

# NEWSLETTER



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5th October 2018

## Message from the Head of School

We were delighted that so many of you were able to meet with your child's class teacher this week. There will be another formal parent-teacher evening later in the year but, in the meantime, do remember that the teaching staff are available to meet with parents throughout the year. Appointments may be made through the school office.

The children who completed the library summer reading challenge were presented with their certificates by Austen from Central library today.

Well done to each and every one of them.

Thank you for supporting your children to become readers for life.

Next week, the libraries are launching a year round challenge 'Findalots' for all children aged 4-11. Please take your child along to sign up:

<https://www.plymouth.gov.uk/libraries/childrenandyoungpeople/findalotslibrarychallenge>

Our Harvest Mass has been rescheduled for Sunday 14th October at 10.00am. We are looking forward to celebrating as a whole school community with our parish.

***Have a lovely weekend.***

***Mrs D Potterton***

[dpotterton@maryofthecross.co.uk](mailto:dpotterton@maryofthecross.co.uk)

## Liturgy in School

Please join us for whole school liturgy on Monday at 9.00 am.

The theme for our prayer and worship next week is:

**GOD LOVES US**



Please, Jesus, help all the people who are married to stay friends with each other always. Sometimes people can't stay married. Please help them to know that God's love for them will never end. Amen.

## REMINDER TO ALL

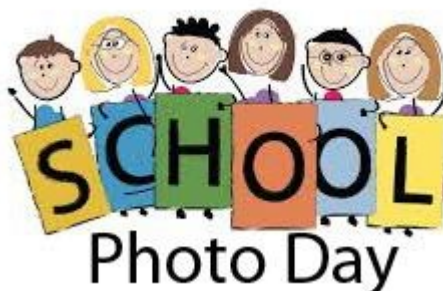
**Can we please remind parents that you must escort your child to the school gates between 8:30 and 8:50am where they will be greeted by a member of staff. After 8:50am and the gates are locked, you will need to accompany them round to the front door on Cecil Street and wait with them until a member from the office collects them. Please do not leave your child unattended.**



**Thank you**

## Tempest Photography

***Tempest Photography will be visiting the school on Thursday 18th October to take individual photographs. If you wish to have your child's photograph taken with a younger sibling, please come to the hall from 8.15am on the morning. Siblings in school will have their photograph taken together during the school day.***



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## ***Bike/Scooter Amnesty***

***There are new rules coming in to place after October half term regarding children bringing their bikes or scooters in to school.***

***Please, please, please can you ensure that all bikes and scooters are collected by Friday 19th October. Any bikes or scooters left after this date will be disposed of.***



<b><i>Julia Donaldson</i></b>	<b><i>97.60%</i></b>
<b><i>Roald Dahl</i></b>	<b><i>93.24%</i></b>
<b><i>Michael Morpurgo</i></b>	<b><i>97.04%</i></b>
<b><i>David Walliams</i></b>	<b><i>92.27%</i></b>

## **Nasal Flu vaccination for Foundation to Year 5 children – Electronic consent**

From September 2018 the Immunisation Team will be offering the Flu vaccination to all Primary Children from Reception to year 5. Delivery of the vaccine will run October - December 2018 across Devon, Plymouth and Torbay and this year the Immunisation Team are adopting electronic consent.

In order to provide electronic consent for your child's Flu vaccination, please can we request that you access the consent portal via the following link:

**Parent Portal Link:** <https://schoolimms.virgincare.co.uk/?h=bfc8c35b6a798851b4ce25441860957991359ef360211723544be2b852e7ea68> and follow the online instructions.

We would like to request that consent is provided electronically before Friday 5th October 2018. This is to ensure our nurses have sufficient time to clinically assess the information. This link is secure and unique to your child's school. Full details and information to assist you in completing the electronic consent is detailed on the consent portal including full FAQ's, patient information and contact details should you wish to speak to one of the school Immunisation Nurses regarding the nasal vaccination.

Here is a list of some Important dates confirmed for this year.

All information is available on our website calendar.



***Wednesday 10th October-Greenbank Fire Service in to meet Yr2 & 5***

***Wednesday 10th October-Individual SEN Support meetings, 3:30-5:00pm***

***Friday 12th October-Library visit for Julia Donaldson class***

***Sunday 14th October-Federation Harvest Mass, 10am at the Cathedral***

***Monday 15th until Friday 19th October-Swimming lessons for Yr4 children***

***Thursday 18th October-Tempest Photography, Family photos***

***Thursday 18th October-Whole School Mass, 10am***

***Monday 22nd-Friday 26th October-Half Term***

***Monday 29th October-Non Pupil Day***

***Friday 2nd November-Non Pupil Day***

***Tuesday 6th November-Healthy Smiles talk for Yr3 & 6***

***Tuesday 27th November-Donkey Roadshow for Key Stage 1***

***Thursday 6th December-Christmas lunch***

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## EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY



Thinking of booking your child into Plymouth Argyle's Half Term Activity Club? Grab yourself an early bird bargain and use the code above to get 25% off your booking.

### SOUTH WEST CELEBRATE WEEKEND

A joyful and faith-filled event for all the family!

13th/14th October

Notre Dame School, Looseleigh Lane, Plymouth PL6 5HN

*Main Speakers:* Maria Heath, Fr. Oscar Ardila, Charles Whitehead

Separate streams for children & young people. Lively worship, drama, a variety of workshops, family Mass

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Online booking now open (Prior booking essential) More details: [www.celebrateconference.org](http://www.celebrateconference.org)

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