



SIJS NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parent / Carers

All staff and governors at SIJS would like to wish everyone A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS and here's to a peaceful & respectful 2011, locally, nationally and beyond.

It was lovely seeing so many relations during our open afternoon and there was a lovely, happy buzz sharing learning, throughout. Thank you to all who were able to make it.

Thanks also for your support during all the evening performances of Santa Sings the Blues. Your children were brilliant and we very much hope you all enjoyed the show!



Huge thanks to Mr Allcock and Ms Teagle for orchestrating it; all the teachers plus support staff and to Mr Barden for providing musical accompaniment.

BOOK FAYRE

A massive thank-you to all families who have supported the annual book fayre. We have beaten last years target with a total of taking £780, which has meant that we can buy books worth £405 for our library, which will benefit all of our children.



Happy reading!

Ms Teagle, English Leader.

Get Spelling!

Exciting news!!! From January 2011 all students at SIJ's will be focusing on a key issue across the school; SPELLING!

We have purchased the highly recommended spelling program entitled 'Get Spelling' and everyday for 10 minutes students in all classes will follow the spelling programme. The daily structure of Get Spelling means there is no longer the need for weekly class spelling quizzes, and pupils will be bringing home their spelling learning books daily to enable you to support your child with spelling at home.

Please ensure that your child remembers to bring their spelling booklet into school with them daily as they will need it to continue their learning in class.

Frog Winners

For leading the way across the whole of the country with our Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) Frog, we have 8 super cool Frog sweatshirts to give away to 2 students in each year



group for the most innovative use of Frog. Teachers have been scouring pupils web pages and monitoring their contributions to learning conversations to see who has been extraordinarily creative.

The winners are:

Year 3: Ryan Goodman and Toby Green

Year 4: Thomas Evamy and George Christopher

Year 5: Marcus Manley and Finn Morley
Year 6: Alice Barry and Hannah Goodman

Congratulations to all the winners. By getting involved with Frog students learn a huge range of IT skills and have the opportunity to download the day's lessons as well as revisiting their learning after the school day. It is well known that unless you revisit learning within 24 hours it is lost. Please do everything you can over Christmas to encourage your child to get even more active with Frog.

Many thanks,
Mr Allcock, ICT Leader.

CAKE SALE

Many thanks to all the parents/carers who sent in cakes for the cake sale.

We made a massive total of £116, which will be put towards IT equipment for the school.



Thank you Mrs Nicol and Year 6 helpers.

100% ATTENDANCE

HUGE congratulations go to the 32 pupils who have attended school every day this term. You will all receive a special certificate.

32/266 = 12%
Down slightly from 2009
This was 18%

So let's all work hard at aiming for 100% in the Spring term 2011.

The first day of Spring term is
WEDNESDAY 5th January 2011.

(Not Monday! Apologies for the mistake in the previous newsletter.)

Sincere best wishes,
Sue Smith

Swimming Lessons at St.Ives Leisure Centre

We are currently offering a range of swimming lessons following the ASA's National Plan for Teaching Swimming. We take children from 6 months to 16 years, complete beginners to competitive swimmers.

We offer a range of classes a variety of times of the week to suit all lifestyles.

Once your child is a confident swimmer we can offer interesting and fun courses in Water Polo, Rookie lifeguard and Synchronised swimming.

Easy payment terms are available with direct debit, especially useful if you have more than one child to consider.

We are currently enrolling for our next term so book your place now to avoid disappointment.

Please ring St.Ives Leisure centre on 01736 797006.

Thank you,
Astrid Selley



First Aid Courses for Parents/Carers

If you are interested in this course then please let the School know as we are willing to prioritise funding for it. We need 12 people and we need to know when would be the best time for you to take the course.

Thank you, Mrs Smith.



"If your baby or child choked or stopped breathing, would you know what to do to save their life?"

A recent survey commissioned by the Tesco Baby & Toddler Club revealed that more than 82% of parents who faced one of these emergency situations didn't have a clue.

58% of parents and parents-to-be said that choking was their major safety concern for their babies, toddlers and young children, with falls or bumps to the head a close second at 37%."

First Aid South West are now offering schools the opportunity to help build and develop a parent partnership. To continually support and provide guidance to parents, your school can offer a series of important courses that both protect and care for the well being and health of your children.

Parental knowledge, education and having an understanding of basic paediatric first aid protocols will ensure parents and carers are equipped to deal with life saving situations with children. The course is delivered by an approved Health and Safety (HSE) Instructor and the content meets the current legislative requirements and guidelines.

A course delivered in your setting for up to 12 delegates will cost £300 (+VAT), and can be delivered at weekends or evenings to suit.

Special Certificates and Purple Tickets

W/E 18/12/10

Class 1. Talan Pearce
Class 1. Erin Lansdowne
Class 2. Georgia Manzie
Class 2. Connor Symons
Class 2. Kezia Elliot
Class 3. Zack Broomfield
Class 3. Alfie Paxton
Class 4. Chloe Turner
Class 4. Mila Watson
Class 5. Jack Upton
Class 5. Dylan Sharps
Class 6. Holly Cullen
Class 6. Joseph Cross
Class 7. Felix McCrossen-Sadler
Class 7. Lilly-Mae Lander
Class 8. Callum Duncliff
Class 8. Sinead Stevens
Class 9. Callum McIntyre
Class 9. Molly-Ann Hall
Class 10. Tyler Cooper
Class 10. Kamil Akinti

No more Purple Tickets until the
New Year.

Thank you.



Congratulations
Well done