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## Lew Trenchard C of E Primary School Weekly Newsletter - 17th November 2017

**Congratulations** - A huge congratulations to Melissa who had a beautiful baby boy yesterday (Thursday), we look forward to meeting you both soon!

**Toddler Group** - Next week's activity is *messy play- Cheerios, cold spaghetti and gloop!* Which sounds like another brilliant session, but we would suggest bringing spare clothes! Sessions are £2 per family on a Thursday morning 9.15am to 11.15am in the school hall. Justine loves messy play - prepare for fun!

**Pre-School** - Please can we ask that your children come to school wearing clothes that can get dirty. There will be messy play on Thursday morning when they pre-school visit the toddler session but the pre-school encourage messy play daily as part of the Early Learning curriculum. Can we please remind parents that sessions start at 9.15am to 1pm or 3.30pm. We are not insured for children that exceed their booked hours **please** collect on time.

### **Christmas Fair Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 5-7pm**

Offers of help, raffle prizes and cakes will be gratefully received. Please remember any books or toys for the year 6 stall.

**Christmas Draw Tickets** - Draw tickets are being sent home in school bags. They are £1 each, with the draw taking place at the Victory Hall on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December at around 7.30pm. First prize is a Large Hamper, Second prize a 19" LED TV, and Third prize a Chocolate and Wine Hamper. Thank you for all the lovely donations that have been handed in for this event, and good luck!

**Wreath Decorating** - This very popular annual event is taking place at the Victory Hall NEXT WEEK on the 29<sup>th</sup> November. Please let the office know if you are able to help, or if you are able to make any donations of greenery or decorations. This is a really lovely day of creating some Christmas Wreaths to sell at the Christmas Fair, and also a nice chance to have a chat and a giggle, and even some tea and cake!

**Sports Events** - Congratulations to the Cycle Cross Team, who came a brilliant third this week! It was very unfortunate that the weather forced the Netball festival to be postponed, hopefully we will soon have another date set for this event, as it is a great opportunity to meet other schools within the Academy.

**Vandalism In School** - We have repeatedly had incidences of people putting paper towels and tissue in the fan. Firstly, this is an electrical danger, and secondly there is a risk of falling as they are standing on the back of the toilet to do this. Until we discover how this is happening, we have locked the toilet as we feel this poses too much of a safety risk.

**Jo Downs, Launceston** - We thought you might like to know that Jo Downs have an Open Family Day on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 10am to 4pm. See their website for more details.

**Parent/Carer Survey** - We have sent home a quick survey, please could you complete this in order for us to see where we can improve the provisions we provide. If there is something you would like us to improve or work then please let us know - we can only address issues if we know about them and we are always willing to listen if you would rather come in and chat. All completed surveys can be posted in the red box outside the office. Thank you.

**Christmas Lunch** - The Christmas Lunch will be on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December, and letters have gone home so we know how many children to cater for. Please forms be returned (in the red box outside the office) by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December at the latest. Thank you.

**Uniform** - We have lots of uniform in lost property, please come and check to see if any of the items belong to your child. Any clothes left in the basket after 2 weeks will be added to our pre loved rail.

**Church School and School Improvement**

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We have been focusing on improving the quality of our RE teaching over the past weeks and we hope that you notice how much more information and opportunities for discussion the children have had recently. As a school we have been learning about the creation story and how this links to other world views and our responsibility to look after our world.

## BIRTHDAYS

A very special lady, Mrs Dawkins, celebrates her birthday this week! We hope she has a really fantastic day!

<b>After School Clubs this half-term</b>			
<b>DAY</b>	<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<b>YEAR</b>	<b>TAKEN BY</b>
<b>Monday</b>	Choir	All	Mrs McMorrow
<b>Tuesday</b>	Taekwondo	All	South Coast Martial Arts
	Cycling	5-6	Geoff Whitlow and Mrs Thorp
<b>Wednesday</b>	Multi Skills	R - 2	Miss Vincent and Miss Starmore
<b>Thursday</b>	Football	1-6	Plymouth Argyle Football in the Community
<b>Friday</b>	Netball	3 - 6	Gemma Cole

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2017

29<sup>th</sup> November - Wreath making at the Victory Hall

1<sup>st</sup> December - Christmas Fair

12<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Play; Evening Performance

13<sup>th</sup> December 2.30pm Christmas Church Service

14<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Play; Afternoon Performance

18th December 2017 - 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2018 - Christmas Holidays! Back to school **3<sup>rd</sup> January**

## **2018**

5<sup>th</sup> January - Non-pupil Day - no school!

12<sup>th</sup> February - 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018 - February Half-Term! Back to school **19<sup>th</sup> February**

20th March - Year 6 talk with Okehampton College

30<sup>th</sup> March - 13<sup>th</sup> April 2018 - Easter Holidays! Back to school **16<sup>th</sup> April**

7<sup>th</sup> May - Bank Holiday Monday!

22<sup>nd</sup> May - Year 6 talk with Okehampton College, with parents

25<sup>th</sup> May - 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018 - May Half-Term! Back to school **4<sup>th</sup> June**

26<sup>th</sup> July - Summer Holidays!

**Holidays** - Please could we ask that any holiday/absences be requested in writing and handed in to the school office. **Sickness and diarrhoea** - If your child experiences an upset stomach, they should be kept off school for a **minimum of 48hrs**, in order to minimise the spread the illnesses.

**Morning drop-off** - If your child is ill, or will be in slightly late, please could you make sure that you contact school (**01566 783 273**) so we can inform class teachers. If your child is not in school by 9.30am, and we have not received a message, they could be registered as late, and this will affect their attendance.

**Parent Advice Slots** - Our family support advisor, Sue Fairgrieve, will be starting up parent advice slots on Mondays from 3pm. Please see Tracey or Bex if you would like any further information.

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