

St Levan School Newsletter

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WELCOME

to Lailani, Sorrel and Leo who have been with us for a few morning sessions in preparation for joining our Reception year in September. We are very excited and hope you are enjoying being at St Levan as much as we enjoy having you.

Please find key dates overleaf for this term. As you can see, it is an exciting, action-packed term- including Lafrowda preparations, trips, residential, sleepover, Theatre trip, Summer Fete, Sports Day and much more! We are beginning to enjoy the sunshine outdoors and there has been a lovely environment with parents and governors volunteering their time to support us. A special thank you must go to Susie for all the hours and days she has generously put in with the children to design our very own unique, beautiful and sparkly mosaic - it looks incredible already! Victoria has been busy transforming a room into what will be a welcoming learning space for small groups and individual children to be- complete with all the soft furnishings! All our children have been enjoying the outdoors- gardening and planting with Sophia on a Friday- do take a look in the garden. Thank you as always to everyone for supporting and helping out with our clubs and in lessons. This ensures our children continue to benefit from a rich curriculum despite the increase in Maths and English curriculum content that all children are expected to now know. Our staff have worked incredibly hard to keep learning real and protect our children from feeling unnecessary pressure. While we do have to take part in statutory testing, we boost the children's confidence by focussing on how we approach tests, developing strategies to cope with challenging questions and how 'doing our best' with a positive mind is all we ask. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

During the next couple of weeks Year 6 and 2 will be completing their statutory SATs tests. Year 6 SATs take place next week, 9th May - 12th. Due to the many national changes over the course of this year, I am attaching the latest up to date guidance from the Department for Education for everyone to see. It is vital that your children are in school for the weeks shown over. The environment is a supportive one and the children enjoy being altogether as opposed to having to sit a test alone if they miss the test day. We make the week as enjoyable as is possible, with lots of breaks outdoors and extra healthy snacks. An early night and healthy breakfast make all the difference - breakfast club is open from 8.15am. We thank you in advance for your co-operation with this.

SUMMER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Little Levans with John Brolly 1.30 - 6th May, 20th May, 1st July
- 6th May - No PE at Cape
- 9th - 12th May - statutory Year 6 SATs
- 16th - 19th May - statutory Year 2 SATs
- 23rd May - Class 2 Residential Information Meeting 3.15
- 30th May - 3rd June - Half-Term
- 6th June- 10th June - Lafrowda workshops
- 13th June- 16th June - statutory Year 1 Phonics Screening
- 13th June - 17th June - London Central School of Drama workshops
- 14th June - Whole school photograph 9.00
- 16th June - Minack Trip to see 'Rocket Girl'
- 27th June - KS2 'Swimsafe' session
- 30th June - Year 6 transition day at Cape Cornwall
- June - 'Grow £5.00' Challenge
- 1st July - Summer Fete 3.00 - 4.30
- 4th July - 6th July - Year 4, 5 and 6 Residential at Eden
- 11th July - Open afternoon from 2.30- come and see your child's work
- 12th July - Sports Day
- 14th July - Year 2 and 3 School Sleepover and BBQ
- 16th July- Lafrowda 'FAST and CURIOUS'
- 19th July - Year 6 Leavers' Assembly- everyone invited
- 22nd July - Last day SUMMER HOLIDAYS

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers 2016 - we are still collecting them! Please send them in as soon as possible so we can make the closing date.

Den Building Request: Please let Sophia know if you can donate any old sheets or duvet covers. Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SHINING STARS

Myles Faulkner and Florence Chaikin

Lily-Jane and Theo

We are very proud of all our children