



Dates coming up

- * **Fencing v St Austell Fencing Club**
30.9.16
- * **Preps V & VI to Morwellham Quay**
3.10.16
- * **Prep IV Family Lunch** 4.10.16
- * **Harvest Service**
7.10.16
- * **Fencing v LPJS Camden**
- * **Preps I & II to Porfell** 10.10.16
- * **Cross country race—Par** 12.10.16
- * **Prep III Assembly**
14.10.16
- * **Preps I & II to Restormel Castle**
18.10.16
- * **INSET day (no school)** 21.10.16
- * **Half Term** 24.10.16-4.11.16



It's remarkable how quickly we all fall back into the rhythm of the school year and now that we are past the equinox, we are beginning to look forward to Harvest. I hope that you will be able to come to the Church of the Good Shepherd to join us and that the children will bring donations to go to local people who are less fortunate than we are.

Please do sign up for Family Lunches. It is a pleasure to welcome you but it really helps with catering to know how many are coming! The charge is used to boost our book fund.

Do remember that all the staff are here to help. If you can't get in when we're here, a message in homework diaries or a phone call will ensure that we can have a chat about anything of concern before it becomes an issue. Working together to support your children is the most important work we do.

Hilary Mann

Fowey River Academy

Fowey River Academy (FRA) are holding two events for potential pupils. The first is for Prep VI pupils, who are invited to spend the day at FRA on 4th October. You can take your child to FRA or we can arrange to have them collected from here. The school will provide a free lunch or your child can take a packed lunch. Please tell Lisa Taylor if you would like your child to be involved in this day, which is followed by an evening event to which parents are invited. Full details and a flyer will be available early next week.

The second event is aimed at younger children too (although no lower age is specified). On Saturday 24th September (tomorrow!) there will be a day of 'adventurous learning', starting at 9.30am in the Sports Hub. Children should be dressed in sportswear. Phone 01726 833484 or email bookmein@fracademy.org.uk.

Timetables and Homework

All the children from Red Class to Prep VI will have a copy of their timetable by now. In the Nursery, the weekly events are on the noticeboard. Looking at the timetable will help you to know when your child will need various types of kit so if you haven't seen anything yet, as your child's form teacher, who will supply one.

Homework is written in your child's homework diary. We would be grateful if you would sign each day to confirm that your child has completed the task. If there is a reason why homework could not be completed, a note from a parent with a solution, will help us understand why something is missing.

Permission Slips

As usual, the beginning of the school year brings a variety of forms to be completed. Children (other than those who have joined this term) have been given a medical questionnaire for parents to complete so that we can update our records;. We have circulated 'general permission slips' to allow us to take your children to such events as swimming lessons or Beach School—this form also asks for permission to take photos and, for older children, to take part in games such as 'Kick the Can'. If you are a new parent and are being asked to give permission for something you don't understand, please ask!

Finally, there are a number of curriculum-based trips going out already. Please remember that we CANNOT take your child with us unless we have a signed slip.

Spring Half Term 2017

We understand that there has been some confusion about the dates of the spring term half term. To confirm—and as stated on our website - half term runs from Monday 13th February to Friday 17th February, with INSET day on 10th February.

Safeguarding

At Roselyon, we take the safeguarding of your children very seriously. Our safeguarding policy is on our website or a hard copy can be obtained from the school office. Our staff have all been trained within the last 6 months on the practice of safeguarding and we are all happy to talk to parents and carers should any of you have concerns. Mrs Mann is the designated safeguarding lead at Roselyon and Mr Simms and Mrs McKeown have also been trained to the same standard.

We are pleased to work with families to ensure that our joint duty of care keeps your children safe.

Sports and Matches

We are delighted at the support parents give their children at matches and meets—it raises the children's performance to know that there's somebody there cheering them on. Can we remind parents, however, that it can be distracting to other competitors when the support is over-enthusiastic!

Collection of Children

Please remember to let us know if your child is being collected by somebody else. We are aware of regular routines but a new person or change of routine should be notified. Be assured that we will always confirm if we don't know the person collecting your child.

Food and Drink

Do remember that we are able to provide breakfast for children in Early Morning Care if parents request it in advance. There is a small charge for this service to cover the cost of the food.

It is good to see the children enjoying their healthy snacks and drinks at breaktime. Please remember that the children need a supply of water from time to time and most benefit from having a water bottle. We have water fountains but a visit away from the classroom disrupts learning time. The Nursery and Red Class children have their own water supply in their classrooms.

Harvest

As previously suggested, our Harvest service will take place on Friday 7th October. The children will be walking down en masse to the Church of the Good Shepherd in Par. The Church is small but parents and friends are most welcome. Gifts of tinned and dried foods well within sell-by date will be donated to the St Austell Kitchen and the Salvation Army. Donations can be brought to school at any time and will be taken to the Church for the service.

Verse Speaking

The St Austell Festival is taking place later this term and we encourage all the children to consider entering the verse speaking competition. Mrs McKeown helps the older children (Preps III-VI) to prepare and Mrs Davies helps the younger children (Red Class-Prep II). For each yeargroup there is a choice of poems—the children have all been given copies of the poems. Entries must be in (with a small fee) next week. We're looking forward to another year of enjoyment (and success!)

Prep V shared stories with Preps I & II this week. I'm not sure who enjoyed it most!

