



Father God
 Help to be strong and courageous,
 Help us to speak out for others,
 Help us to stand up and be counted,
 Help us to do the right thing, not just the easy things. Amen

**'Be strong and courageous
 Do not be frightened or
 dismayed, for the Lord your
 God is with you wherever
 you go' JOSHUA 1.9**

Message from the Chair of Governors

This term has been a busy one in Governors' Meetings. We have welcomed our new Local Authority governor (Suzanne Witt) and said a huge thank you and goodbye to Dawn Ashby who has been a parent governor since 2018.

It was superb to come back after the summer break and see how lovely the KS2 classrooms were looking, having been decorated by Mr Jago over the summer.

We have heard all about the fabulous parental engagement from the new Foundation class and how so many parents are getting involved in their children's learning right from the very beginning. We have celebrated the significant attendance improvements last year and are pleased to see that the great attendance trends are continuing this year. In our October meeting, we approved the term dates for 26/27 to allow parents plenty of planning time for next academic year.

We also celebrated achieving the Gold Standard Sports Award (a grade higher than we were expecting) - a fantastic result. We have had discussions with Miss Field and Mr Pope about pupil premium and sports premium funding and the impact that it is going to have this year throughout the school.

Finally, we were delighted to celebrate that last year's KS2, MTC and Phonics results were not just excellent, but they were also above the local and national averages - well done everyone!

Ali Ryder – Joint Chair of Governors

Wrap-around Childcare Bookings

Breakfast and Kids Club bookings for next term will go live on **Monday 15th December at 6.00pm.**

Flu Vaccinations

It is not too late for your child to have their flu immunisation this year. Kernow Health will be running clinics at various occasions across Devon from mid-December, by appointment. Please see the poster at the end of the newsletter for contact details.

New Sports Equipment

Mr Pope has ordered lots of new sports equipment this term. The children have been learning how to do curling in the hall and Year 3 have been practising their hockey skills.

School Clubs

All clubs (except Kid's Club) finish on 04.12.25.

Please note – KS2 Multi-skills club is cancelled due to the Christmas Fair.





School Fair

Friday 5th December

3.00 – 5.00pm in the school hall

Tombola/Father Christmas/Raffle/Cake stall/Toys



Christmas Lunch Day

Thursday 11th December

Children can come to school wearing a Christmas jumper, party clothes or something sparkly!



(Please note – you can order a turkey roast dinner or a vegetarian roast dinner or bring a packed lunch from home. There will be no jacket potatoes.)



Christmas Service

Wednesday 17th December

At St. Andrew's Church at 10.00am



We hope you can join us for our Christmas celebration.

Warm refreshments will be available from 9.00am - kindly provided by St. Andrew's Church

(Please ensure your child wears a waterproof coat for the walk into town.)

Children in Need

Thank you for supporting Children in Need. The school raised **£320.00** for the charity by holding a non-uniform day and buying Pudsey biscuits from the kitchen. Many thanks.

St. Andrew's Day

We had a special assembly in school on Friday to celebrate St. Andrew's Day. We were particularly impressed with the lovely artwork created by Year 4!



Term Dates

Thursday 4 th December	Yr 4 National Marine Aquarium trip
Friday 5 th December	Christmas Fair in school hall at 3.00pm. NO MULTI-SKILLS CLUB
Wednesday 10 th December	Yr 2 class assembly in school hall at 9.05am
Thursday 11 th December	Christmas lunch day (festive clothing). Archery sessions Yrs 3 and 4
Wednesday 17 th December	Christmas Service at St. Andrew's Church 10.00am
Friday 19 th December	Last day of Term 2
Tuesday 6 th January	First day of Term 3 (Monday 5 th January is a non-pupil day)

COMFORT & JOY

Music & Words for Advent
in aid of Shekinah

7:30pm, Fri 5th December

Candlelit Community Choir
Carol Service

6:30pm, Sun 7th December

Nativity Service

10am, Sun 14th December



THE MINSTER CHURCH OF
St. Andrew
PLYMOUTH

Carols by Candlelight (*Doors@5.30pm*)
6:30pm, Sun 21st December

Christingle Services
2:30pm & 4pm, Christmas Eve

Midnight Communion
11:15pm, Christmas Eve

Christmas All Age Celebration
10am, Christmas Day

For further details head to
standrewschurch.org.uk



CORNWALL & DEVON
School Age Immunisation Service
Provided by Kernow Health CIC

School aged vaccinations

Did you know children
will be offered these
routine vaccinations
at school?

- ✓ FLU - Reception - Year 11
- ✓ MMR - Catch-up
- ✓ HPV - Year 8 - Year 11
- ✓ Meningitis ACWY - Year 9 - Year 11
- ✓ Diphtheria, Tetanus, Polio (DTP) Year 9 - Year 11

FLU

MMR

HPV

MENINGITIS
ACWY

DIPHTHERIA
TETANUS
POLIO (DTP)

Did you miss us?

We also have community
clinics across Devon for:

- ✓ Home educated children
- ✓ Anxious children
- ✓ Children who missed the session at school

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please speak with a member of the team

Call us on

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Christmas at St. Andrew's Church

Last Friday, we were invited to a Christmas craft evening at St Andrew's Church. The church sparkled with fairy lights and a small group from the community choir sang carols as we relaxed and soaked up the Christmas spirit. We had the chance to complete a range of crafts and were delighted with our paper bag stars! It was a warm and welcoming event, enjoyed by all who attended.

This Sunday many of us will return for the Candlelit Community Choir Carol Service at 6.30p.m. It's free for anyone to attend and I hope some of you many be able to come along to this or some of the family events listed above.