

The Prevent Strategy

The Government has published guidance for authorities, including schools, on their responsibilities under the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act, which came into effect on 1 July 2015. Under the Act, schools and other authorities have a duty to “have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism”.



We have written a Preventing Radicalisation Parent Guide to provide you with more information about this and which has been sent home with this newsletter. Further details and information can also be found on the Prevent pages (part of the Safeguarding section) of our website. Mr Higgs, our Designated Safeguarding Lead is also our Single Point of Contact for the Prevent Strategy. As always, if you have any questions about any aspect of safeguarding, please do not hesitate to ask.

KS2 Carol Concert

Please don't forget to come along to our Carol Concert on **Tuesday 13th December** at the Chapel Street Methodist Chapel starting at 6.30pm. The children will need to arrive, in full school uniform (including ties), between 6.10pm and 6.20pm. The band will need to arrive at 6pm. Please do not arrive any earlier. If you wish to view the LKS2 Exhibition, there will be the chance for you to do so after the service.

In order for us to have our final rehearsals at the church, we would like to ask you please **to arrange for your child to arrive at the church on the morning of Tuesday 13th December between 8.45am and 9am.** (If your child attends Breakfast Club on that day, they will be transported to the Chapel from school). We will register the children at the church and walk them back to school in time for normal lunchtime arrangements. Please could any children who are in the Band bring their instruments to the church on Monday.

A letter has also been sent home to all KS2 children about arrangements.



Reminder

Term finishes on **Tuesday 20th December at 3.15pm** (not Friday 16th) and the Spring term starts again on **Thursday 5th January at 9am.**

ESFA County Football Finals

We went to Wadebridge School on Monday 5th December to play in the County Finals. Despite most of the team not feeling 100%, we played our first game against Wadebridge. As a result we drew 0-0. As the tournament carried on, we played St Michael's hoping for a win. In the end, Freddie scored a goal that led us through to the semi-final. We then played St Petroc's in which Gonzalo scored a hat trick so we were through to the final. Our opponents were once again Wadebridge. As we began the kick off, we were very apprehensive. Just as we were settling into the game, one of Wadebridge's players kicked the ball up the pitch and tipped the ball over our defence before chipping the ball over Anto, our goalkeeper. At that point, defeat was on the cards. As the match went on, we took our opportunities but scored no goals. After half time, Freddie put in a pass to set Anto up who then scored in the bottom left hand corner. The score was now 1-1. It gave us a sudden confidence boost. Time ran out and it went to extra time. After 3 minutes each way, still no goals! Everyone's worst nightmare came true - a penalty shoot out! As Jake walked up to the penalty spot, he took the shot....and hit the post so we lost on penalties. Although we were extremely disappointed, we got a medal and Mr Hammond was very proud of us. The team was: Jake, Gonzalo, Anto, Freddie, Ollie P, Ollie I, Charlie, Daniel, Frank and Sid W. *Report by Jake and Gonzalo.*



Thank you

A huge thank you to all the parents, families and children who supported the Christmas Fair last Friday. An amazing total of **£1700** was raised which included **£526** on the raffle alone. Our staff have also given up a lot of their time and energy to help prepare and we are very grateful to them. Particular thanks to Heather Weeks, her FOAS team and all the parent volunteers who organised it so well.

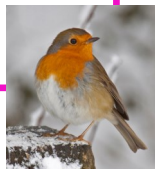
The following businesses gave prizes for the raffle and we thank them so much for their support. Apologies to anyone who has been forgotten from this list:

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| The Eden Project | Eureka Escape |
| Flambards | St Justin |
| The Full House | Big Dance Company |
| Sorcha Cubitt Beauty | Trengwainton Tea Rooms |
| Polgoon Vineyard | The Apple Tree Cafe |
| Sainsbury's Penzance | The Crown |
| Sound One Disco | |

A big thank you also to all the parents, family, friends and staff members that donated prizes for the raffle.

Attendance

To support our work improving school attendance, Mrs Daylak is available to answer any questions you might have regarding attendance, absences and holidays, after school every Tuesday until 4pm. She can be found in Robins classroom.



