

The Autumn term is in full swing and we are delighted with how well the children have settled back in. Autumn Clubs have begun, if your child has not yet signed up to a club, please speak to our office team regarding availability.



This term, we are excited to begin using a new tool to support teacher CPD. 'IRIS' is designed to improve primary school teachers' use of dialogue and feedback through using video technology for collaborative teacher development with a view to improving academic outcomes for pupils. It is based around a video technology system (IRIS Connect) which enables teachers to record, edit, and comment on teaching and learning. Please speak to your class teacher or Mrs McGovern if you would like to find out more!



Year 2 ventured to Newquay last week for their beachcombers topic. They walked around the aquarium looking for different species of marine life and had a wonderful workshop where they could feel different creatures of the sea. They then explored the beach looking in rock pools with their nets and found shrimp, limpets, different seaweeds and a goby!



Year 4 visited Plymouth aquarium and had a fantastic start to their Blue Abyss topic. They loved learning new facts. Did you know that 80% of all life on earth is found in the ocean? They took part in a workshop that taught us how plastic pollution is affecting our seas.



On Thursday, Year 3 welcomed Talons to school as part of their Predators topic. The children had a great time learning, touching and holding various predators, including a barn owl, monitor lizard, gopher snake, royal python and a tarantula.



Year 5 explored the Lost Gardens of Heligan to start their allotment topic. They visited all the locations featured in "The Mud Maid" and "Giant" stories they have been reading. They sketched in the gardens and bravely walked across the rope bridge in the jungle! They also learned a little more about the gardeners who signed up for WW1 and how the gardens were restored in 1990.



Phonics Information



Meeting



for

Reception Parents and Carers

Where - School Hall

When - Friday 11th October 2019

At - 2.15pm

Come along and find out about the Read, Write Inc. Phonics program and ways in which you can support your child with reading at home.

We are delighted with how well our new Reception children have settled into school life at Mount Charles. They have been busy getting used to their new environment:

"I am making a helicopter. Be careful, it will fly away if you take it outside!" ~ Riyadh



Our Year 6 children enjoyed their taster day at Poltair on Wednesday and are looking forward to their day at Penrice on Thursday. If you have a child in Year 6, you need to apply for a place in Year 7 in a secondary school for September 2020. The **deadline** for applications is **31st October 2019**.

Speak to School Admissions on 0300 1234 101 if you have any queries.



We will be celebrating Harvest on Monday 30th September. As part of the festival, we invite our children to bring in donations for our local food bank. St Austell Foodbank is run entirely by volunteers and provides food for families in our own community in their time of need. Please help local people in crisis by donating items from the foodbank shopping list:

- Fruit juice (long life carton)
- Instant mashed potato
- Instant coffee
- Sponge puddings
- Cereal
- Tinned fruit
- Milk (UHT)
- Pasta sauces
- Tinned tomatoes
- Tinned vegetables
- Tinned spaghetti
- Tinned soup
- Tinned rice pudding
- Tinned custard
- Pasta
- Long grain rice
- Tinned meat
- Tinned fish
- Jam
- Biscuits
- Snack bars
- Chocolate
- Toilet rolls

Autumn Census—Menu Change

Thursday 3rd October is the Autumn Census day. It is the number of children (in Years R, 1 & 2) who take up a free school meal on this day that is used to calculate our school meal funding for next term. We would therefore ask all parents of children who are entitled to the Universal Free School Meals to encourage their child to have a school meal on that date.

Even if your child only has a few school meals a year, it is important that they do so on Thursday 3rd October to enable us to receive the funding—any shortfall has to be made up by the school!

To encourage a higher take up, the school kitchen has made a change to the menu choices:



Sausage & Chips or Macaroni Cheese (v)

With baked beans or peas

Census

Ice Cream Factory

Parent Consultations—eSchools

Parents evenings will take place on:

Wednesday 6th November, 3:10pm—6:00pm

Thursday 7th November, 3:10pm—6:00pm

Sign up for Parents Evening opens on Monday 7th October at 8am and closes on Monday 4th November at 12pm. You will see this become live in your eSchools app. Please speak to the school office if you have any queries.



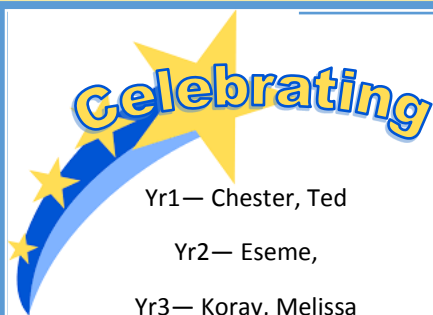
We would like to remind you that our PTA Annual General Meeting takes place on

Wednesday 25th October, 1:30pm. Everyone is welcome. Following the success and positive feedback of previous discos, our PTA will be hosting Autumn discos on Thursday 17th October. More details to follow soon.



The equipment in the playground should not be used by children, including younger siblings, before or after school.

Please do not park on the double yellow lines outside the school or block access for to residents' driveways on Morven Road.



Yr1— Chester, Ted

Yr2— Esemé,

Yr3— Koray, Melissa

Yr4— Amiera, Harry, Jessica

Yr5— Adam, Hayden, Hollie, Jessica

Yr6— Corey, Ryan

Success

Reminder

Term Dates 2019/20

Please note that our term dates for 2019-20 differ slightly to Cornwall Council's dates.

We group our INSET days to give a two week October half term and we finish the year on Friday 24th July, 2020.

Our attendance trophy was won by:

6TH last week with 99.7%

2LH this week with 100%!



Attendance!

Diary		Dates	
<u>September</u>		<u>November</u>	
25th	AGM for the PTA, 1:30pm	4th	Children back to school
26th	Meet the Teacher, Yr5	5th	Yr2 Trip to Flambards
	Yr6 Penrice taster day	6th	Parents Evening
30th	Harvest festival		EYFS trip to Kingswood
<u>October</u>		7th	Parents Evening
2nd	LGB Meeting	12th	EYFS Open Day—Sept 2020 intake
3rd	National Poetry Day	13th	School Photographs
	Census Day—menu change	14th	School Photographs
11th	EYFS Phonics Meeting, 2:15pm	15th	Flu Immunisations, whole school
17th	PTA disco	18th	EYFS Open Day—Sept 2020 intake
21st	Two week October half term	28th	EYFS Open Day—Sept 2020 intake



Free Drink
and Snack



Meet the
Robotic
Animals



ST AUSTELL
HEALTHCARE

VACCINATION FAYRE

Do you want to protect your child against
disease and stop infections spreading?

Are you unsure whether you or your children
are up to date with essential vaccinations?

Do you have any concerns or questions about
vaccinations?

Come along to our nurse led
vaccination fayre, for information and
advice, as well as fun for all ages.

Wheal Northey Surgery
September 21st 2019, 10am – 2pm

Free Glitter
Tattoos



Colouring in
Table

