

Padstow School Newsletter

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★ **School closes on** ★
★ **Wednesday 20th December at 2.00pm** ★
★ **for the Christmas holiday** ★

Christmas is Coming...

There is a definite air of seasonal excitement growing in school and we have lots of events to squeeze in to the last 2 and a half weeks of school before we close for the Christmas holiday.

- **The Infant Nativity** performances are on the 5th & 6th December. Doors open at 1.30pm for a 1.45pm start.
- Friday 8th December is the **Lantern Parade**. Year 4 have been making a large lantern in school and a number of families have made lanterns at home. Please meet at the Old Custom House at 5.45pm for a 6pm start.
- on Thursday 7th December YR, 1 & 2 will be walking down to the church to visit the **Crib Exhibition**.
- **The Carol Concert** will be at St Petroc's Church, Padstow on the afternoon of Tuesday 12th December at 2pm. All children will be attending with the school and all friends & family are welcome.
- **The Infant Christmas Party** will take place on Wednesday 13th.
- **The Junior Cinema Trip** is on the morning of Thursday 14th December.
- **The Christmas Fayre** is on Thursday 14th December from 2.00pm. There will be an array of stalls and games. All are welcome.
- **School Christmas Dinner** will be on Tuesday 19th December.
- **School closes** for the Christmas holiday on Wednesday 20th December at 2pm. We return on Thursday 4th January 2018.



Diary Dates

December:

5th & 6th—Infant Nativity 1.30pm
7th—YR, Y1 & Y2 visit Crib Exhibition
12th—Carol Concert at St Petroc's
13th—Infants Christmas Party
14th—Junior Cinema Trip
Christmas Fayre 2pm
19th—Christmas dinner
20th—School closes for Christmas at 2pm

January 2018:

4th—Spring term 1 begins

February 2018:

6th—Safer Internet Day
12th-16th—Half Term
19th—Spring term 2 begins

March 2018:

1st—World Book Day
16th—Sport Relief
29th—School closes for Easter at 2pm

April 2018:

16th—Summer term 1 begins
30th—Strike Up

May 2018:

1st—School Closed: May Day

14th-18th—SATs Week
29th—Half Term

June 2018:

4th—Summer term 2 begins

July 2018:

2nd-6th—Year 6 Transition Week
18th Summer Fayre
20th—School closes for summer 2pm

Polite reminder:

Children's drinks bottles **MUST** only contain water. Thank you for your support.

Christmas Fayre

The school Christmas Fayre takes place on Thursday 14th December from 2.00pm. Parents/Carers can collect children from their exterior classroom doors from 2.00pm. All parent/carers must sign the form in the classroom when they collect any child. The child then becomes that adult's responsibility. Any children not collected by a parent/carer will watch a film in the classroom. They will have the opportunity to be taken round the fair for a quick visit so please send them in with some pennies. Any children not collected before, must be collected at 3.15pm as usual.

Help us to become nit-free—please check your child's hair this weekend

Attendance

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
85.1%	97%	93%	95.2%	96.8%	95.7%	94%

Congratulations Year 1 You are our attendance winners!



School Values Certificate Winners:

Happiness
 Team Work
 Friendship
 Communication
 Freedom
 Curiosity
 Honesty
 Trust
 Kindness
 Respect
 Healthy
 Resilience
 Ambition
 Community
 Individuality
 Perseverance

Year 1: Elise Eddy
 Year 2: Seren Blackmore
 Year 3: Ellie-Mai Crocker
 Year 4: Eli Wright
 Year 5: Poppy-Rose Brown
 Year 6: Archie Kenley

School Rules Certificate Winners:

Show good
 manners at all times
 Follow instructions
 with thought & care
 Show care & respect
 for everyone
 &
 everything

Year 1: Charlie Murt
 Year 2: Poppy Kenley
 Year 3: Cameron & Harry
 Year 4: Lilly & Lillian
 Year 5: Phoebe Schroeder
 Year 6: Lily Bate

Mrs Whitford's Special Awards:

*Constance Shaw *Tallulah Williams

We have also awarded numerous certificates to children for their reading, writing and maths as well as Golden Tickets and specific class Certificates.

Mrs Walker



As many of you will have heard, Mrs Walker, our Reception Class teacher is retiring at Christmas. Mrs Walker has been a teacher at Padstow School for 27 years. Throughout her long career she has been an inspiring teacher, a reassuring presence, a trusted and supportive friend and colleague, and a listening ear for many parents. She has always brought a sense of fun to school life, along with an artistic and musical flair. She will be very much missed by us all. We wish her happiness and contentment in her thoroughly deserved retirement.

