



31st January

School news Update

Our church school creates a firm foundation where together, with God's help and with the help of others, we learn for life, achieve our best and grow in faith.

The Play Tower

We are delighted to announce that the play tower is now finished!! The children have thoroughly enjoyed the new equipment. Please can we remind you though that school equipment is **not to be used** out of school hours for health and safety reasons.



First Aid Policy

We have reviewed our First Aid policy in school and it has now been agreed by the Governors. The main change is that first aid slips will not be sent home with your child for every injury. If the first aider deems the injury to be significant then you will receive a slip or telephone contact as normal.

- An accident form will be completed by the first aider on the same day or as soon as possible after an incident resulting in an injury, dependent on the seriousness of the incident.

The full policy is available on our school website.

Condover Hall Residential for Year 5/6

Payment plans for our residential trip to Condover Hall in June were sent home last week. The first instalment to be paid is due by Friday 7th February.

New menu – starts after half term

We have been sent the new menu by ABM which starts after half term. Do have a look at what is on offer. To celebrate Shrove Tuesday we are having Pancake Lunch on Tuesday 25th February so the dessert for that day will be different to the published menu. If your child does not normally have a school meal and they wish to join us for the Pancake lunch day, then please complete and return the attached booking form by Monday 10th February.



Maths Mastery Workshop

Thank you to everyone who has shown an interest in attending the Maths Mastery workshop, by returning their slip.

We are delighted with the response to this workshop so have decided to run 2 sessions. This is an investment in time for staff so please do come along to one of the sessions as I'm sure that you will find it extremely useful.

The workshops will be held on Friday 7th February from 2pm – 3pm and Monday 10th February from 6pm until 7pm.

Apologies but there will be no facilities for child care at either of these workshops

We look forward to seeing you.

Perimeter fencing

We have been working extremely hard to secure additional funding from the Diocese to erect a secure perimeter fence around our school site. We are delighted that we were successful; receiving funding of almost £28,000!! As a result, this fencing project will begin on Monday!

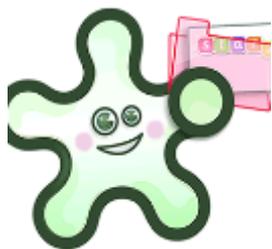
The fence will be on the inside of the current wooden fencing and will include new gates onto the site. These gates will be on a magnetic timer so will lock and unlock automatically between certain times. This will mean that our site is more secure both when the children are on site and also whilst children are not on site (i.e. at weekends and in school holidays).

Once the gates are installed, we will inform parents about the timings and how to access the site outside of the 'unlock' times. The pedestrian gate at the front of the school will also be locked on a timer and there will only be 1 entry point from the carpark and not 2 which we currently have.

Please do take care on our site whilst this work is happening next week and please do not allow your children to play onsite after school. Could I also politely request that you leave the site with your children **promptly** whilst this work is happening as the contractor is hoping to work as many daylight hours as possible to finish within a week!

Many thanks

Year 6 emailing



As part of our Computing curriculum the children in Year 6 will be given access to their secure school email address. This only allows them to communicate with other children in their class and school staff; they can not email externally or receive external incoming emails. However, they will be able to access the email system from home (or on mobile devices which connect to the internet). A great deal of learning has taken place about the importance of appropriate messaging and what this email account should and should not be used for. They also know that school staff will be monitoring accounts and we can see all email exchanges, even if deleted by the pupil. Please support us in encouraging your child to use their school email account but please do also support in reinforcing the messages about appropriate messaging.

Rotary Club Primary Schools Year 6 Quiz

Letters were sent home earlier this week regarding participation in the annual Rotary Club quiz. Please return your slip so we know whether your child can attend or not as we need to confirm our place.

Lost Property

We have the following items in lost property ALL UNNAMED. If you think they may belong to your child, please do come and have a look. Any items left by next Friday will be recycled. All items that were named have been returned to their owner.

8 x cardigans

4 x jumpers

5 x white PE T-shirts/polo tops

3 x black shorts

2 x grey trousers

3 x hats

1 full PE Kit girls size 10/11 including blue/white trainers size 3 in a blue Converse bag



Bikeability

We have booked the Bikeability course for our Year 3 and 4 children. The course will run for one day only on Friday 24th April. Forms have come home today with information and bike check notes for you to keep. Please return the consent form by Monday 10th February as we need to return the register for them to arrange staffing. This is level 1 training so will involve children cycling on our playground and will **not** include any road cycling.



STARS news

Please find attached flyers for the Bake Sale on Friday 14th February and the Neon Silent Disco on Friday 28th February Tickets for the Disco are now on sale.



Make Do and Mend

We are having a Make Do and Mend morning on Saturday 29th February (weather dependant) just for a couple of hours. Most of you will be aware that we do not have a school caretaker and therefore we rely on willing volunteers to complete 'odd jobs'. Similarly, our grounds maintenance company don't weed, turn over beds, refill pots etc. as we can not afford the 'gardening' element of their contract. Your help is greatly appreciated so please do come along from 10am until 12pm to help us if you can. We will supply tea, coffee and cakes!!!

**Attendance % for
W/E 31/01/2020**

Van Gogh ~ 98%
Monet ~ 97%
Kandinsky ~ 93%
Picasso ~ 95%



Diary Dates

Please see below the diary dates for the Spring 2020 term
Any new dates added in the future will be in bold and italics

Date	Event
<i>7th February</i>	<i>Maths Mastery Workshop for Parents 2pm – 3pm</i>
<i>10th February</i>	<i>Maths Mastery Workshop for Parents 6pm – 7pm</i>
12 th February	Van Gogh Class assembly at 2.50pm followed by an invitation to see Learning Journeys in class - Everyone welcome
14 th February	STARS bake sale - 3.15pm
17 th - 21 st February	Half Term
24 th February	Fair Trade Fortnight
26 th February	Lent Challenge begins
27 th February	Year 6 Rotary Club Competition – 7pm
28 th February	STARS Silent Disco KS1 4pm : KS2 4.30 till 6pm
<i>29th February</i>	<i>Make do and Mend day – 10am – 12pm</i>
4 th March	Monet Class assembly at 2.50pm - Everyone welcome
5 th March	Year 3 Football Festival – All day St Ives
6 th March	World Book Day – more details to follow
9 th March	Sport Relief Week – more details to follow
10 th March	Picasso Class Assembly – for Year 6 parents only at 2.50pm
11 th March	Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 7.30pm – booking details to follow
12 th March	Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 5.30pm – booking details to follow
13 th March	STARS Film Night - 3.15pm
20 th March	STARS Mother's Day shop – 9.30am
23 rd March	Kandinsky Class assembly at 2.50pm - Everyone welcome
31 st March	Year 2 Football Festival – All day St Ives
2 nd April	Book Bus visiting- more details to follow
3 rd April	End of term
3 rd April	STARS – Easter Egg Hunt 3.15pm
6 th – 19 th April	Easter Holidays
20 th April	Teacher Training Day – school closed
21 st April	Summer term begins
24 th April	Bikeability training day – Year 3 and 4
28 th April	Year 1 Football Festival – All day St Ives
8 th May	Bank holiday – school closed
25 th – 29 th May	Half Term
10 th – 12 th June	Mount Cook Residential – Year 5/6
11 th July	STARS - Summer Fair
22 nd July	End of term
23 rd July	Teacher Training Day