



St John's Catholic Primary School

School Information February 2019

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Head Teacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have mixed feelings today, as we say goodbye to Ms Giannasi. We are delighted that she has secured a full time role in another school, but at the same time, are very sad to see her go. We thank her very much for the many contributions to the school and her dedication to us over the last 6 years. Interviews for a new administrative assistant took place today, so we are hoping to welcome a new member to the St John's team very soon.

Next Tuesday 5th February is National Online Safety Day, where the children will be learning strategies to help keep themselves safe online and how to use the internet responsibly. Our newsletters now highlight one item each month, to support you with keeping your children safe at home. There is a wealth of information out there, including www.saferinternet.org.uk

Look out for information coming soon from Mrs Blount, for an upcoming science week. Competitions, experiments and fancy dress are all in store, so watch this space!

Best wishes,
Miss Teixeira

Road Safety: Please do stay aware of moving cars on the road outside school and in the staff carpark, and keep young children safely next to you in these areas.

! Don't forget that the SEN page on our school website has lots of useful links for accessing support, getting information, or finding out about locally run events and groups.



Diary Dates

18th—22nd February Half Term, School Closed
25th February Back to school
25th Feb—8th March FairTrade Fortnight
Look out for some special menu days coming in March, including pasties for St Piran's Day!



The school House awarded the most dojos / house points for their excellent behaviour, work and effort last week was **Godrevy**. Congratulations!



Our Spiritual and Religious Education

Our God Matters unit for February is Revelation. We also look forward to welcoming back speakers from Open the Book and Apostleship of The Sea, as well as Maggie from our annual charity CAFOD, and Brian from FairTrade.

Upcoming Mass rota (please be aware that this may change):

6th Feb Y3 (Y3 lead)
13th Feb Y2 and Y1 (Parish lead)
27th Feb Y5 (Y5 lead)
6th March Y4 (Parish lead)
13th March Y3 (Parish lead)
20th March Y2 (Y2 lead)

Mass starts at 10.00am. Everyone is welcome to join us in Church.

Attendance

Our school attendance for January was

94.46%

Y4	Y3	Y5	YR	Y1	Y2	Y6
96.71%	96.26%	94.52%	94.15%	93.80%	93.74%	91.87%

Congratulations to Years 4 and 3 for achieving above national average last month!

STEM Returners Programme with Babcock in Plymouth

Babcock are looking for candidates to join a 13 week, fully paid and supported 'STEM returners' programme in Plymouth in April. It is designed for people who may have taken a career break from an engineering or technical sector (it doesn't matter for how long!), those with currently unused STEM degrees, or those wishing to transfer sectors with no experience. For more information please visit www.stemreturners.com or email hello@stemreturners.com.

More information on the programme is also available here: <https://www.stemreturners.com/2018/12/20/babcock-seeks-stem-returners-join-career-programme-devonport/>

School Council

Our Councillors met up this week to discuss what improvements they would like to see around school for this year's Cornwall 'Think Big' competition entry.

They have also ordered all the goodies for their upcoming FairTrade tuckshop which runs during our FairTrade Fortnight. Watch this space for updates on both of these!



Online Safety

Next Tuesday 5th February is Safer Internet Day. An important aspect of this is keeping online gaming safe and fun. Check the age ratings, as these help make sure games can be enjoyed without seeing things that might be upsetting or disturbing. In the UK, the Video Standards council rate Fortnite as PEGI 12 for frequent scenes of mild violence, and games such as GTA are 18.

COMING SOON

SCIENCE WEEK

WE ARE SCIENTISTS!

Starts Monday 11th February



Paper Airplane Design Competition

Using just one piece of A4 paper, can you design and make an awesome aircraft? Test flights recommended! All planes need to be brought to school by Thursday 14th February for testing.

Assembly and workshop with Dr Jo Foster

(Director of Nexus)

Dress as a Scientist Day

All children are invited to research a scientist and their contribution to the world as part of their homework. On Friday 15th February they can come dressed as their chosen scientist or a scientist in general.

Hands-on science workshops across the school

Try something different and learn something new! The children will be using their skills as scientists to investigate a whole range of scientific concepts.

Do you use science in your job? If so, we'd love you to come and tell us all about it! Please get in touch with Mrs Blount if you are willing to help.

