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## **Comments from the Acting Head Teacher:**

Our first whole school assembly celebrating our 'Skills for Success' will take place on Monday. I am looking forward to awarding medals to the children who teachers feel have demonstrated the greatest resilience this term..

### **Health & Safety**

Following an external audit at the school, we are delighted to report that the school achieved a 98% pass mark. Thank you to Mrs Gawman, H&S coordinator for ensuring the best possible level of safety for pupils and adults in our school environment.

### **Mobile Phones in school**

Following a number of high profile safeguarding incidents in schools and childcare settings across the Country involving mobile phones, and on advice from the Local Authority we are altering our policy on mobile phones in the school. We will now ask all visitors (including parents) to hand in their mobile phone to the school office. Pupils who bring phones into school already follow this practice and we are also introducing new measures for staff phones. Please contact Mrs Handel if you have any queries or concerns regarding this request.

### **Tavistock Wheelers Go Ride**

A cyclo cross event for pupils in years 3 to 9 is being held at Lewtrenchard School on the 22nd October, registration is from 8.30am. Entry fee £3.00.

### **Messy Church**

Remaining Autumn term sessions at St Eustachius Church are;  
Wednesday 2nd November "Light of the World"  
Wednesday 7th December "Messy Christmas"  
Contact Sarah on 07929911892 or [sarah.pendle0@gmail.com](mailto:sarah.pendle0@gmail.com) for more information.

### **Parent Toddler Group**

Due to the classroom moves there will be no Parent/Toddler Group next Wednesday, 19th October.

### **Year 6 Secondary School Applications**

The closing date for applications for the next academic year is the 31st October, if you have not completed your application yet please do so as soon as possible.

### **Parents' Evenings**

A reminder that the Autumn term parents' evenings will take place next week. If you have not yet booked an appointment please can you complete and return the appointment slip or speak to your child's class teacher as soon as possible.

### **Year 5 Bikeability**

This annual training will take place during the first week after half-term (31st October) Please can children remember to bring their bikes to school during this week and please can parents return any outstanding permission forms to the school office as soon as possible.

### **London Residential Visit May 2017**

The deadline for confirming a place for your child is the 31st October, if you have not paid your deposit please can I ask you to do so by this date.

### **Classroom moves**

C2 & C3 have successfully moved to their new classrooms today. Nursery will now start their preparation to move into the previous Reception classrooms, children will move after half-term. Breakfast and After-School Club will also move into the existing Nursery classroom after half-term.

### **KS2 Internet Safety Talks**

PCSO Kevin Williams will be talking to years 5 & 6 about internet safety on Monday morning. If you have any concerns please speak to your child's teacher.

### **Sports Matches**

Well done to our Football Team who played with great team spirit, sportsmanship and enthusiasm at last week's tournament. Mr Holt was very proud of your effort and behaviour.

### **Outstanding Balances**

We have lots of small outstanding balances on school meals, please can parents settle these or if necessary query the amounts before half-term.

## **Diary Dates**

### **Family Assemblies in the Hall @9.10**

Friday 14th October—Year 1  
Friday 21st October—Year 2  
Friday 4th November—Year 3  
Friday 11th November—Year 4  
Friday 18th November—Year 5  
Thursday 8th and Friday 9th December  
Nativity by Nursery and Reception

### **Events this Half Term**

Thurs 13th Oct—Internet Safety  
Parents' Meeting 6pm (no children)  
Fri 14th Oct—Multi Skills Y3  
Mon 17th Oct—Internet Safety workshops Y5 and Y6  
Mon 17th Oct and Tues 18th Oct—Parents' Evenings  
Tues 18th Oct—Tri Golf event  
Wednesdays —Year 4 Swimming  
Thurs 20th Oct—Children's University  
Gold Graduation @ Plymouth University

### **Term Dates**

Half Term—24th to 28th Oct  
End of Term—Friday 16th December  
Spring Term—Tuesday 3rd January  
Spring Half Term—13th to 17th Feb  
Easter Holiday—3rd to 17th April  
Half Term—29th May to 2nd June  
Non Pupil day—Monday 5th June  
End of Year—Friday 21st July

