



**Pondhu**  
Primary School

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# NEWSLETTER

4<sup>th</sup> December 2015

## DATES

### December

9<sup>th</sup> Nursery Christmas Cafes x2  
10<sup>th</sup> KS2 cinema trip – see attached letter.  
11<sup>th</sup> Christmas Fayre 2.30pm  
11<sup>th</sup> After School Clubs finish  
14<sup>th</sup> KS1 Performance 9.30am  
15<sup>th</sup> KS1 Performance 2pm  
16<sup>th</sup> Christmas lunch  
17<sup>th</sup> Reception Classes Christmas Café 9.15am  
17<sup>th</sup> Christmas Service 2pm St John's Church  
18<sup>th</sup> last day of term, school finishes at the usual time.

### January

4<sup>th</sup> School closed  
5<sup>th</sup> School term starts  
8<sup>th</sup> Admissions meeting 9am  
14<sup>th</sup> Parent Forum 3.30 and 6.00pm

## STAR PUPILS

Congratulations to Evie May, Mason, Liam, Trafford, Lewis, Tyreece, Miriam, Logan and Tomas who are our star pupils this week. Well done to you all.

## FOPS 100 CLUB

November winners were 1<sup>st</sup> Deborah Ward, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sandra Heyward, 3<sup>rd</sup> Nick Gay. Thank you to everyone for supporting our school in this way.

## CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Thank you for all the donations of chocolate and other items for the Christmas Fayre that takes place next Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December. The doors open at 2.30pm. Any donations of cakes, toys, books, games etc. will be gratefully received. Please do come along and join the fun and raise funds at the same time.

## SPORTS NEWS

This week our Football and Netball teams played Fowey. The Netball team won their match 8:2 continuing their very successful run this season. Our Football team drew 2:2. This was very close match with Fowey getting the equaliser with the last kick of the game. Our Y3 /4 team lost 2:0 but Mr Dawes was impressed by the improvement they showed. Par Cross Country on Wednesday also produced some very good results with every child taking part improving on their previous performance.

## FESTIVAL OF MUSIC AND SPEECH – report by Mrs Campbell

Last week 47 children representing Pondhu from Year 1 to Year 6 performed in the St Austell Festival of Music and Speech. All children recited either a solo poem or a duologue. I would like to congratulate all the children who took part in this event. They showed dedication and perseverance in learning a poem word for word and then the scary task of performing in front of a large audience! The children were competing in fairly large groups of entrants and their behaviour was impeccable whilst waiting. A special mention must go to Vienna who was placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Y4 Girls and Boys Solo category and Georgia who was placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Y5 Girls and Boys Solo category. Thank you to all parents and grandparents who took the time to support the children in learning their poems and their continued support for this event.

## TEXTILE BAGS

Thank you to everyone who has dropped in the textile bags. The collection will be on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December. Please ensure your bag has been delivered by the end of the previous day.

## ATTENDANCE

Well done to River Cober, Year 4, who achieved 98.2% attendance last week. There were 181 children who achieved 100% last week.

## SCHOOL CLOSURES

As we approach winter this is a good time to remind you of the procedures if school is forced to close due to adverse weather. You should listen to the local radio – Pirate FM or Radio Cornwall for updates. We will also send text messages and put an update on the school website.

*Mrs D Tregellas*

Percentage Attendance Week  
Beginning 24th November 2015

