

Dear Parents/Carers,

We'd like to wish you a Happy New Year and hope you all had a wonderful Christmas!

Celebrating Success

Y1	Cassie Keira Megan Erin	Sid Caitlin Mia Maja	Y2	Chelsea Max Leonie Tyler	Jake Summer Lily Samuel
Y3	Jayden Grace Mawgan Freddie	Lola Toby	Y4	Aidan Kizzie Jasmine Arthur	Olivia Harry Millie Owain
Y5	Veronica Harvey	Leannie Joe	Y6	Isaac John	Evan Aimee

Year One D.T. Day

On Wednesday 2nd December, Year One had a D.T day. During the day we had a group of fantastic parents that came in to help the children create their own, unique space books. The books used our non-fiction writing that we had written in literacy about space. We also included pop-up pages. It was such a fun day. A few weeks later we then read our books with Year 4.

We would like to say a massive thank you to all the parents that came. We couldn't have done it without you!!

Christmas Hat Competition Winners

RGB	Alexis	RCR	Freddie
1NC	Zak	1JK	Cassie
2AB	Megan	2GB	Delphie
3ML	David	3JH	Jasmine
4LR	Owain	4SG	Harry
5RN	Caitlin	5LJ	Russ
6RW	Jake	6CD	Abi



Reminder: Latest school info., School Prospectus etc. are available via our website (www.mount-charles.cornwall.sch.uk). Paper copies available, if required, from the school office.

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Defibrillator Appeal

A big thank you to Mrs Lobb and her son, Ben, who recently raised £70.13 towards our appeal for a defibrillator. Ben sold copies of his fantastic artwork at a local craft event. We will be carrying out more fundraising later on this term, but this is a fantastic way to kick off our appeal. Thank you!



Please Help: Safeguarding

Continued from previous newsletter.... As you know we welcome parental involvement at Mount Charles School. We are, however, experiencing difficulties at the start of the day and ask for your help in resolving them. Once staff are in the playground at 8.30 a.m. we ask that you leave children to play or enter the school. With so many parents around, we are finding it difficult to monitor adults entering the site and ensure the safety of the pupils in the playground.

Computer Games

Through conversations the children have been having in school, it has come to our attention that a significant number of pupils are playing age-inappropriate computer games at home. In the UK, games are now rated on the PEGI system. We would like to draw your attention to the PEGI website: www.pegi.info



Essentially, the PEGI rating on a game confirms that it contains content suitable for a certain age group and above. So, a 7 rated game is suitable for everyone who is seven or older while an 18-rated game is deemed suitable **only** for adults. It is not, however, a measure of who will enjoy the game or how difficult that game is. There are also descriptors to help you decide if

the game is suitable for your child to play.



It is important to note that in the UK, PEGI 12, 16 and 18 ratings are legally enforceable meaning that they cannot be supplied to persons below those respective age bars.

Through playing a game not suitable for their age group, children will be exposed to language and content they are unable to deal with. Children often like to play games that their friends play and are too shy to say that they find them scary or that they are worried by them. Advice on the PEGI website will support you in talking to your child and help you in choosing suitable games that are age/stage appropriate.

DIARY DATES	
January	
Tues. 12 th	Football/Netball v. Biscovey (home)
Tues. 12 th	Year 5 Bikeability
Thurs. 14 th	Year 5 Bikeability
Thurs. 14 th	Print Making Creative Workshop - Penrice
Mon. 18 th	Tag Rugby v. Newquay (home) - Years 3 & 4
Tues. 19 th	Year 5 Gifted & Talented Maths Workshop @ Poltair
Tues. 19 th	Football & Netball v. St. Stephen (away)
Wed. 27 th	Year 2 Trip to Truro Museum
February	
Tues. 2 nd	Year 5 Gifted & Talented Maths Workshop @ Poltair
Wed. 3 rd	Clive Pig, Storyteller - Year 4
Wed. 3 rd	Year 4 Assembly to Parents (with Clive Pig) - 2.40 p.m.
Thurs. 4 th	St. Austell School Games Swimming Gala - to be confirmed
Wed. 10 th	Science Workshop @ Penrice Academy
Wed. 10 th	Year 1 Visit to Truro Cathedral, Truro
Fri. 12 th	St. Austell School Games Swimming Gala Qualifier - Newquay - a.m. (yes we know it's an INSET Day) - details to follow
Fri. 12 th	INSET Day - School Closed to Pupils
w/c Mon. 15 th	HALF TERM
Mon. 22 nd	Return to School



Celebrate 90 years of England Netball in February



Over the weekend of 12-15 February 2016, teams of all ages and abilities from all over the country are invited to join in 90 hours of netball. This is a charity record breaking match staged in partnership with Sport Relief and recognised by the Guinness Book of Records.

Whilst the event is being held in London we feel it important to join in with the celebrations. On **Thursday 11th February** we would like to hold a 90minute netball event (**3pm-4:30pm**). The nature of the event will depend on how many people we can get involved.

It is open to all parents and carers (male and female!) as well as children of all ages. If the whole family wants to come along then that would be fantastic! If we have enough people then it would be nice to hold a training session to remind those that have played before and to teach those who haven't and follow that up with some games or a tournament (teams will be arranged by Miss Furniss based on who signs up and health and safety!). It would be appreciated if a donation to Sport Relief could be made at the start of the event.

If you and your family would like to enter please enter the details below. Please could completed forms be returned to the Office by Monday 18th January to allow for the event to be organised appropriately. Further information will then be sent out to those who have entered.

We look forward to seeing you there.

The following people would like to take part in the 90 minute Netball Event on Thursday 11th February from 3pm to 4:30pm.

Name	Gender	Age (a rough guide if you'd rather – just to ensure fair teams)	Donation paid (to be ticked by a member of school staff)