

## Dates for your Diary.

**Saturday 7th October** ~ Choir singing at Church Hall in aid of RNLI  
**Monday 16th October** ~ Harvest Festival—2.30p.m  
**Friday 20th October** ~ Halloween Disco.  
**Monday 23th - Friday 27th October** ~ Half Term.  
**Tuesday 31st October** ~ Tempest Individual Photos. **(DATE CHANGE)**  
**Tuesday 31st October** ~ Secondary School Application deadline.  
**Wednesday 1st - Friday 3rd November** ~ Eden Residential Yr3&4  
**Wednesday 15th November** ~ Choir singing at St Rumans Club.  
**Monday 20th November** ~ Choir singing at Lowenac.  
**Tuesday 28th November** ~ Choir singing at Illogan.  
**Monday 6th November** ~ Nasal Spray Flu Vaccine - details to follow.  
**Friday 8th December** ~ Xmas fayre - 5.00pm  
**Wednesday 13th December** ~ Xmas Carol Concert 6.30pm- 7.30pm  
**Friday 20th December** ~ Children Break up for Christmas.  
**Monday 8th January** ~ Children return to school.

## Mathematicians of the Week!

Well done to the following children who received Maths certificates for their achievements in our celebration assembly on Friday:

**Hedgehog** Jack,  
**Beech** Chloe,  
**Willow** Kaitlyn,  
**Hazel** Hayden,  
**Oak** Eli,  
**Maple** Taiya-Mai,  
**Holly** Amber  
 Keep up the good work!



## Headteacher's Certificates for last week

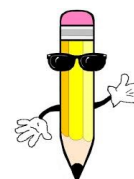
**Hedgehogs:** Layla & Eliemae.  
**Beech:** All of Beech Class & Oakley.  
**Willow:** Reggie & Samuel.  
**Hazel:** Layla & Kayleb.  
**Oak:** Dylan, Ben & Lily.  
**Maple:** David & Maya.  
**Holly:** Ethan & Scott.

## Handwriter of the Week!

Well done to the following children who received Hand Writing certificates for their achievements in our celebration assembly on Friday:

**Rec** - Ana Luisa  
**Willow** - Faith  
**Oak** - Rayne  
**Holly** - Scott

**Beech** - Saul  
**Hazel** - Lily  
**Maple** - Jack



## Netball

Our netball team have a match on Monday 9th October at Troon against St Johns School. The match will start as soon as St Johns are able to get here - 3.20pm approximately. Please come along and support the team.



## School Uniform

A lot of time has been spent by parents and staff looking for lost uniform this week. Please ensure that all clothing is named clearly This makes it much easier to return it to its rightful owner. Thanks for your continued support.



## Pokemon Cards/Fidget Spinners

As from Monday 2nd October Pokemon Cards & Fidget spinners are now banned in school. They have been causing far too many disagreements and issues between the children. Thank you for your support.



## HELP RAISE FUNDS FOR THE RNLI

Troon Village association will be raising money for the RNLI at Troon Church Hall on Saturday 7th October.

The Sea Creature posters will be on display & the School choir will be performing at 11.45am

Please come along and support a great cause - All welcome



### Tempest Photos - Date Change

Tempest will be in school on Tuesday 31st October to take individual photos.  
If you would like a family photo with children that are not currently attending school then these will be taken first.  
Please come to the school hall at 8.30am.  
Siblings already in school will be taken automatically. Please do not bring them at 8.30am.



### Polite Reminder

**Last week 316 minutes of learning time was lost due to late arrivals!**  
The School day starts at 8.55am and ends at 3.10pm. (Nursery 8.45am - 11.45a.m)  
Please ensure your child is here by that time and picked up promptly at the end of the day.  
(If you are late collecting your child they will be put into afterschool care and there will be a charge for this service)  
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.



### 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 2017.**

If you require a reception place for your child in September 2018 you must complete a form by 15th January 2017. 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](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions). Your child will have brought home a leaflet about this earlier this term.

