing really lovely meals—three choices each day!

Part of our school budget is made up of what is called "Pupil Premium" and this is largely based on the amount of children in the school who are entitled to free school meals. Unfortunately, with the free school meals for all infants initiative, we are at risk of this part of the school budget being greatly reduced if eligible parents do not still apply. We are therefore urging all parents who feel that they may be eligible, regardless of whether their child does or does not take up the meal, or whether they are an infant already receiving free meals, to apply. Any parents would be eligible to apply if they are in receipt of any of the following benefits: **Income Support; Income based Job Seeker's Allowance; Income Related Support Allowance; Child Tax Credit with an annual income of no more than £16,190.**

Please collect a form from Mrs Mankee in the school office. If you have any queries regarding this, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Remember if you are eligible and do not apply our school and your child is missing out on valuable funds.