

# Newsletter

5<sup>th</sup> December 2018



## Attendance Cup

Year 2  
99.65%

### Celebration Assembly

Reception Class: Maisie and Lowen  
Year 1: Whole Class Award  
Year 2: Tyson, Charley-Dee and Lily  
Year 3: Kerris and Jack  
Year 4: Kaycee and Julia  
Year 5: Ava and Scarlett  
Year 6: Lily-Rose and Ruby

Pen Licence: Meave  
Mrs Winch's Super Writers: Kloe and McKenna

### A BIG thank you

Roche CP School would like to express their warmest thanks to Mr Graham Barker of GBRS for kindly sponsoring Roche Brass to play at our KS2 Sing-a-long. Thank you so very much for your generosity.

We'd also like to express our thanks to the staff at DPD who had a collection for the school and raised £100 to go towards refreshments and other sundries at the KS2 sing-a-long.

Thank you to Minear Engineering also for their kind donation towards the sing-a-long.

We are also fortunate enough to have our KS2 sing-a-long programme sponsored by Mr Alister Berry of ARB Signs. Mr Berry very kindly offered to produce and print a programme for the event for no charge.

The kindness of these people has not gone unnoticed throughout the school. The staff and pupils are humbled by the kindness and generosity of these people. We thank you all.

## GOLDEN TICKET

### Reception Class

Ava  
Year 1  
Max  
Year 2  
Dylan  
Year 3  
Logan  
Year 4  
Rory  
Year 5  
Kasey  
Year 6  
Kevin

### KS1

Each KS1 child will receive a letter regarding applying for Free School Meals. Please return it to the school office. Please note that all claims are treated with total confidentiality.

### Menu Change

On the last day of term (19<sup>th</sup> December) the menu choice will be:

Main: Sausage and chips  
Veg: Cheese whirl and chips  
Dessert: Oat cookies

Please amend the dinner slip accordingly. Thank you.

## Cornwall Air Ambulance

Charity Reg. No. 137099

## CERTIFICATE OF THANKS

Thank you **ROCHE PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
for keeping Cornwall Air Ambulance flying  
by raising **£417.37**

*Sarah L. Pryce*

Sarah Pryce  
Chair of the Board of Trustees

*Steve Garvey*

Steve Garvey  
Lead Paramedic



## Our school dog and dogs in school

We will soon be having a school dog. You may already be aware of other schools that have a dog. The dog will live with Mrs George and come in to school each day. The dog will mainly live in the office but when properly trained children will be able to take it out for walks in the playground and it will be able to go in to classes and interact more and more with children. Our risk assessments for having a school dog are available for you to read on request from the school office.

There are many good reasons to have a dog in school;

1. Dogs teach children responsibility. Having to remember to feed, provide water and show support for a dog can give children a sense of importance and satisfaction that they can't get from school or other chores. The relationship that develops can be life-changing for a child and a great support system as they themselves continue to grow and develop.
2. Dogs teach children patience. Dogs do not always do as they are told first time!
3. Dogs teach children compassion. Just like humans, dogs feel emotion and pain. They are prone to injuries and the infirmities of age during their relatively short lives.
4. Dogs teach children about socialisation. Like most of us, dogs are social animals who enjoy and need attention and affection. By learning how to interact with a dog, children can learn how to better socialise with other children. If they can learn the social cues of a dog, then interacting with humans who can talk will be a walk in the park (pun intended).
5. Dogs are fun. Last, but certainly not least, dogs are a lot of fun. They greet you with a wagging tail every day and can cheer you up even on your worst day.

### **Code of Conduct**

The School requires all staff, parents and any visitors intending to bring their dogs to school must adhere to this Code of Conduct which states:

- All visiting dogs must be on a lead that keeps the dog reasonably close to the adult who is control of them;
- No dogs accompanying children to and from school are allowed inside any school buildings only dogs resident on the School site or assistance dogs are allowed inside school buildings;
- Visiting dogs must not be left unsupervised on the school premises and must not be left in the sole care of anyone under the age of 18.
- No dog can be tied up and left unattended on or near the school site at any time
- Dogs should be kept away from entry ways so that children have a choice whether they want to come in direct contact with dogs
- If any parent or pupil object to the animal's presence then arrangements must be made to ensure that this animal is kept away from them. If necessary, the animal may need exclusion from specific areas;
- No dogs are allowed in the enclosed Early Years area, the school field or any grassed or garden areas of the grounds
- The adult bringing the dog on site is responsible for cleaning up and removing from site any soiling by their dog on the school grounds and failure to do so will mean the dog will no longer be allowed in the school grounds (N.B. dog waste must not be put into the school bins);
- All dogs coming onto School grounds must be properly vaccinated and treated for fleas and other parasites, regularly groomed and checked for signs of infection or other illness;
- Pets that are ill should be diagnosed and treated by a vet and should not be allowed in the school premises until their health is restored.
- When bringing dogs on to the site, dog owners do so with an absolute understanding that their dog has no issues around children, has never displayed any aggression towards children or others and that the owner believes the dog is fully trustworthy in a school environment;
- It is understood that bringing dogs to school is a privilege not a right and is done at the absolute discretion of the Headteacher and Governors

We want this to be a successful change for all concerned. As dog owners we know our animals' character and behaviour so we are able to make sensible decisions about whether bringing our dogs in to school would be

appropriate or not. We hope and expect that all dog owners will be thoughtful and considerate. We will regularly review our policy.