### Breakfast Club & Afterschool Childcare Bookings

A polite reminder to parents that bookings should be made in advance for breakfast and after school club childcare. The school needs to be informed no later than 3.30pm the day before a place is required. As the clubs are getting quite busy **so spaces are limited** it is vitally important that we know numbers so there is the right level of adult supervision and the right amount of breakfast or snack available. Our terms and conditions are available on the school website along with our booking form.

We do understand that there are occasional emergencies and we will obviously support families if and when these unforeseen situations arise. If less than 24 hours notice is given to cancel a booked place parents will still be charged.  
Many thanks for your support with this matter.

### Data Collection Sheets - Very Important

All children should have received a Data Collection Sheet. **There are still some children that have not returned them**  
Please complete and return to school as soon as possible. It is really important to have all your contact numbers, home, mobile etc up to date on our records.

Newsletters are also sent out on a Friday via email so ensure your email address is also up to date so that you don't miss out!

Please notify the office of any changes as soon as possible. It is very important that we are able to contact you in case of an emergency.

**Even if there are no changes to make please sign and return the form.** Many thanks.

### Harvest Festival

On Monday 16th October we will be holding our harvest festival in the school hall at 2.30pm.  
Parents are welcome to attend this event and will be able to arrive from 2.15pm when the doors open.  
All classes will be participating in some way. We will be collecting donations of food/ Harvest gifts from Friday 13th October. Please send these in with your children.

On Tuesday 17th October we will be delivering our Harvest parcels around the village to older members of the community with the help of our Y6 children.

If you would like to nominate any one for a Harvest gift please fill in the slip below and we will add them to our list.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated by: \_\_\_\_\_



### CSIA Cross-Country Qualifier

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2017

The first competitive race of the school year and the weather was kind: dry with a hint of sunshine. Perfect for running. We had a strong team of 12 runners, some experienced at this level and two debutants, Chris and Yasmin.

The course consisted of a flat route around the rugby pitches and a final descent and ascent just before the finish. The year 4 children had to race over 800m, the year 5's 1000m and the year 6 children a mammoth distance of 1800m. Very daunting.

In the year 4 race we were represented by Dexter, Chris, Max, Jacob and Jess.

All of the children ran brilliantly in a very competitive field.

Aalayah and Yasmin ran the year 5 race with an added loop to the course. However, this did not phase the girls one bit with Aalayah coming 1<sup>st</sup> by over 100m and Yasmin coming in the top 15. The boys had a high standard to match and they did not disappoint with Jack coming in 7<sup>th</sup> and Kai hot on his heels in 8<sup>th</sup>.

The year 6 race increased the distance even further but Kira tackled that without trouble finishing in the top 15. George and Klevi followed in the boys race and showed fantastic determination in a strong field. George demonstrated his desire by sprinting in to 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the final 20m.

Children who finished in the top eight for their age groups qualified for the next round to be held later in the year. We will be represented by the following qualifiers: Aalayah, Jack, Kai and George.



**Dear Parents/Carers,**

#### **Information and Guidance on Term Time Holidays from the Department of Education**

The previous regulations (2006) allowed head teachers to grant leave of absence for the purposes of a family holiday during term time in "special circumstances" of up to ten school days leave per year.

However, as from the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2013 this has now changed. The new DfE statutory guidance states that head teachers may not grant any time off for holidays during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Please note that the Local Authority can issue a Penalty Notice for unauthorised leave or absence of 5 consecutive days (10 sessions). It is VERY important that the school is notified of any absence at the start of the school day as any absence taken without informing the school as to the reason why, will result in an unauthorised absence.

If a parent takes their child out of school without an agreed leave of absence then the absence will have to be recorded as unauthorised which may be subject to a Penalty Notice fine by the Local Authority of £60 per child. This fine will increase to £120 if not paid within 21 days. Failure to pay the fine within 28 days may lead to court proceedings.

If you do require any absence from school a request form is available from the school office. This request will be looked at but in no way does the completion of the form guarantee the request. The request can only be agreed for exceptional circumstances.

We understand that it is often difficult for parents to take children on holiday during the allotted holiday periods due to financial implications or their work commitments. However this is a change in the law and applies to all schools so it is no longer at the discretion of individual head teachers.

If you would like to discuss this further then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Julie Lamb  
Headteacher