

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our new Reception Children

We started to welcome our new Reception children last Monday. We are delighted with how well the children have settled into Mount Charles.

Attendance

On Friday 8th September, class 5RN and class 6TW won the trophy for 'Good Attendance' with 100% and on Friday 15th September, class 4LR won with 98.3%. Well done to class 5RN, 6TW and 4LR!

The national expectation for attendance is 96%. Holidays taken during term time will not be authorised unless in exceptional circumstances. We have planned INSET days either side of October half term to enable families to take holiday with a minimal impact on attendance.

Term / INSET Dates:

Friday 20th October – School Closed INSET

Monday 23rd – Friday 27th Half Term

Monday 30th October – School Closed INSET

Tuesday 31st October – School Closed INSET

Thursday 21st December – Thursday 4th January

Christmas Holidays

All term / INSET dates for the academic year can be found on our website.

Celebrating Success

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| Y1 | Caitlin William Alexander | Isaac Ellie-May Ioan | Y2 | Jasmine Olivia | Riley |
| Y3 | James Kane | Kimberley Hallie | Y4 | Millie Ellie Chelsea Emad | Toby Lily Tyler Holly |
| Y5 | Stan Zennor | James Ryan Phoebe | Y6 | Amelia Amalia | Mawgan Olivia |

Year Group Information Sessions

Thank you to all the parents / carers who attended our year group information sessions. We were delighted with how well attended they were. Hopefully you found them helpful.



Reminder: Latest school info., School Prospectus etc. are available via our website (www.mount-charlessch.org). Paper copies available, if required, from the school office. o:\newsletters\2017-2018\newsletter01autumn.docx

School Trips

It has been an exciting start to the term for Year 3 and 5. Year 3 went to visit Chysauster near Penzance to learn about Stone Age settlements. The children had a great time and we had lots of positive feedback from other visitors to the site regarding their fantastic behaviour. It was second time lucky for Year 5s visit to Heligan. The children had a great day sketching the mud maid and the giant as stimulus for their writing.

Year 6 Secondary School Taster Days

Year 6 enjoyed their first taster day to Poltair last week. They are looking forward to spending a day at Penrice on **Thursday 21st September**. The deadline for all secondary school applications is 31 October, 2017. If you require any help with your application please chat to Mrs Leggatt.

New Reception 2018

Do you have a child born between 1 September 2013 and 31 August 2014? If so, you will need to apply for a place in a reception class in September 2018 for that child by the deadline of 15 January 2018. Visit www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions for more information and to access the online application system.

We will be hosting Open Days for 2018 new reception children on:

Friday 29th September – 1.30pm

Tuesday 10th October – 1.30pm

Thursday 19th October – 1.30pm

Please spread the word and come along to meet our children and staff.

School Playing Field

A letter went home last week outlining the school's proposals for the school field. We thank you for your support. If you would like to sign our petition and/or write directly to the council then please email: David.Pooley@staustell-tc.gov.uk and richard.pears@cornwallcouncillors.org.uk by this Thursday 21st September. The school will be presenting to the Community Committee on **Monday 25th September at 6pm in the Council Chamber, St Austell One Stop Shop, Penwinnick Road, St Austell, PL25 5DR**. We welcome any parents that would like to come along and support the school.

PTA Updates

The PTA met for the first time last Wednesday. They are planning a number of events for the children throughout the year including a Christmas Fayre, Disco, Sponsored Event, Year 6 Leavers Celebration and Summer Fayre. They have a number of other great fundraising ideas. The PTA would like to invite you all to an informal coffee/cakes and catch up on Wednesday 4th October at 2pm. Please come along for a chat and to meet some other parents.

Autumn Term Cake Sale – Wednesday 4th October after school in the playgrounds – 20p per cake. We welcome donations of cakes to sell from children in Year 3,4,5 and 6. Many thanks.

Extra Curricular Activities

We have worked hard to increase our range of extra curricular activities after school and during lunchtimes. A timetable went home last week encouraging children to sign up. If an outdoor club is affected by poor weather we will text parents giving you the option to collect your child early. However, we will not cancel the club as we will supervise the children indoors until 4pm. A club would only be cancelled in exceptional circumstances if we do not have the staff to run it.

School Nurse "Drop in" Session

On Friday 28th of September we will be holding a school nurse "drop in." Parents are welcome to pop in to speak to the school nurse about any concerns they may have for their child's health or just for a bit of advice regarding fussy eating, bed wetting and managing behaviour, for example. This will take place at 2.30pm in the family room. Please report to reception and they will show you through.

Well done Krystal!

We are very proud of Krystal, 2AB who has made the brave decision to have her hair cut short so that it can be donated to the Little Princess Trust. The Little Princess Trust provides real hair wigs free of charge to children across the UK and Ireland that have sadly lost their own hair due to cancer treatment and other illnesses. This will take place at Camelford Boots on Friday 29th September.

In order to raise money for the Trust, Krystal's Mum will be selling raffle tickets in the playground after school on Friday 22nd September and Tuesday 26th September. Prizes include entry vouchers for days out and nail treatments.

New Prefects

We welcomed our new autumn term Year 6 Prefects during celebration assembly on Friday. We know that they will continue to be fantastic role models and help throughout the school.

| 6TW | 6RW |
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| Jess, Kacey, Becky, Keeley, Jasmin, Jasmine, Harry C, Harry B, Holly B, Holly C | Tilly, Owain, Kelsey, Mahala, Amelia, Millie, Aidan, Morgan |



Open Days

For 2018 Reception Intake

Come along and meet our children and staff

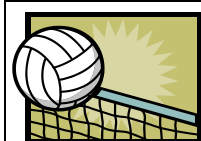
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| DIARY DATES | |
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| September | |
| Thurs. 21 st | Year 6 Open Day @ Penrice |
| Thurs. 21 st | Open Evening @ Penrice |
| Fri. 22 nd | Anti-Bullying Production |
| Fri. 29 th | Reception Open Afternoon for 2018 intake |
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| October | |
| Mon. 2 nd | Vikings Visit to Year 5 |
| Wed. 4 th | 2-3pm PTA Coffee/Cakes/Catch Up - ALL WELCOME! |
| Wed. 4 th | 3pm PTA Cake Sale in the playground after school – Please could KS2 children donate cakes – 20p per cake |
| Tues. 10 th | Reception Open Afternoon 2018 intake |
| Thurs. 19 th | School Immunisation Programme – Reception, Years 1, 2, 3 & 4 |
| Thurs. 19 th | Reception Open Afternoon 2018 intake |
| Fri. 20 th | INSET Day – School closed to pupils |
| w/c Mon. 23 rd | Half-Term |
| Mon. 30 th | INSET Day – School closed to pupils |
| Tues. 31 st | INSET Day – School closed to pupils |
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| November | |
| Wed. 1 st | Return to school |

Please visit the new calendar page on www.mount-charlessch.org to see these, and other dates, as they go into the Diary.



SPORTS NEWS



HALF TERM CRICKET CAMPS

23RD TO 27TH OCTOBER

@ CORNWALL CRICKET CENTRE

Softball Camps

- £10 per day
- Ages 5 - 10
- 10am - 4pm

Mon 23rd/Weds 25th/Fri 27th

Hardball Camps

- £15 per day
- Ages 9 - 13
- 10am - 4pm

(Must have played club hardball cricket)

Tues 24th/Thurs 26th

Please book your place in advance

For more details and to book your place on one of our camps go to:

www.cornwallcricket.co.uk/youth/holiday-camps

Or contact: m.kent@cornwallcricket.co.uk