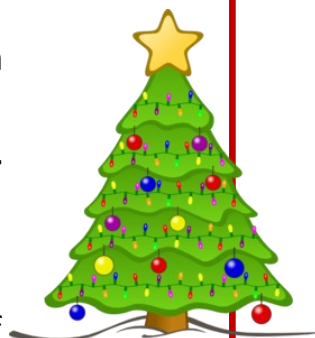


Advent Service

Our Christmas tree has arrived and all children are invited to **make a decoration at home this weekend** and bring it into school to place on the tree ready for our **Advent Service at 9.30am on Monday 3rd December** which you are all warmly invited to attend. This is a traditional part of the school year, with the eldest child in the school lighting the advent candle and the youngest turning on the lights on the tree. There will be a lot of festive singing and mince pies. Please come along if you can.



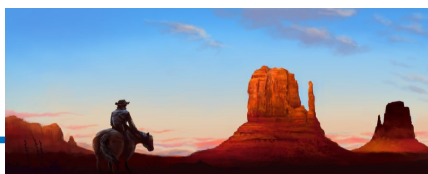
Christmas Performances

All of the children are busy rehearsing for their Christmas performances and everyone is welcome to attend the various events. The first of these is the Key Stage 1 performances **on Tuesday 11th December. Performances take place at 2pm and again at 6pm** in the school hall. **Wednesday 12th December sees the Reception performance at 4pm which will be repeated on Thursday 13th December at 2pm** also in the hall.

Tuesday 18th December sees Key Stage 2 putting on their Carol Concert at the Methodist Chapel in Chapel Street. This begins at 6.30pm and is a wonderful event. All Key Stage 2 children are involved in the singing and even the staff perform a carol. Parents and children from the EYFS and Key Stage 1 are more than welcome to attend and we would love to see you there. Also on **Tuesday 18th December at 9.30am** the Ducklings will be performing their Nativity in the nursery.

UKS2 Exhibition

Our UKS2 'A journey through the history of America' will be held next **Wednesday 5th December from 2.30-5pm** in the upper part of the hall and the Year 5/6 workspace. Please come along any time to see the fantastic work your children have been doing and please bring money if you'd like some refreshments.



Clubs

All clubs (except those below) have now finished for this term. Please collect your child at 3.15pm.

The last Roller Skating and Street surfing will be on Wednesday 5th December and the last Dance will be on Thursday 6th.

The new clubs list for the Spring term will come home in January.

Christmas lunch - Friday 14th December

If your child would like a school lunch on 14th December you must return a slip to us, (with the money if they in KS2 and not entitled to free school meals) by Friday 7th December. **If you do not return a slip, you must send your child in with a packed lunch from home as there will not be any spare meals available on the day.**

Ukuleles wanted!

Our ukulele club would be delighted if anyone had any spare soprano (small) ukuleles in any condition that could be donated to them. They don't have enough to practice with at home and would be very grateful for any, even if they need new strings or some TLC.



Christmas 100 word challenge

Please see the attached flyer for more information. We'd like as many entries as possible for our special Christmas 100 word challenge competition. The closing date is Friday 14th December.

Design a £50 note competition - Bank of England

Think Science, draw scientists! Tell us who should be on our new £50 note! We're creating a new £50. We want it to feature someone who's contributed to science. And we need your help to decide who that should be – by drawing your own banknote! Please see the attached flyer from the Bank of England about how to enter. Closing date is 14th December.

Trengwainton Lantern Walk

If you have booked tickets for it, don't forget to visit Trengwainton Gardens on either 7th or 8th December from 5.30pm to see the lanterns made by our Year 4s. Unfortunately tickets sold out in September so if you didn't pre-book, you will not be able to go in.

Decorated window

If you are in town, **please, please** vote for Bodrifty's Christmas window display which is in the old Lighthouse Gallery window towards the top of Causewayhead on the right as you go up. You can collect a voting card from one of the thirty eight participating shops. The winning school window will receive £250 of art and craft equipment and one lucky voter will receive £100.



