

# St Mary's C of E School News

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September**

## **Welcome to Autumn term 2016**

The new school year has started with the children settling well into new class and learning. All classes have had inspiration days for their topics to inspire the children's learning.

## **Launch of The Children's University**



Today we have launched the Children's University at St Mary's School. This is a new partnership for the school. All children from year 1 – year 6 have brought home a Passport to Learning which have been paid for by Plymouth University and also a leaflet that explains how the scheme works.

We look forward to the children recording their out of school learning and hope your child earns certificates at their own pace during the year.

Your child can add on any learning activities completed over the Summer to start their learning passport; the Summer reading Challenge and Holiday club can be logged for learning hours as well.

If you have ANY queries about the Passport and activities please see Mrs George or myself.

We would like the children to bring their Passports into School on Thursday 13th October to see how this is progressing.

Celebrate your child's achievements!

## **Stars of the week ending 16<sup>th</sup> September**

Reception	All of the Class
Class 1	Stan
Class 2	Zoe
Class 3	James
Class 4	Amy
Class 5	Christian
Class 6	Cameron

## **Golden Tokens week ending 2<sup>th</sup> September**

Reception	Eva
Class 1	Darcie
Class 2	Goda
Class 3	Praneel
Class 4	Spike
Class 5	Logan
Class 6	Tallula

## **Dates For Your Diary**

**School Choir at Truro Cathedral – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September**

**Scholastic Book Fair – Monday 26<sup>th</sup>**

**September, Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September and Weds 28<sup>th</sup> September**

**Harvest Festival Assembly in school – 12<sup>th</sup> October - All welcome**

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October  
Half term**

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December - end of Autumn term**

## **Learning a musical instrument 2016/17**

Learning a musical instrument benefits your child in many ways, developing core skills of concentration, co-ordination, co-operation and developing a sense of community.

We offer woodwind: fife, flute, clarinet and saxophone  
Strings: violins and 'cello

Drums and Guitars

Please pop into the office if your child is interested in learning a musical instrument and you would like details of costs etc.

## **Assemblies Autumn term 2016**

The theme of our assemblies this half term is Creativity. We will be exploring this through bible stories and real life experiences and also link with looking after our world by caring for creation.

Please see our website for more information and follow up activities you can do at home.

Please e-mail a photo of your child doing something they are good at for our Talent Gallery to:

[head@st-marys-ce-pz.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:head@st-marys-ce-pz.cornwall.sch.uk)

# Learning through the School written by St Mary's children

## Early Years

We have been writing our names and thinking of things we want to get better at.

I want to get better at painting – Raffa and Eva

I want to get better at playing football – Ollie

I want to get better at pedalling – Tommy

We have made wooden spoon puppets of people who are special to us.

## Class 1

We went to Feadon Farm and fed chickens and goats  
and we saw reindeers.

Then we fed and stroked foxes, their fur felt really  
soft! We are also learning about The Owl Babies  
stories and adding sound effects to it.

## Class 2

We are learning about the boat called The  
Mystery. The Mystery sailed from Newlyn to  
Australia. We went to Newlyn Harbour to where  
the Mystery sailed from. We learnt part of the  
story of the Mystery. I have enjoyed helping make  
a big model of the Mystery boat for the classroom.

Jago

## Class 3

We visited Truro Museum and saw a real life  
Egyptian Mummy. It was not scary like I had  
imagined it would be. We saw Pharaohs Masks. We  
performed the weighing of the heart ceremony. The  
Egyptians believed that if you wrapped up all the  
organs after they died they would have a good  
afterlife.

Jemima

## Class 4

We went on a nature walk to the beach and Penlee  
Park and then to the beach to look at and listen to  
God's creations. We took a photo that we thought  
showed the amazing things in our world. Sophie

## Class 6

We learnt about Queen Victoria's Timeline. Queen  
Victoria learnt to speak German at the age of three  
as part of her family were German. Queen Victoria  
was christened Alexandra Victoria and she had nine  
children.

## Class 5

We visited Falmouth Maritime Museum to look at  
how the Tudors lived and the way they dressed. I  
found out that Sir Francis ship was called The Pelican  
but because they had lost a lot of ships in battle they  
thought this name was bad luck so he renamed his  
ship The Golden Hind.

Ysella

## St Mary's Choir

Our choir is already rehearsing for our first concert  
of the season at Truro Cathedral on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>  
September as part of World Peace Day celebration.  
We also have concert on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October  
which will feature our new Year 5 Boys' choir.

Watch this space!