Friday 2 December 2022

2022 St Buryan Academy Rectory Road St Buryan TR19 6BB www.stburyanacademy.com BURYAN BULLETIN

The newsletter of St Buryan Academy

We had another great Forest School session making fire in the fire-pit

The children enjoyed sharing and putting up their st decorations

We enjoyed exploring the church

Congratulations to this week's award winners

FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL PRESENT ST BURYAN ACADEMY CHRISTMAS FETE

Biscuit decorating and games

Jolly jars, Guess the weight of the Christmas cake and festive Lucky Dip

Craft stall of Christmas decorations made and sold by the children of St. Buryan Academy

> Refreshments, cakes and Hamper raffle

Don't forget your pennies!

THURSDAYSTHDECEMBER2.45PMONWARDS



We are entering the final few weeks of term, and what a term it has been. We are looking forward to having you in on Tuesday 6th December so we can share our learning; we were visited on Wednesday by an external moderator who was really impressed with our children's writing and work they were producing - so it will be great to share this with you too. Come into the hall ready for 2pm where we will have a quick meet and greet before you visit our classrooms in your own time and take part in some activities set up.

Then, on Thursday 8th December, join us again for our Christmas fete from 2.45pm - where we will be joined by a special visitor! Bring your change ready for our stalls, refreshments and games organised by our Friends of School. They play a vital role in raising funds for our children and have already helped pay for IT equipment, new books, Forest School equipment, maths resources and have helped subsidise some travel costs all this term. Every parent and carer automatically becomes a Friend of St Buryan Academy but if you would like to join their committee then please speak to Abby Lockwood - thank you!

You would've also received our letter about our upcoming end-of-term performances. The children (and staff) have been working hard over the past few weeks in putting these together and again, we look forward to sharing these with you in our final week of term.

We also sent out our Christmas Dinner booking forms this week, please could these be returned by Monday 5th December. If your child has been away and therefore hasn't yet received their form, please speak to their teacher when they return to school.

Thank you for having a push on attendance with us, your co-operation is greatly appreciated. Well done to our Year 6s who are now at over 96% attendance - this is above the current National Average and it would be great if the other year groups could join them!

The past week has been a busy one!

Our Year 5/6 multiskills team came third in their festival on Monday. This means that in all three festivals we've achieved top 3 finishes and it has been great to offer our children these experiences once more.

There was more sporting success the week before as our football team took part in a football festival at Mounts Bay. In their two games they were undefeated in their two games, drawing the first before winning their second game 1-0! Our hockey team notched their first win of the season in the hockey league. It has been amazing to see their progress from having never picked up a hockey stick in September to holding their own against some experienced club players within the school league - a huge well done to them.

Our Reception children and Year 1s have been continuing with their Balanceability. This is a Key Stage 1 course that is provided to help develop confidence in cycling as well as raising road safety awareness and other skills.

This week Porthcurno Class visited Geevor Mine on Tuesday. The learned about the history of the mine and even got a chance to go underground! It was a highly enjoyable and interesting trip for everybody.

Today, Friday, we took Year 1-Year 6 out to the church to put up some decorations that the children had made. You can go and see their decorations by just visiting the church with a great opportunity being this Sunday as they hold their Christingle service at 4.30pm before the Christmas Light switch on in the village. It was great to take the children out in the community again, they thoroughly enjoyed visiting the church and exploring its features; they all represented the school superbly too!

Our Virtual Book Fair finished this week; there were some great opportunities to buy some fantastic books at great prices. We will be running this again, but a big thank you to everyone who purchased books - by doing so you have helped us access £100 worth of books that we can spend on our library and other books throughout the school. A big thank you to Mrs Rendle for organising the event; we expect to receive the books soon and will get them out to you as soon as they arrive.

Whilst on books and reading, please do ensure that your children are reading at home and are following the expectations that your children's teachers have set out. Being a competent reader helps your child access so much more of the curriculum and helps further their learning, increasing their thirst for knowledge. After your child has read, please sign their books or logs, even if one of our older who read independently. Children love listening to books too, so take 10 minutes when you can and read to your child, it can be a great time together and even if your child doesn't enjoy reading themselves, they love listening to stories. We know this because we see it every day and the enjoyment our children throughout the school get from listening to stories, whether it be a longer novel or a short-story with silly voices!

Have a great weekend Mr McDonald and all at St Buryan Academy

TERM DATES 2022-23

AUTUMN:

5 SEPT - 16 DEC (HALF TERM 24 OCT-28 OCT) <u>SPRING</u>: 3 JAN - 31 MAR (HALF TERM 13 FEB-17 FEB) <u>SUMMER</u>: 17 APR - 25 JUL (HALF TERM 29 MAY-2 JUN) 2022/23 INSETS 5TH SEPTEMBER 2022 21ST OCTOBER 2022 3RD JANUARY 2023 5TH JUNE 2023 25TH JULY 2023 26TH JULY 2023

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UPCOMING DATES

How -More writing opportunities in all subject areas -High quality, evidence based, writing teaching -Meaningful interventions to support children's writing -A promotion of 'love of writing' through meaningful and unique writing experiences

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To raise the progress and attainment of writing in all curriculum areas.

To raise the average attendance figures across the school so that our end of year average is 96% or inline with National figures.

How -Ensure that children are in school when they are able to be in order to maximise their time learning and enjoying their school experience

> To create collaborative provision across the community and Trust as part of the school's provision in order to raise progress and attainment.

<u>How</u> -Links to be made with community groups and organisations to deepen children's knowledge and understanding -Ties to be made with sports organisations and groups to provide more sporting opportunities for our children in specialist environments and coaches Strong ties with all our secondary schools to aid transition and to access subject specific teaching

> How -Ensure that our Local Academy Committee and all leaders within school are contributing to high quality teaching and learning

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Leading

Edge

To carry out robust monitoring at all leadership levels across the curriculum.

Our school priorities and how parents can help..

Every year we set priorities to focus on in order to continue the ongoing development of our school. Above are our priorities for this year, 2022/2023.

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As members of our school community, you can play a valuable role in helping us meet this year's priorities

-Promote and encourage writing at home. This could be writing letters to family, cards or postcards, or following your child's own interests. -Ensure that your children are not missing time from school if they are well enough to be here, or are late for the school day. If a child misses just five minutes of school each day then that equates to 3.5 days of school over the course of the year. We start our learning from 8.45am so being punctual is vital. Being 20minutes late each day across the school year works out to be 14.5 school days missed! Imagine the impact days missed on top of this add to!

-Celebrate teamwork and collaboration. If you are part of a group or organisation and feel that some partnership work could supplement our children's learning, then get in touch! -If you feel you can contribute to the school at a governance level, then see the Local Academy Committee section of the website for details

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You can view our school improvement plan on our website or by scanning this QR code





this year. St Buryan's Christmas light switch on takes place on December 4th Beforehand, the church will be holding a Christingle service

Menu

Week commencing 5th December

2022

MONDAY

BBQ chicken or Quorn wraps with salad

Oat Biscuits

TUESDAY

Roast pork or vegetarian sausage with roast potatoes and vegetables

Syrup sponge and custard

WEDNESDAY

\chicken and ham pie/vegetarian option with mashed potato and vegetables

Mousse

THURSDAY

Fish or vegetarian nuggets with chips, beans and peas

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FRIDAY Pasty

Marble cake

JACKET POTATOES AVAILABLE MONDAY - THURSDAY FRUIT AND YOGHURT AVAILABLE DAILY PLEASE MAKE ALL PAYMENTS THROUGH PARENTMAIL