



Achieving and Flourishing Together in God's Loving Arms



ACADEMY NEWS!

Our Multi Academy has a new addition! We are delighted to announce the Academy for Character and Excellence will be taking over the leadership of Totnes St John's Church of England Primary School on 1st September 2018, initially under a Management Partnership, with academy conversion planned for the Autumn term. We are really excited at the prospect of being formally responsible for the school. We are now in the position to be able to inform parents and carers of the outcomes of many meetings and negotiations that have been taking place over the last month. Mrs Burns will be supporting the new Head of School as an Executive Headteacher. Mrs Burns will continue in her role as Head of Galmpton and is very well supported by Mrs Stewart who steps into an Assistant Head of School role, alongside Mrs Hartley and Mrs Butler in their leadership roles. Mrs Burns has been working across the schools in the trust for some time now and will continue to fulfil her role as Head at Galmpton in much the same way. This is a really exciting opportunity for both St John's and the Trust and we look forward to the continuing benefits that are to be had from schools working collaboratively.



Beginning of the School day

To ease the difficulties around roadworks at Galmpton we took the decision to open our gates at 8.30 to make things easier for children being dropped at school. This has worked incredibly well and we're pleased to hear that drop offs are less stressful for you! We are happy to continue with this arrangement but the school will not open IT'S DOORS until **8.45am**. Teachers and office staff must have the time to prepare for their days work. So if you need to speak to the office or deliver letters please wait until that time. Although there will be a member of staff on the gate each day, we are not able to closely supervise the children on the playground and will not take responsibility for your child until 8.45am. If you feel your child needs supervising until that time please come and wait on the playground with them. In the event of rain/poor weather, children will be allowed to go under the covered area, however there is limited space here so please ensure your child is equipped with a raincoat and umbrella. It may be that on very rainy days it would be more sensible for you to bring your child to school at the doors opening time of 8.45am.

End of the School day

Can you please ensure that you leave the school premises by 3.40pm. We understand that it's nice to have a 'catch up' with other parents but on Friday there were still parents out on the playground and in school at 4.25pm. Our site manager will open playground doors at 3pm so there is time for parents to meet and socialise briefly. Our cleaners are struggling to complete their work, including the cleaning of toilets, and are having to leave jobs because so many children are still on the school grounds. Smartiezone run a great after school club should you need that provision. We have also had complaints from our neighbours saying that at the end of the day the behaviour of children is poor, with school equipment and sticks being thrown into the stream and over into their gardens. Please ensure you are supervising your child at the end of the day and that they do not stray outside of the field perimeter (access to the living pathway is not allowed). Thank you

Don't Forget to Support our Summer Fayre this Sunday!!



Look out for our next July newsletter with End of Term information!!

Galampton Summer Term

Wednesday 27th June – Y4 ACE Community Singing Project at St Peters Church, Shaldon, 10AM - 5.30PM

Sunday 1st July - Summer Fayre & Gooseberry Pie Fayre 12.00 - 3.00pm
****Please be mindful of limited parking in the village****

Monday 2nd July - Friday 6th July - Y5 Hill House residential

Thursday 5th July - Eucharist 2.15pm - all parents welcome

Friday 6th July – KS1 & KS2 Storytelling Event, Buckfast Abbey

Monday 9th July - Y2 leading Worship - 2.45pm

Tuesday 10th July - Sports Day (weather permitting)

Thursday 12th July - YR Trip to Living Coasts

Friday 13th July - Y1 leading Worship - 2.45pm

Monday 16th July - End of Year reports given out and Purple Fundraising Day!

Tuesday 17th July - Sports Day (reserve date)

Thursday 19th July - Meet the teacher day for pupils / Y6 leavers service in Barn Chapel 2.30pm / Galampton's Got Talent 1.45pm (pupils) & 6.30pm (parents)

Friday 20th July - YR leading Worship - 2.45pm / Y6 Leavers Party - time TBC

Tuesday 24th July - Open classrooms - 2.15pm

Wednesday 25th July - Whole school leavers Service - time TBC