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# ST BURYAN ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

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## Key Dates

Please check the school calendar through our website regularly - more dates will be added as the term goes on

12/2/24 - 16-2/24 - February Half Term

28/3/24 - Last day of Spring Term

15/4/24 - Start of Summer Term

27/5/24 - 31/5/24 - May Half Term

19/7/24 - Last day of Summer Term

Look out for the week commencing 4th March 2024...

4/3/24 - Open Afternoon from 1.55pm

7/3/24 - World Book Day

PLEASE NOTE THAT TERM FINISHES AT 1.15pm ON 28/3/24

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It seems a while since our last newsletter with last week being half term. This year's spring term is a short one, particularly the current half term that we have just started; but there's a lot to cram into that time too as we approach the business of Summer Term and all that brings.

One of the highlights of Summer Term is our residential experiences; in this week's 'Spotlight' feature you can read about why these residential opportunities are important and what they bring to our school offer.

We have a couple of dates coming up over the next few weeks. The first of which is an open afternoon on the 4th March where the children will showcase some of their recent learning and include you in some activities. We'd love for you to join us in the hall from 1.55pm.

On the 7th March we will be having our World Book Day! This year we are inviting children to bring in their favourite bedtime books and come to school in PJs! We are also running a book swap initiative which you can support us with.

More details on both events can be found within the newsletter.

Also in this week's newsletter is our menu for this half term and some information about age appropriate online content, which we really encourage you to spend a couple of minutes reading.

**Our current attendance is 95%, which is 0.7% above national. We still aim to get it up to 96%-97% this school year so are grateful for your support with this.**

### **This week's attendance:**

Penberth - 99.21%

Nanjizal - 100%

Porthcurno - 93.47%

Well done to Nanjizal for 100% attendance.

Have a great weekend,

Mr McDonald and all at St Buryan Academy

## SPOTLIGHT ON...

# THE IMPORTANCE OF RESIDENTIAL EXPERIENCES



Our residential offer is something that we are proud of at St Buryan, and always have been. Many of you as parents may remember your own residential experiences when you were children at our school - or others. Our aim is to provide our children with the experiences and memories that will last a lifetime, as well as helping to sculpt characteristics that help our children grow.

Our Isles of Scilly trip is renowned for being our stand-out residential experience; taking place in children's penultimate and last years of St Buryan Academy in year 5 and 6. The school has been going to the Isles of Scilly for many years now and it has become somewhat of a tradition of the school. We stay at Garrison campsite on St Mary's and explore island life; learning about the history and geography of the islands as well as developing many attributes that make us who we are and strengthen our characters.

Also in Year 5/6 we offer a city residential. We alternate this with IoS so that the children have two contrasting residential experiences in their final years. This gives our children the opportunity to experience different surroundings and a way of life that is vastly different to their own. Whilst there we normally take in some museums, a West End show, the Houses of Parliament and more.

In year 3/4 our children have a two night stay at either a local campsite or even at school! This residential is normally based around adventurous activities that stretch and challenge our children.

We even offer an overnight residential to our year 1s and 2s, which is relatively unique for primary schools. We carry this out at school in an environment that children are familiar with and allows progression in our residential experiences through the school. If you have not heard from your child's class teacher on their residential yet, then you will do in the coming weeks. We feel that they are valuable experiences for our children and, as I said earlier, help create some memories for life. They build courage, resilience, teamwork and develop many more characteristics. It is also great to see friendships blossom and flourish during these opportunities too.

Whilst talking about our residential experiences, a big thanks to our staff who spend a lot of time organising, preparing and then taking our children on these trips, all in their own volunteered time!

# HELLO SPRING 2

## MENU 2024

February 19th 2024 - March 28th 2024

Jacket potatoes available Mon-Thurs  
Fresh fruit and yoghurt available daily



# HAPPY EASTER

### Menu 1 w/c 19th Feb 11th Mar

| Monday   | Tuesday                  | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday   |
|--|--------------------------|--|---|--|
| Beef burger or vegetarian burger with wedges, beans and coleslaw | Mac 'n' Cheese with peas | Roast chicken/ Quorn roast, carrots, peas, roast potatoes, calibrese and gravy | Sausage/ vegetarian sausage and cheese wraps with chips and beans | Pasties (meat or cheese) or sausage roll served with beans |
| Ice cream  | Smarties cookies         | Fresh fruit  | Jam sponge  | Chocolate chip buns  |

| Monday   | Tuesday                                  | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday   |
|--|--|---|--|--|
| Sausage pasta bake/ vegetarian pasta bake served with coleslaw | Chicken/ vegetarian enchiladas with rice | Roast pork/ Quorn roast, carrots, peas, roast potatoes, cabbage and gravy | Fish fingers/ vegetarian option, chips and beans | Cheese, onion and potato pie with beans or Jacket potato with beans and cheese |
| Flapjack   | Brownies                                 | Jelly   | Rice pudding and jam                             | Tiffin   |

### Menu 2 w/c 26th Feb 18th Mar



### Menu 3 w/c 4th Mar 25th Mar

| Monday   | Tuesday                        | Wednesday  | Thursday                                     | Friday   |
|--|--------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Bacon and cheese/cheese and tomato Quiche with salad | Chicken/ Quorn curry with rice | Roast gammon/ Quorn roast, carrots, peas, roast potatoes, cauliflower cheese and gravy | Sausage/ vegetarian sausage, chips and beans | Pasties (meat or cheese) or sausage roll served with beans |
| Ice cream  | Rocky Road                     | Iced buns  | Apple crumble and custard                    | Chocolate crispy   |








# OPEN AFTERNOON

Come and join us for our open afternoon where we will be showcasing our recent whole school writing project: The Lost Words, amongst other recent learning. Take part in some activities with your children as they share their learning with you.

 Beginning in the school hall before classroom visits  
**1.55pm for 2.00pm class visits**

 **Monday 4th March**  
**2024**



# WORLD BOOK DAY



at

St Buryan Academy

Thursday 7th March 2024

## Bedtime stories

Come dressed in your pyjamas and bring your favourite bedtime story to share.

### And...

We will be running a book swap in the hall from 3.00pm

Have you any books that are no longer read but still in good condition suitable for primary aged children? Bring them into school in the morning with a post-it for recommended age range, then join us from 3.00pm to see if there are any books you may be interested in.

Please don't use this as a reason to simply get rid of books, but to share and swap books that have entertained, inspired and informed to help promote a love for reading.