**PLEASE LOOK OUT FOR THE OPT IN FORM COMING HOME AS TO WHETHER YOUR CHILD WOULD LIKE TO HAVE CONTACT OR ADVISE US OF ANY ALLERGIES TO DO WITH THE NEW SCHOOL DOG!**

### Dates for your Diary

11<sup>th</sup> December: Whole School Christmas Treat. "The Mousehole Cat" performance in school.  
11<sup>th</sup> December: 5/6 Football and Netball match – Roche V St Mewan (home game)  
17<sup>th</sup> December: KS1 performance 9.30am School Hall  
18<sup>th</sup> December: KS1 performance 9.30am School Hall  
18<sup>th</sup> December: KS2 Sing-a-long with Roche Brass at Roche Victory Hall 6.30pm  
18<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Lunch  
19<sup>th</sup> December: Cup Assembly in the School Hall at 9.15am. Parents and carers welcome  
19<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Jumper Day  
19<sup>th</sup> December: Last day of term  
7<sup>th</sup> January 2019: First day of term  
30<sup>th</sup> January: Celebration of Work  
4<sup>th</sup> February: Parents Evening  
5<sup>th</sup> February: Parents Evening  
6<sup>th</sup> February: Parents Evening

### KS1/KS2 Performance Tickets

If you haven't done so already, please could you make sure you have ordered your KS1 and KS2 tickets using the form provided last week. If you haven't ordered tickets by Wednesday of next week, we will assume you do not require tickets and they will be distributed between the families who require extra.

Please note that payment is required with the ticket order form. If you have received your tickets and not yet paid, please do so at your earliest convenience. If you are not sure how much you are outstanding by, please speak to the office staff who will advise you. Thank you.

### Cup Assembly

Cup Assembly will be held on 19<sup>th</sup> December at 9.15am in the school hall. If your child received a cup last term, could it please be returned to school no later than Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December.

Many thanks for your cooperation.

### Christmas Cards

As from next Monday, the Post Box for Christmas cards will be placed outside Mr Walden's office. Christmas card lists for your child's class should be coming home with your child by the end of the week.

We are fortunate enough to have a real Post Box this year and hope to use it annually. Thank you to Faith and Charlotte for letting us borrow it!

Please make sure the Christmas cards have the child's name and class on the envelope so it is given to the correct child.



## ***Christmas comes to those in NEED!!***

### ***CAN YOU HELP????***

*Christmas is fast approaching and everyone is busy rushing around to buy that perfect gift for their loved ones, but has anyone stopped to notice how many homeless people there are in our own towns – right on our doorstep???*

*Christmas is time for love, kindness and compassion and no matter what people's circumstances everyone deserves to be happy at Christmas! On Christmas day we will all be in our nice warm homes with family, friends and good food these poor souls will spend Christmas day cold, lonely and hungry.....*

*We would like to make a difference and put a small smile on these people's faces this Christmas day – Can you help???*

*We plan to make elf deliveries to our local soup kitchens in St Austell and Truro the week before Christmas to deliver these small gifts to those in need who may have nothing on Christmas day.*

*We have already collected 50 pairs of gloves, hats, scarfs and small boxes of chocolates which have been wrapped ready for delivery. Would anyone be willing to buy an extra gift this year and donate a small wrapped gift or two to this very worthy cause???*

*Christmas is not about how much money we can spend but it is the thought that counts. A £1 pair of gloves or chocolates could make a massive difference to one homeless person this year and show them that there are people that care.....*

*There will be a collection box in reception from today until Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December if you would like to donate.....*

*Thank you for your help*



DPD (Central)  
Station Approach, Victoria Road, St Austell, Cornwall PL26 8UJ  
www.dpd.co.uk

Hi Grace and Dewi

Thanks for your letter requesting our support for your forthcoming Christmas production.

Enclosed is the £100 to help pay for Roche Brass Band or associated costs.

This money comes from the staff here at our depot, from money that we have raised.

Thanks

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3<sup>rd</sup> December 2018

Dear Grace and Dewi,

Thank you for your letter of the 27<sup>th</sup> November requesting a contribution towards your school production with Roche Brass on the 18<sup>th</sup> December at the Victory Hall.

I enclose a donation of £25.00 which I hope will help your production in some way.

Wishing you all a very successful and happy time together.

With best wishes

*Margaret*

Margaret Mincar (Mrs)  
Company Director