Singing lessons

Singing Lessons now available at school! Maria Heseltine has space for 8 pupils who will be in groups of 4. These will take place on Mondays at 2.45-3.45pm in the library. £5 per week, to be paid half a term in advance. 9th January - 6th February £25 or one lesson free if a full term is paid in advance, £45. Please bring the money to the office during first week of term. First lesson 9th January 2017. Call Maria on 07949387263 for more information.

FOAS Bag2School

Thank you to everyone who donated old clothes for Bag2School this week. £116 was raised in total. Please keep saving your clothes for the next one which will be next year.

Reading news!

Look out for exciting news about our new reading passports next term.....!



PE Kit

A reminder that all children (except those in Reception) should have their PE kit in school **all week**.

Clubs

ALL Clubs have now finished.

New clubs lists will come home for next term on Monday 9th January.

Christmas parties

EYFS - Wednesday 14th December

KS1 - Thursday 15th December

LKS2 - Friday 16th December

UKS2 - Friday 16th December - trip to the Cinema (afternoon)

Letters will be coming home about the Year 1-4 parties. All Year 5/6 cinema trip slips should now be back and payment made.



Trips for January

Letters have come home regarding trips for Year 5 and 6 to Tanglewood garden in January. Please ensure that you have returned the permission slip as soon as possible.

Year 1 and 2 are off to Newquay Zoo in January and all permission slips should have been returned and payments should have been made.

Music lessons

All music lessons will start again in the week beginning 9th January.

Jasmine Cole Productions Ltd in association with The Poly Falmouth and Four2Three Projections present:

A new Christmas show touring Cornwall this December!

Tales of Ice and Snow is an exciting new take on a collection of classic fairy tales; an enchanting, magical and immersive experience. With storytelling, projections, puppetry, live music and audience participation, this charming show will captivate audiences of all ages.

Expect light-saber duels, snow storms and mild peril in this fantastical evening of delight!

Thu 8th Dec 2pm
The Poly Falmouth (Toddler Friendly)
www.thepoly.org 01326 319461

Thu 8th Dec 7:30pm
The Poly Falmouth

Sat 10th Dec 2pm
The Poly Falmouth

Sat 10th Dec 7:30pm
The Poly Falmouth

Tues 13th Dec 6pm
Truro College
www.crbo.co.uk 01726 879 500

Fri 16th Dec 7:30pm
Liskerri Centre, Liskeard
www.crbo.co.uk 01726 879 500

Sat 17th Dec 3pm
Grampound Community Hall
www.crbo.co.uk 01726 883874

Mon 19th Dec 7:30pm
The Acorn Penzance
www.crbo.co.uk 01726 879 500

Tue 20th Dec 7:30pm
The Acorn Penzance
www.crbo.co.uk 01726 879 500

TICKETS ARE
ALSO AVAILABLE
ON THE DOOR

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Lost Property

The lost property box is overflowing again. If you are missing anything, please come in and check. We will be emptying the box at the end of term and sending it all to the charity shop unless it is claimed.

Lost

Hazel in Puffins has lost her **PE bag and kit** inside. It has plimsolls, shorts, socks and a T-shirt and all of it, including the bag, is named.

Freddie in Bosigran has lost his **bright green Saltrock hoodie** (Saltrock written in white).

Please check and hand in if found.

CLASS ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

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| Choughs | 89.4% | 7 |
| Robins | 92.4% | 2 |
| Puffins | 90.4% | 6 |
| Owls | 81.8% | 11 |
| Kingfishers | 88.6% | 8 |
| Trencrom | 91.2% | 5 |
| Lanyon | 91.3% | 4 |
| Kerris | 93.1% | 1 |
| Bodrifty | 92.2% | 3 |
| Bosigran | 82.9% | 10 |
| Kenidjack | 88.4% | 9 |
| Overall school attendance | 89.1% | |

Our collective target is 96.5%

Twitter

Don't forget to follow us on Twitter @alvertonschool to keep up-to-date with all the exciting things that are going on and to see some great photos!



