

SIR ROBERT GEFFERY'S SCHOOL – NEWSLETTER

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THIS WEEK:

16-20 Jul	Booster Swimming Lessons (AM)
Fri 20 Jul	1.15pm Leavers Assembly Last day of school
Mon 23 Jul	New Y6/7 parents eve – Saltash

End of year message

A huge thank you for all you have done this year to support our learning community. The children have had a wide range of experiences and a good year of learning. The staff have all worked hard and know the children in their care so well. I am indebted to each one for the work that they do at SRG.

Finally we want to wish our leavers well for the future. They are a talented group of individuals and we feel proud of their many achievements. They have certainly represented the school well and we look forward to hearing about their future successes.

We will also miss all the families that we will lose this year and thank you for all that you have done while your children have been at SRG. We hope that you will come back and visit and keep us up to date with your news.

Team Photographs

Team photos were taken last Friday, but because of the tight timescales, they have been uploaded onto the Class Photography website instead of proofs being sent home.

To view and order them, please go to:

www.class-photography.co.uk

Event Code: SRG Passcode: 119682

Speech Day

Thank you to all of you who came and supported us during the morning. We were proud of the children and their achievements. We were really please to meet the new Clerk to the Ironmongers Charlie Knaggs and his wife Georgie. The new Master The Lord Garvagh was very impressed by the children and the school learning environment.

The certificates will be sent home today.

Well done to those who received a trophy – please remember that we will need them back in good time for Speech day next year.

Farm Rota

Please, please, please do sign up to feed the animals and water plants over the summer. If all families do one session, the rota would be full quickly.

There will be no sheep on site so Polly, the pigs, hens and guinea pigs will need their water checking and food.

Feel free when you are there to picnic or use the forest school area. In the growing area is a large sandpit where children can enjoy playing and digging.

The list is in the office - do consider adding your name. Either Will or Phil can go through the routine and it will be written on the board.

Leaver's Assembly

Friday 20 July at 1.15pm

We have had a taster at Speech day and we are now looking forward to seeing the children perform on Friday afternoon.

Residential Consent forms

Please return consent forms for the KS2 residential in September, by Friday 20 July.

Holidays

There seems to be a rumour circling that some people are able to have holidays authorised and others not. Our policy is not to authorise any holiday unless it is on compassionate grounds eg. due to terminal illness etc.

This is the policy of schools locally as well.

Fortunately, most of our parents are very sensible about attendance and our children's attendance is very good overall.

It is expected that every child should have 95% or above attendance, between 90-95% is now nationally considered poor and under 90% is very poor and unacceptable. We regularly publish the data sheets so you can track your own child statistics.

The Education Welfare Officer becomes involved with any child whose attendance is under 90%. However we usually speak to parents way before this and we try to make sure that we work together so that they rise quickly.

We understand that holidays are cheaper in term time but we are not allowed to authorise for this reason. It is the same rule for everybody.

SOS

Please return any:

Weekly awards

Reading books

Sports kit

That you have at home – thank you

Dinner Money

Please check your ParentPay account – **all debts need to be paid off by Friday 20 July**. If you are unable to check your ParentPay account, please ask in the office.

Please also check that you've paid for all other items, swimming lessons, school trips etc.

Congratulations...

Well done to Alice R who received a Distinction in her grade 2 singing exam.
(Thank you Mrs Suckling)

Friends of SRG

We raised £274.49 from the school disco – thank you all.

The Friends would like to thank everyone who has helped with events, donations of cakes etc. throughout the year. Without your generosity we wouldn't be able to raise the amount of money for the school that we have. Thank you.

St Lukes Hospice – Neon Midnight Walk

The Steady Ready Girls are once again walking the neon midnight walk on Saturday 21 July, hoping to raise money for St Luke's Hospice. If you would like to support them, please visit their Everyday Hero page...

<https://midnightwalk2018.everydayhero.com/uk/steady-ready-girls>

Solar Meter Reading this week: 67,048 kW



Parking

Please do not park outside Lowertown Farm cottage, it is a private space outside the house and the owners have asked that we make this specific request.

Summer Reading Challenge

This year the theme is:

MISCHIEF MAKERS

It started on Saturday 14 July – go in to your local library and choose your first book.

Cake Sale

Thank you to all who donated cakes last Thursday – we raised £78.83 for the Desperate Greekies dog shelters in Greece – this cake sale was requested by Rosie B in year 6.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

NEXT WEEK:

Enjoy your summer holidays

NEXT SCHOOL YEAR:

Wed 5 Sep	Back to School
Fri 21 Sep	Mufti Day
Mon 24 Sep	Yr 6: Residential – Cadover
Tue 25 Sep	Yr 5: Residential – Cadover
Wed 26 Sep	Yr 4: Residential – Cadover
Thu 27 Sep	Yr 3: Residential – Cadover
Thu 4 Oct	7pm Friends AGM
Fri 19 Oct	Inset Day
22-26 Oct	Half Term
Wed 31 Oct	School Photos
Fri 2 Nov	Reception - Yr 5: Flu Immunisation
Fri 21 Dec	Christmas Holidays start
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Tue 8 Jan	Back to School

2018-19 Term Dates

4 September – 20 December

Half Term: 22 – 26 October

Inset Days: 4 September and 19 October

7 January – 5 April

Half Term: 18 – 22 February

Inset Days: 7 January

23 April – 25 July

Half Term: 27 – 31 May

Inset Days: 3 June and 25 July

LOST PROPERTY

Grey school shorts – named Owen G