Maths Curriculum

Many parents expressed an interest in further understanding the maths curriculum taught in school. We have added the National Mathematics Coverage programme of study to each class page on our Website. To find them:

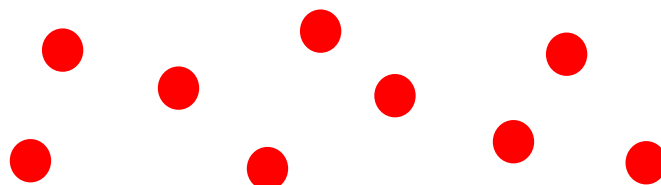
- Visit www.padstowschool.org
- Hover over 'Classes' in the blue bar along the top
- Select your child's class
- Choose 'Y? Maths Programme of study' from the menu bar on the left

Paper copies are available from the school office on request.

The Spotty Book

We have published 'The Spotty Book' on our website: http://www.padstowschool.org/website/the_spotty_book/320946

Many of you might find the book useful as it provides general guidance for school teachers and parents/carers with children in their care about the prevention and control of infectious diseases. The advice applies to schools, nurseries, playgroups and childminders.



Goal!

Congratulations to Joey Flide Y5, who has been selected to represent The Wadebridge Cluster School's FA at the District County Finals at Biscovey School today. If the team wins, he will go on to play at the South West regionals.



Carol Concert Letter

A letter has been sent home with children today about the Carol Concert on Tuesday 12th December. Please complete and return the reply slip to school as soon as possible. Thank you.

Food & Farming



The Farm & Country trailer



Alfie flaking oats for porridge

Y3 & Y4 were treated to a visit from the Royal Cornwall Agricultural Association yesterday. On board the interactive trailer, they learned about the different types of farms; arable, pastoral and mixed and the different types of farming methods. They talked about food groups and had a go at flaking oats by hand. They were also educated about food miles and distribution. It was a very informative morning.

Roald Dahl Day

Y3 had a fantastic day last Friday for their Roald Dahl Day. They came to school dressed as their favourite character from the popular author's books, created their own diorama (3d miniature film set), shared Roald Dahl facts, wrote Roald Dahl diaries and enjoyed some of his stories, including *The Twits* and *Fantastic Mr Fox*.



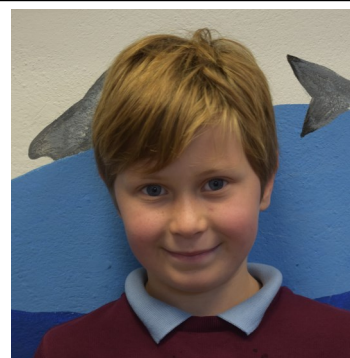
Shaping Services For Children Young People and Families Survey

Cornwall Council are proposing to create a new organisation dedicated to serving children, young people and families in Cornwall by joining up the staff who deliver these services in to one focused organisation. They are proposing to join up Council's children's services (education, early years, early help and children's social care) with children's community health services (for example health visiting and school nursing). Cornwall Council are running a survey of 5 questions so your views are considered in the business case which is being developed. We have 50 copies at the school office for anyone who would be interested in completing the survey.

The deadline for responses is 15 December 2017

Cross Country Runners

A big shout out to Rudy, Harlyn, Lizzie, Connor, Joey, Finn M, Hayden, Finn B, Cameron, Harry, Alfie, Ruby and Tehya who all demonstrated great resilience and perseverance when they took part in the KS2 Cross Country Running competition at Wadebridge School yesterday. Despite the wild, wet, windy and cold weather, the children embraced the challenge and every single one of them completed the course. A special well done to Rudy, who came 3rd over all—what an amazing achievement! Well done all of you.



Uniform Reminder

If you are planning on buying uniform over the Christmas holiday please be aware of our uniform policy.

- Children's school **shoes** should be flat, smart black shoes or smart black trainers with no markings or other colours.
- Long **hair** on both girls and boys should be tied back neatly. This is not only for reasons of smartness, and health and safety, but also to prevent the spread of head lice.
- For further details please refer to our uniform policy:

<http://www.padstowschool.org/website/policies/50287>

Thank you to **Trevisker Garden Centre** for donating a delightfully scented and beautiful looking Christmas Tree for the school hall.

Visit Trevisker Garden Centre for:

Real Christmas trees *Christmas tree stands* *Christmas decorations*

Christmassy plants *Bespoke gifts*

and Rose's Florist for:



Wreaths *Christmas flowers* *Table decorations*



Padstow School Christmas Fayre

Thursday 14th December

From 2.00pm: ALL WELCOME

*meet Father Christmas *raffle *bric-a-brac *games
*tombola *refreshments, crafts & more!

