



Academy

Following our consultation period we are pleased to report that as of the 1st November St. Merryn School is now an Academy, which means all our funding comes from the Government instead of the local authority. You should not notice any real changes to the day to day running of the school.

Half Term Disco

The Autumn disco raised £145.90. Thank you to all the parents and friends who helped and supported this event and to Mr. Durkin for being our fantastic DJ!



Christmas Lunch

We will be having Christmas lunch on the 7th of December (next Wednesday). All children are invited to have their Christmas lunch with the staff. Please book this on Monday in order for us to estimate the number we need to order. It's always a special event and hope that most children join us.

Children in Need

Wow, the most we have ever raised £213.02. Huge thanks to you all for your donations, name the monkey and cakes. Special thanks to Lisa Humber for devoting so much time on the day and our school council who planned the events. 😊



Christmas Market

This was another great success with well over £600 raised. It was lovely to see so many parents involved and have so many members of the community visiting us. Thank you to everyone who was involved, particularly the PTA, who do such a fantastic job!

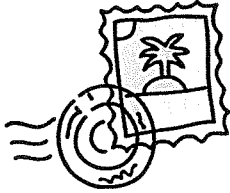
Christmas Play

Please ensure pupils are at school for 5pm on the evening of the plays (not 5.10pm as previously stated), so they can get into costumes and have face paints done (please inform us if your child is allergic to face paints). If you have tickets to watch you can get refreshments at the pre school. The pre school is also running a crèche facility if you need it. Please see Helen at the pre school.

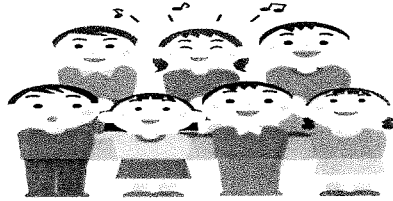
Parties

The Christmas parties will take place on the afternoon of the 14th December and as usual, we will be asking for a small donation of food for the party tea. There is a notice on all the class doors for people to sign up. Many thanks!

Stamps

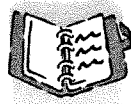


We are collecting used stamps in school, and we are aware how many of these are thrown away over the Christmas period. Please save them (cutting round them without damaging the perforations) and bring them into school. Every stamp helps raise money for needy children across the world.



End of term Carol service

As in previous years, we will be holding a carol service for the community in the Church at 2.15pm on the last day of term (Thursday 15th December). As you are probably aware, we are running a musical this year and the reception class will be doing a Nativity in School. Because of this, and the fact that we break very early, the school will not be performing as such. Please come in good voice, prepared to join in with the carols as we break for the holidays! All children will need collecting from the church at about 3pm.



Dates

Wednesday 7th December - Christmas dinner – please book on Monday 5th

Wednesday 7th December – 9:30am Final Dress Rehearsal – free

8th, 9th, 12th and 13th December - Christmas Plays

Friday 9th December PTA meeting @2pm

Tuesday 13th December – Class 1 Nativity- School hall @ 2pm

Wednesday 14th December – NON SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY - parties in classrooms @ 1pm

Thursday 15th December – 2:15pm End of term carols in the church (pupils taken home from church) They don't need to bring book bags to school on this day!

Wednesday January 4th 2012 - Back to school ☺