

## 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 on Monday ready for our **Advent Service at 9.30am on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December** which we would invite you all 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.



## Clubs

There will be NO Dance or Hockey on **Friday 2nd December** due to the Christmas Fair. Hockey has now finished for this term. **ALL Clubs finish on Friday 2nd December** except Band on 5th, Art and Circuits on 8th and Dance on 9th December.

## UKS2 Exhibition

Don't forget that the UKS2 Exhibition is on **Thursday 1st December from 5pm - 8pm** and will be held at the PZ Gallery (by St Anthony Gardens near the Jubilee Pool). Please come along if you can.

## LKS2 Exhibition

This will be held in the foyer of the Chapel Street Methodist Chapel and can be viewed the week before the KS2 Carol Concert when the Chapel is open. You will also be able to view it after the KS2 Carol Concert on **Tuesday 13th December**.

## Attendance

Mrs Daylak is available to answer any questions you might have regarding attendance, absences and holidays, after school every Tuesday.

## FOAS Christmas Fair

**Friday 2nd December from 3.15pm**

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

If you haven't yet donated, we would really appreciate a decorated jam jar full of goodies, as well as new gifts/jewellery, second hand books, items for tombola, cakes and buns. 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. **If you can help set up and/or man the stalls, there will be a board in reception from Monday so please put your name down. Thank you.**

## Christmas lunch

**Friday 9th December**

A reminder that if your child would like a school lunch on 9th December you should have returned a slip with their choice of turkey or vegetarian. **If you have not returned 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.**



## FOAS CHRISTMAS FAIR - Friday 2nd December

### VISIT TO SEE 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 £1.50 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.



## BAG2SCHOOL COLLECTION

### WEDNESDAY 7th DECEMBER

Don't forget to keep collecting your clothing for the collection on from school on the **MORNING OF WEDNESDAY 7TH DECEMBER**. Please bring your bag (or bags!) to the front of the school outside reception by 9am.

**Please don't bring your clothes in any earlier, as we can't store them. Thank you.**



## CONGRATULATIONS...

...to Roxy in Owls and Arthur in Lanyon on winning this term's 100 word challenge! Watch out for a special Christmas challenge coming up soon!

## Music lessons

Guitar and keyboard lessons will finish next Friday 2nd December. Drums, woodwind, violins and brass lessons finish on Friday 9th December. Unless we hear from you, your child will continue with lessons in January and you will receive an invoice and, for keyboards and guitars, a timetable.

## Carol Singing

### Saturday 26th November at 11am

Are there any KS2 children who would like to sing outside 'East of Here' in Chapel Street, Penzance next Saturday? We will be singing traditional carols and all KS2 children are welcome. This will be to celebrate the town's Christmas lights switch on that evening.



## Children in Need

A huge thank you to everyone who donated to Children in Need last Friday. We raised a great **£254.10**.



## Teaching Assistant Vacancy

We will shortly be advertising a vacancy for a temporary, part time Teaching Assistant starting in January. If you are interested, all the details will be online shortly on the Cornwall Council website

<http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/jobs-and-careers>

## Do you have a child in Year 8 at Mounts Bay?

An observant parent has noticed that one of the performances of our musical production of The Lion King on 25th May 2017 clashes with the Year 8 Parents Evening at Mounts Bay.

If you were hoping to go to both of these events, she tells us that, if you book the early slots, you should be able to finish in time to get to us for our 6.30pm start.

## Wanted!

Robins and Choughs would be very grateful if you could donate any bubblewrap to them. Please bring it to their class. Thank you.

## STARS OF THE WEEK

Robins	Evelyn	for super independent writing & lovely story telling
Choughs	Tegan	for great independent writing & a 'can do' attitude
Puffins	Hazel	for amazing story mapping of 'How to catch a dragon'
Owls	Ruby R	for her hard work & positive attitude to her learning
Kingfishers	Jasmine	for fantastic instruction writing 'How to catch a dragon'
Trencrom	Esme	for always putting 100% effort into everything she does & looking out for her classmates
Lanyon	Amon	for writing an excellent Victorian letter. You have worked really hard
Kerris	James	for approaching all of his learning with enthusiasm & a smile
Bodrift	Any	for writing an excellent news report about Anne Boleyn. You worked so hard! Well done!
Bosigran	Arlo	for fantastic concentration whilst painting his portrait. It is amazing
Kenidjack	Ben	for hard work, great attitude & a smiley face
Dinnertime	Milly P	for always having exceptional manners



## Lost

Thomas in Owls has lost his white school shirt, aged 6, Sainsbury make and it is named. Amon in Lanyon has lost a Nike sports bag with all his named football kit in it. Please check and hand in if found.

## Twitter

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



## CLASS ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Choughs	94.5%	7
Robins	93.3%	9
Puffins	96.1%	5
Owls	93.2%	10
Kingfishers	88.9%	11
Trencrom	97.7%	1
Lanyon	97.2%	2
Kerris	96.2%	4
Bodrift	96.3%	3
Bosigran	93.5%	8
Kenidjack	95.2%	6
Overall school attendance	94.8%	

Our collective target is 96.5%

## DIARY DATES

### DECEMBER

- 1<sup>st</sup> Advent Service at 9.30am – followed by mince pies and coffee for parents
- 1<sup>st</sup> UKS2 Exhibition at the PZ Gallery 5-8pm
- 2<sup>nd</sup> ALL CLUBS FINISH TODAY
- 2<sup>nd</sup> FOAS Christmas Fair – details have come home
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Guitar and keyboard lessons finish
- 6<sup>th</sup> EYFS concert at 9.30am & 2.00pm
- 7<sup>th</sup> KS1 exhibition/Christmas performance at 2.00pm & 6.00pm
- 9<sup>th</sup> Pupils' Christmas lunch
- 13<sup>th</sup> KS2 concert at 6.30pm at the Chapel Street Methodist Church & LKS2 Exhibition
- 20<sup>th</sup> **SCHOOL CLOSSES at normal time 3.15pm**

The spring term begins on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2017

