

Lew Trenchard C of E Primary School



Weekly Newsletter – 10th January 2020

Together We Grow in Wisdom and Serve with Joy

Dear parents/carers,

Happy New Year to you all! We hope you had a fantastic break. We are looking forward to another busy term.

We will let you know our class themes in next week's newsletter. Also, we are currently in the process of changing our website, we will share the website address as soon as it is set up.

Miss Davy

Attendance for last Term

Yes Tor 98.4%
Great Links Tor 90.4%
Fox Tor 96%
Brentor 95.4%
Oke Tor 95%
Whole School 95%
National expectations are 96%

Please call the school office if your child is ill or late. We cannot rely on receiving Dojo messages, as the internet isn't great. Thank you.

School Improvement:

The new term started off with many of the staff attending Read, Write Inc training at the beginning of the week.

Please note there will be a parent/carer meeting on Wednesday 15th January in Great Links at 3.00pm to provide information about phonics and reading teaching across the school, as well as developing reading for pleasure.

The Read, Write Inc system will be implemented from Monday next week.

Toddler Group – Toddlers will return on the week of the 13th January with Herby
Playdough!! More information to follow in the New Year Please see the website/Facebook page or ask Justine for the activities list for the rest of the term. This is a lovely group of parents and toddlers/babies, which meet on Mondays mornings (9am-11am) and Thursday morning (9am-11am) during term time with the fantastic Justine, with a love of messy play, it is usually a good idea to bring along a change of clothes!
Each session is £2.00 and takes place in Yes Tor. Please bring your own snack. We hope to see you then!

<u>Wrap around care</u> – Thank you for your patience while we set up the wrap around care. This is now available to book via schoolmoney. Please can this be done in advance.

Please note that children need to be collected from Yes Tor (the pre-school classroom) – you will need to access via the wooden side gate, please ring the doorbell on the gate when you arrive. It is quite dark at the moment along the alley way, please be careful.

We are collecting the large round plastic tubs (i.e. those used for Celebrations etc) for food tubs for Dartmoor Zoo. If you have any empty tubs you would like to donate, please and in at the office.

School Money Payments – A reminder that all payments for School Dinners should be made *in advance*. If you have any issues with payment or access to the website, please see the office and they will help where they can.

Please could we ask that any outstanding monies be paid as soon as possible. There should be no monies outstanding now please.

<u>After School Clubs</u> – Permission slips have been uploaded on Class Dojo. Please let us know as soon as possible if your child is interested.

Tavy13

You may have seen on Dojo before Christmas that the Tavy13 is fast approaching. This is a great opportunity for the children to take part in an organised running event. They will run 1 to 1.5 miles each week in the run up to the main event in Tavistock on Sunday 29th March. If your child is interested in taking part, please collect an entry form from the school office. Running club on Fridays after school will work to complete these miles.

We have signed up to take part in The Sun Book for Schools Scheme. For more information on how you can help our school get some free books, please see the link below. Thank you!

https://thesunfreebooksforschools.co.uk/

<u>Car parking</u> – Please can we be considerate of our neighbours when parking for pick up and drop off.

<u>Census</u> – Next Thursday is the Census. This is an important data collection, which will affect funding for the next Academic Year. Please could we ask that as many children as possible in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 take school meals on this day, as this can directly affect our funding for school dinners. That day is Burger in a Bap, Cheesy Pasta or Jacket Potato. Thank you for your support.

<u>Priest Philip Conway</u> – All welcome - Monday 13th January 7pm St Mary's Church Lifton our new Priest Philip Conway will be licensed by the Bishop of Exeter.

Celebration Awards: End of Autumn Term 2019

	Child of the Term	What Would Jesus Do?	
Great Links Fox Tor	Elodie	Sofia	
Links	Daisy		
Fox Tor	Ellie M	Matilda	
	Alfie		
Brentor	Felicity	Evie	
Oke Tor	Pete	Poppy W	

<u>Free School Meals</u> – A quick reminder that Free School Meals not only entitle your child to Free School Meals, but can also provide the school with extra funding for your child to go towards other areas of learning. If you think that you may be entitled to Free School Meals, even if your child brings a packed lunch every day, you can follow either of the links below:

https://www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/school-meals

https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal_LIVE/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2fCCSCitizenPortal_live

An Daras Vacancies -

Please follow the link for information on vacancies within the An Daras MAT

http://www.andaras.org/web/vacancies

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 15th January – Reading Meeting, Great Links 3pm

Thursday 16th January – Census day

W/C 3rd February – Bikeability for Year 6

W/C 10th February – Bikeability for Year 5

W/C 17th February – Half Term

School Dinners – Please can all Dinners be paid in advance of at least a week via School Money * Sickness and diarrhoea - If your child experiences an upset stomach, they should be kept off school for a minimum of 48hrs, in order to minimise the spread the illnesses * Morning drop-off - Children should be at school in time for the bell at 9am. If your child is ill, or will be in late, please could you make sure that you contact school (01566 783 273) so we can inform class teachers. If your child is not in school by 9.30am, and we have not received a message, they could be registered as late, and this will affect their attendance * Wet Weather Coats - please ask that all children come to school with appropriate outdoor clothing – water proof coats for all children please, and wellies for Yes Tor. * Comments for Governors - If you have any comments or suggestions for the school Governors these can be placed in the red box outside of the office * An Daras Vacancies - Please follow the link for information on vacancies within the An Daras MAT http://www.andaras.org/web/vacancies







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