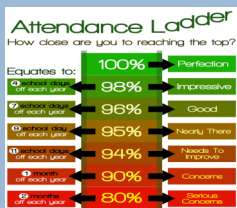




Veryan Primary School News

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Friday 13th December 2019



Expected average attendance for a child is 96.1%. Our attendance for last week was:

Carne: 100% Pendower: 92.78% Kiberick: 96.09%

Congratulations **Carne** you are our attendance heroes this week.
WOW 100% ATTENDANCE!!



*Pendower class trip to
Bodmin recycling facility*



"It was amazing....the trucks moved really fast and pushed the stuff about!"

"We got to make things afterwards and play a game of recycling; I was great at it!"

Thank you to Mrs Beetham for driving some of our children and joining us for the experience, we hope you had a lovely day? Thank you also, to parents/carers for your help with the zero waste lunchboxes on the day. We made it onto the leader board - joint first place with Newlyn School with a total of 9 waste items after our meal.

Veryan Christmas Tree Festival



Veryan School are pleased to be taking part in the Church Christmas Tree Festival

this year. We have made decorations for our tree which will be displayed with others from local community groups from Sunday 15th-29th December.

Volunteers are needed to help sit in the church for an hour or so during these two weeks to help care for the trees. If you are able to help, please contact Ann Craven on: 01872 501731

It can be chilly in the church so we would advise wrapping up warm and taking a lidded drinking cup with a hot drink as the Church are unable to serve these.

Our decorations need to be taken down on Monday 30th December—would any families be willing and able to do this on our behalf? Please let Mrs Allan in the school office know as soon as possible.

With grateful thanks

Facebook: www.facebook.com/RoselandFestival/

Instagram: [@roselandfestival](https://www.instagram.com/roselandfestival)

Website: www.roselandfestival.co.uk



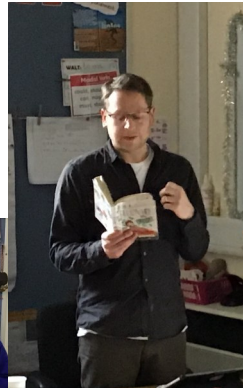
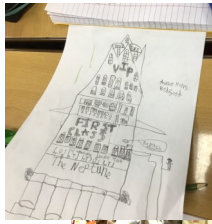
Tom McLaughlin

WOW! What an inspiring visit from Tom on Monday! A HUGE thank you to The

Roseland Festival (details above) and our PFA, without their generosity this workshop wouldn't have been possible and it was a fantastic experience for the children.

Tom spent the whole day at Vervan School working with each class and tailoring his conversations, drawings, story telling, ideas and sharing experiences with the children. The teachers have all commented on how keen the children were to try out some of the skills Tom had discussed, and parents have reported that children came home inspired - busily writing and drawing into the night, which is fantastic news!

If your child enjoyed Tom's visit and would like to buy one of his books, Tom kindly signed some book plates for us to add to the front of any of his books sent to us from Waterstones. These will be available until next week and are payable on your Parentpay account (or correct cash) for £6.00.



Christmas lunch on Wednesday
18th December

Meal orders have now been passed to the kitchen. Any orders after 11/12/2019 will NOT be included and you will need to provide your child with a packed lunch on this day.

Children and staff are all invited to wear their normal uniforms with a Christmas jumper for the day!



We have decided to be more eco-friendly this year and, rather than have Christmas crackers with our Christmas lunch, we are inviting every child to make a festive hat using recycled materials. They can bring these hats into school on Wednesday morning ready for their lunch. As an extra bit of fun, perhaps they can write one or two jokes to share with their friends?

Why has Santa been banned from sooty chimneys?

Carbon footprints!



Congratulations and many thanks to our fantastic PFA for organising and running another successful Christmas Fair.

Thanks to everyone who came along on the day to support, or contributed and donated. Together you raised around £1400 for the school and our children!

We hope you had a lovely afternoon and it got you all feeling festive? Well done to Mrs Green for all her effort in preparing the choir and leading them in some beautiful Christmas tunes.

The Polar Express welcomed Carne Class at the Bodmin and Wenford Railway



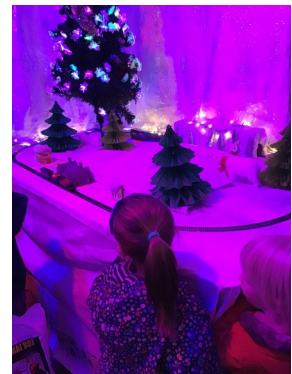
"The thing about trains...it doesn't matter where they are going. What matters is deciding to get on."



"All aboard!"



"Seeing is believing, but sometimes the most real things in the world are the things we can't see."



"There's no greater gift than friends."



Student of the Week



Carne - Ellis for demonstrating amazing confidence in the rehearsals for the nativity.

Pendower - Florence for being such a warm and friendly member of our school.

Kiberick— Leo for having such determination to improve his own learning



12 Days of Christmas fire safety



Check your Christmas tree lights carry this British Safety Standard sign.



Never place candles near your Christmas tree or materials that can catch light easily.



Test the batteries in your smoke alarm every week. Never remove them.

Autumn term2 - diary dates

Please note some additional information below:



Friday 13th December

- Open the Book in Collective Worship

Sunday 15th December—29th December

- Veryan Christmas Tree Festival (See box on page 1.)

Tuesday 17th December

- Christmas Carols/Nativity Service. Veryan Church. 5.30-6.30approx (children to school 5pm please)

Wednesday 18th December

- Whole School Christmas lunch—wear a festive/ decorated jumper with your uniform! Bring a home-made Christmas hat and festive joke to share!

Friday 20th December

- No collective worship on this day
- Party clothes non-uniform day
- PFA school disco in the afternoon - please collect your children directly from the hall. No bags are needed in school on this day.
- Last day of term. 3.15pm finish. Merry Christmas!

Monday 6th January

- New term begins

Dates and times are added & altered throughout the term—keep an eye on this section for amendments.

Friday Golden Time Club

Refreshments will be available on Friday 13th from the Year 6's, so please bring money as usual if you would like anything.

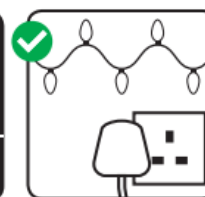
Thank you and Merry Christmas from the Year 6s



Decorations can burn easily – so don't attach them to lights or heaters.



Keep candles, lighters and matches out of children's reach. Never leave burning candles unattended.



Never overload electrical sockets. Always switch Christmas lights off and unplug them before you go to bed.



Most fires start in the kitchen. Avoid leaving a cooker unattended.



Make sure your family and visitors know how to escape in an emergency.



Make sure cigarettes are put out properly.



Store fireworks safely. Never go back to a lit firework and keep a bucket of water nearby.



Take care around open fireplaces as clothes may catch fire.



Take time to check on elderly relatives and neighbours this Christmas as they are at greater risk from fire.