DIARY DATES

DECEMBER

13th KS2 concert at 6.30pm at the Chapel Street Methodist Church & LKS2 Exhibition

20th **SCHOOL CLOSSES at normal time 3.15pm**

The spring term begins on Thursday 5th January 2017

JANUARY

9th Music lessons start

16th Clubs start

18th Swimming starts today for Kingfishers, Owls and Puffins



100 Word Challenge



Dear Alverton pupils,

Welcome to the Christmas edition of the 100 Word Challenge!
Please write a story about the above picture using **exactly** 100 words and then e-mail your entry to extremereading@alverton.cornwall.sch.uk Entries must be in by **Wednesday 14th December** and there will be prizes for the winners!

Good luck!

Mrs Clive



Come and Join the FUN At Penzance Tennis Club

Play from December to April

JUST £8.00 - for all players under 8 years

JUST £15.00 - for all players 8-10 years

JUST £21.00 - for all players 11-12 years

JUST £29.00 - for all players 13-18 years

THESE GREAT RATES INCLUDE :

FREE Tennis Session Every Tuesday Evening

BIG Reductions on all holiday camps

FREE Courts at the club

FREE entry into the Junior Teams

Reduced rates on Junior Coaching

Members get priority on all activities at the club.

Join our excellent Award Winning Coaching Programmell

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

MARTIN COATES ON 07787 124003 OR EMAIL:

mjctennis@gmail.com

PENZANCE BALLET SCHOOL

A Member of Cornwall Cecchetti Network

Tel: 07952 993 444 or 07958 471 205



Classes for all abilities, children and adults. Serious training in classical technique, Cecchetti Method. The syllabus has been designed to develop posture, strength, flexibility, musicality and coordination. Children are entered for the internationally recognised ISTD Cecchetti Examination Syllabus.

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Our Classes

- **Ballet Babes** (age 3-4) A fun introduction to ballet through games and imagery
- **Primary Ballet** (age 5-6) Discovering dance and developing musicality and story telling through dance. Working towards the first exams in ballet - Primary & Standard I.
- **Junior Ballet** (age 7-9) Growing as dancers and working towards formal Grade 1 & Grade 2 exams.
- **Middle Ballet** (age 9-11) Finding technique and strength and working for Grade 3 & Grade 4 exams.
- **Senior Ballet** (age 12+) Developing technique, strength and style. Working towards the formal Grade 5 & Grade 6 examinations and progressing towards vocational exams which are accredited by Ofqual.
- **Ballet Fitness** (16+): Conditioning and toning workout for adults, no previous experience required.

Classes are currently held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and Saturdays.
For current times and prices please phone, email or find us on Facebook.

for more information, phone or email:

Rachel on 07952 993 444

or Jane on 07958 471 205

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About Us

Classes taught by Jane Betts and Rachel Puddiphatt (both members of the ISTD and DBS checked). Experienced dancers and teachers. Jane Betts and Rachel Puddiphatt trained professionally. Jane in Cecchetti classical ballet at Arts Educational and Rachel in RAD ballet at Bush Davies School. Jane has taught for many years in several dance schools in the south east of England. Both are continuing their training and professional development under Kay Jones FISTD.

'The Cecchetti method of Classical Ballet is an outstanding system of training for all, from the small child through to the vocational student, professional dancer and future teacher. Founded by the inspirational Italian dancer and teacher Enrico Cecchetti, the method has a rich heritage and is part of an international network of Cecchetti organisations, including Cecchetti International Classical Ballet.'

As a faculty of the Imperial Society of Teachers of Dance, Cecchetti Classical Ballet offers examinations and qualifications for children, students and teachers that are nationally and internationally recognised for their excellence. Enjoyment is of prime importance for a young child beginning to dance and the Class Examinations and Performance Awards provide ideal opportunities for those attending classes for recreational purposes on a once a week basis. For children wishing to study in greater depth, there are the more technically demanding Grade Examinations. In all the children's work a steady build up and safe practice are of great importance. The Major examinations for older students and those at vocational schools are soundly based on Cecchetti principles and provide strength and co-ordination, together with a quality of movement which is second to none.' source: ISTD Imperial Society of Teachers of Dance website

Praise for the Cecchetti Method from Darcy Bussell, former principal with The Royal Ballet Company:

"The Cecchetti work has given me strength, discipline and co-ordination. It wasn't until I got into the Company that I realised how lucky I was to have had that training."