FOAS Christmas Fair

Friday 7th December from 3.15pm

Please don't forget to come along to the Fair next Friday.

Thank you to everyone who donated an item or money today. If you haven't yet donated, we would really appreciate the following:

- a decorated jam jar full of goodies
- as new gifts/jewellery
- bottles and Christmas goodies for the tombola
- cakes and buns

There will also be stalls with items made by your child's class, we will be selling lovely class Christmas cards and there will be refreshments available.

We have lots of lovely raffle prizes kindly donated but please sell your raffle tickets & return the stubs and money to the office or your tickets if you are unable to sell them.

Visit to Father Christmas

This year we will be selling tickets to see Father Christmas in his special grotto **in advance**. There are 50 spaces and tickets will be on sale at the office from Monday at a cost of £2 per child which will include a chat to Santa and a present. Your child will still have to queue up on the day but will be guaranteed a visit.

If you can help set up and/or man the stalls, please put your name down at the office. Thank you.



Schoolmoney

When you log into Schoolmoney you will be directed to the website of 'Eduspot', part of Teachers2parents. This is the correct website! Please choose the **Schoolmoney for parents login**, not the school one and log in as usual. If you are asked for a user name and password, you are on the wrong screen and need to go back a page and click on the correct choice (see right).



Netball fun for Girls and Mums!

Would you like to come and have fun for an hour? Have you played netball before and would love to have another go or you are a complete beginner? If so, we're running a netball session at school on **Thursday 6th December** from 3.30-4.30pm.

All you need are some trainers, a drink and a smile!
If you would like to have fun and play some netball, please come and join us!

Girls welcome from Year 3-6 and any Mums, Grannies, Aunties, etc of any age!

Look forward to seeing you! Mrs Dennison



STARS OF THE WEEK

Robins	Eve	for her super Maths this week
& Choughs	Charlie D-K	for excellent Maths work
Puffins	Amelie	for her hard working attitude & great listening skills
Owls	Finn	for just being an absolute delight to have as part of our class
Kingfishers	Lily	for super writing and singing this week
Trencrom	Lola B	for making a huge effort to join her handwriting. It's beautiful!
Lanyon	Bea	for her excellent final draft of instructions on how to care for a Minotaur
Kerris	Issac	for fantastic improvement in his writing
Bodriftly	Esme	for inventing a fantastic timeslip story full of wonderful description
Bosigran	Flic	for trying really hard with her story writing this week
Kenidjack	Milly	for the stupendous high quality of every piece of work she does
Dinnertime	Brook	for her lovely smile & friendly nature
PE star	Kayson	for making huge progress in his swimming. You were amazing!
	Bailey J-W	for making huge progress in his swimming. You were amazing!



Twitter

Don't forget to follow us on Twitter @alvertonschool to keep up-to-date with all the exciting things that are going on.



LOST

Reece in Puffins has lost his black waterproof trousers. They have an elasticated waist with a toggle and are named. Please check and hand in if found.

CLASS ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Choughs	86.8%	11
Robins	87.2%	10
Puffins	95.7%	4
Owls	95.2%	5
Kingfishers	97.9%	1
Trencrom	92.9%	8
Lanyon	94.5%	6
Kerris	96.3%	3
Bodriftly	94.2%	7
Bosigran	97.3%	2
Kenidjack	91.1%	9
Overall school attendance	94.1%	

Our collective target is 96.5%

DIARY DATES

DECEMBER

3 rd	Advent Service at 9.30am – followed by mince pies and coffee for parents
7 th	FOAS Christmas Fair at 3.15pm
11 th	KS1 Christmas performance at 2.00pm & 6.00pm
12 th	EYFS concert at 4.00pm
13 th	EYFS concert at 2.00pm
14 th	Pupils Christmas lunch
18 th	KS2 concert at 6.30pm at the Chapel Street Methodist Church
20 th	SCHOOL CLOSES at normal time 3.15pm

The spring term begins on Monday 7th January 2019

