# NEWSLETTER



# Flushing C of E Primary School

#### WEEK ENDING 2nd May

#### Dear Parents/ Carers,

This week in school we have been busy preparing for the VE 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations. Starfish and Dolphins have been busy making table decorations for the village street party on Sunday. There are lots of lovely things planned for the street party and everyone is invited so please come and support this community event. We have also been busy practising songs for our VE Day celebrations next Thursday. The children will be singing in the playground at 9 a.m. so please come along to see them. The children will also be completing some activities in school and partaking in an assembly to understand the importance of the day. We can't wait to see them dressed in their red, white and blue clothes

It has been very warm this week and so we ask that children come to school with hats and suncream already applied. Water bottles are essential and these can be refilled during the day as needed.

Wishing everyone a lovely bank holiday weekend and we will see you back in school on Tuesday.

**Best Wishes** 

**Mrs Power** 

## **MEET THE GOVERNORS**

#### Sue Treneer Resources Committee

My family have always lived in the area and been involved with Flushing and the events that take place there. My three daughters attended the school, and I became a parent Governor, then filled the role of Local Authority Governor. I was appointed as Chairman in 1999 for three years, with a special interest in Early Years Education. The school has always had so much to offer children in a all round education. I fully support the school, it's ethos and the care given to the children. So many of them have such positive and fond memories of their time there.

I trained as an infant teacher and after a year of working in a Reception class in Torquay, returned back home and continued to work in pre school settings locally. All three daughters live nearby with 6 grandchildren.



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#### **HELP PLEASE**



Is there anyone around at the end of school that could help us lift a shed into the Early Years Area. If so could you let caroline know in the office. Thanks—Many hands will make light work!

DATES

THURSDAY 8TH MAY 9.00 CHILDREN SIGNING IN THE PLAYGROUND FOR VE DAY—CHILDREN COME DRESSED IN RED, WHITE AND BLUE

- MONDAY 12TH—15TH MAY—KEY STAGE 2 SATS
- TUESDAY 20TH MAY 2.45 READING SESSION—PARENTS INVITED
- TUESDAY 20TH MAY—PARENTS MEETING RE WRAP AROUND 5.30P.M.
- MONDAY 26TH—FRIDAY 30TH MAY—HALF TERM
- MODAY 16TH JUNE—READING CAFÉ
- TUESDAY 17TH JUNE SPORTS DAY 1.30
- WEDNESDAY 18TH JUNE—RESERVE SPORTS DAY
- THURSDAY 19TH JUNE—CLASS PHOTOS
- WEDNESDAY 25TH—27TH JUNE—YEAR 5/6 CAMP
- FRIDAY 18TH JULY YEAR 6 PRODUCTION
- WEDNESDAY 23RD JULY—INSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED.

#### ATTENDANCE



Regular school attendance is so very important for our children. Not only do days missed mean they miss out on learning but also on that crucial time socialising with their friends. We recog-

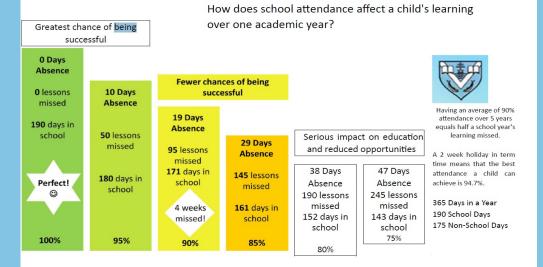
nise that there are times when a child is too ill to attend school and when this is the case, please phone the school office before 8:45 to let us know. Children are expected to be in school at 8:45 each day. Registers are taken at 8:50 and children arriving between 8:50 and 9 are marked at late. Children arriving after this time will be recorded as an unauthorised absence. Here at Flushing School, we recognise that there are occasions when it is appropriate to authorise an absence, such as when a pupil is genuinely too ill to attend school. However, the Government does not support parents taking children out of school unless the school agrees this is appropriate under 'exceptional circumstances'. Any request for leave should be made in writing to the Headteacher using the school's 'Leave of Absence Exceptional Circumstances' request form (found in reception) Holidays during term time are not deemed an 'exceptional circumstance' If you are finding attendance a challenging issue for your child, please get in contact with us.

If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £80 if paid within 21 days or £160 if paid after this but within 28 days.

If your child is further absent from school without authorisation within any 3- year period, you will be committing a further offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices for a second offence are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £160, payable within 28 days.

Importantly, fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action such as a parenting order or prosecution will be considered.

Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may also result in legal action. If you are prosecuted and attend court because your child has not been attending school, you could get a fine of up to £2,500. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs. Absence not authorised by the school may also result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Again, Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.



## Do you love to sing, dance and act?

National Award-Winning All Starz are super excited to bring to Cornwall for the very first time, Musical in a Week!

Within 5 days, the highly qualified team of West End creatives will teach the young actors to perform a much-loved classic musical, which is then performed publicly.

This year we are pleased to be performing MATILDA.

This awesome opportunity is from Monday 28th July to Friday 1st August

For all young people aged between 5 and 18 years old

9am to 5pm each day

Performances on the Friday at 3pm and 6pm

At Truro School

An early drop-off service is available if needed. For children aged between 5 and 8 years old, there is also the option for an earlier collection.

All staff are DBS checked.

This exciting opportunity is open to everyone, all abilities are welcome, and there are no auditions to participate. It is first come first served,
so make sure you register your place quickly with tolley.angell@yahoo.co.uk



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