## MOUNT CHARLES SCHOOL

## A COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN AGED 4 - 11

Mrs. C. Bunting HEADTEACHER



Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

## School Closure - European Parliamentary Election, Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2019

As you may already be aware, the European Parliamentary Election is due to take place on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2019. I am writing to inform you that we have received notice from the Electoral Officer at Cornwall Council that Mount Charles School will be utilised as a polling station on this date.

The school will therefore be open to the general public for voting from 7am until 10pm.

Despite extensive efforts made to risk assess and consider all options to remain open, in order to safeguard our pupils, we unfortunately have no choice but to close our school on this day. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause, but we are sure you will understand that the reason for this closure is beyond our control.

We have raised concerns regarding schools being used as a polling station and have been advised to register our concerns with the Electoral Services via: <a href="mailto:polling.review@cornwall.gov.uk">polling.review@cornwall.gov.uk</a> We would also encourage parents to log any concerns they may have as doing so may prevent this issue in the future.

Our sports day was scheduled to take place on the same day. Therefore, we will use our first reserve date of Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June as our new sports day. We have set a new reserve date of Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June.

Yours sincerely,

Claire Bunting Headteacher

