



### Message from Mrs Giblett

Ofsted Attendance Grades		
96.5% + <b>High</b>	96.1% - 96.4% <b>Above national average</b>	95.5% - 95.9% <b>In line with national average</b>
94.0% or below <b>Low</b>	90% or below <b>Cause for concern</b>	85% or below <b>Persistent Absence</b>

#### Attendance

Our whole-school attendance rate for this week was 96.7%.

Congratulations this week to **1Withiel** who were top of the attendance table with 99.3%. *Well done!*

At Archbishop Benson School we are always very sad to have to say goodbye to members of staff, but we recognise that we are a big school with over 60 members of staff and movement is inevitable. We will shortly be saying goodbye to Mrs Doran (one of our school secretaries), Mrs Filbey (class TA in 2L) and Mrs Hood in Reception. Mrs Doran has worked with us for nearly 8 years, Mrs Filbey for nearly 13 years and Mrs Hood for 12 years.

We know that parents and governors will want to join with us in saying a big thank you to these members of staff for all that they have contributed to the life of the school. They will be much missed by us all. We know the children will be glad to hear that Mrs Hood is continuing as a lunchtime supervisor.

We have recruited 2 temporary class TAs - Miss Casian will be working in Reception and Mr Salter will be in 2L. The children will meet their new TAs next week so that they are familiar with them before they break up for half term.

We would just like to remind parents again that our *Summer Parents' Forum* is this Wednesday (24<sup>th</sup>) at 7pm. We have had a few parents sign up, but not as many as we would like. We will be discussing communication and swimming. We would welcome parental feedback and suggestions on issues such as: our electronic newsletter; our texting service; our end of year parental survey.

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#### Donations of Dressing Up Clothes – KS1

Our KS1 staff would be very grateful for any donations of dressing up clothes for children's playtime. Thank you.

### Sun Cream and Hats



As the weather gets sunnier and warmer, can you please ensure that your child has sun cream applied **BEFORE** coming to school and bring a **SUN HAT** with them for outdoor play. It doesn't have to be a school sun hat, but we do sell school caps at the school office priced £3.50.

### Water Bottles

Please ensure your child brings a water bottle filled with water (no juice or squash please).

## CLUBS

### Scooter/Skate Boarding Club

This club will start after half term with Mrs Medcalf. **HOWEVER**, due to lots of interest we have had to split the groups into Year groups and each group will only be able to attend for 2 weeks each. We will let you know which group your child is in via a slip with the dates on.

### Go Active

After half term "Go Active" will be providing the following clubs on **FRIDAYS** after school:

Bubble Football/Zorbing – KS2 (£30)

Football – Yrs 1, 2 and 3 (£20)

Forms available from the school office.



### Truro Schools Touch Rugby Competition

On Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May, our tag rugby teams went to Penair School to take part in the Truro primary schools touch rugby competition. There were 13 teams and it was a fun and competitive afternoon's rugby. It was the first time that we had played touch rugby competitively after it replaced tag rugby this year.

Our A team did really well and came third to qualify for the West Cornwall finals at Redruth Rugby Club on 17<sup>th</sup> May. Our B team also played well and came 12<sup>th</sup>. Well done to all the children.

A huge thank you to Mr Thomas, Mrs Glanville and all of the parents for coaching, taking and supporting the children.

### FABB colouring competition



For this year's summer fair we would like the children to decorate a flag of bunting that will be displayed on the day. The theme is a Cornish summer and they can be as creative and colourful as they wish. There will be prizes for the best entries! *Please look out for the flags which will be in the book bags next week.*

### Stay and Play

Truro Nursery School, in partnership with Archbishop Benson School, offer a Stay and Play session on Thursdays in St Paul's Children's Centre from 9.00am – 10.30am. Play and early learning sessions for families following the early years' foundation stage curriculum for ages 0 – 5 years. Cost is £2.00 per family (up to 2 children). First session is free to new families.

### Dates for Your Diary 2017:

#### May

**Tue 23<sup>rd</sup>** Parents' Forum, 7pm

#### June

**Fri 9<sup>th</sup>** Class 1W assembly, 9am  
**Fri 16<sup>th</sup>** Class 2L assembly, 9am  
 Non uniform Day  
**Tue 20<sup>th</sup> June** Sports Day

**Thu 22<sup>nd</sup> June** Reserve Sports Day  
**Wed 21<sup>st</sup>** Eucharist Service, 9am  
**Sat 24<sup>th</sup>** Summer Fair, 11am-1pm  
**Fri 30<sup>th</sup>** Class 5C assembly, 9am

**Mon 12<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>** Year 6 trip to London

#### July

**Mon 3<sup>rd</sup>** FABB meeting - 7.00pm in Yr 5/6 work area.  
**Fri 7<sup>th</sup>** Class RR assembly, 9am  
**Thu 19<sup>th</sup>** Year 6 Production, 7pm  
**Fri 20<sup>th</sup>** Year 6 Production, 7pm  
**Tue 25<sup>th</sup>** FABB Leaver's Reception & Summer Disco  
**Wed 26<sup>th</sup>** Leavers' service, 1.30pm

### Term Dates for School Year 2016 /2017

**Fri 26<sup>th</sup> May** Break up for half term

**Mon 5<sup>th</sup> June** Children return to school

**Wed 26<sup>th</sup> July** Break up for Summer Holidays



