



St Ives Infant and Nursery School

<https://www.st-ives-inf.cornwall.sch.uk/web>

Key Dates

Parents evenings – week beginning 18th October.
Letters will be coming out next week for you to book your appointments. These will be held virtually.

Half Term - 25th – 29th October

Individual Photographs – 2nd November.

Achievers Assembly

We are very proud to share our achievers for the last 2 weeks...

	Week ending 01.10.21	Week ending 08.10.21
Treen	Kassius	Arlo NK
Perran	Emmie	Miller
Lamorna	Aria	Maggie
Kynance	Leo	Eden
Gwithian	Rosie	Ed
Godrevy	Alfie	Esme



Governance

We welcomed Simon Stevens to our governing body this week, but we still need one further parent governor. If you are interested in becoming a school governor, then please speak to the office.

Staffing

Unfortunately, due to the number of new bugs and viruses which seem to be circulating with vengeance, we have had quite a number of staff absence due to illness. This has coincided with a lack of cover staff available across the county in all roles.

I would therefore like to say a huge thank you to staff for stepping into roles across school, often with short notice, as the last two weeks have been particularly difficult. Everyone has pulled together to ensure the children do not miss out.

Thank you too for your support and understanding.

Mrs Thomas returns to school today and will work the mornings initially, with a supply teacher covering afternoons.

Mrs Beach returned to school yesterday.

I am also happy to say that Mr Hart will be staying with us in Treen class, for the rest of the year. He has been a great asset to the team, and we are delighted he has chosen to stay.

After School Clubs

What a fantastic start to our after-school provision this week.

We had tall tower building using marshmallows and cocktail sticks, children leaping around trying to stay on the Islands, budding journalists planning their first interviews, footballers developing their key dribbling skills, new covers created for favourite books and a very relaxing yoga session!

We will get better at sharing photos and updates on Dojo or Facebook – the first session was just too exciting and many of us forgot!

Every single member of staff has loved delivering these sessions!

Community

Free for All**9th October

10am St Ives Guildhall

A great event in which you can drop off any items you no longer use or need (Fri 8th 4 – 6pm or Sat 9th 9 – 10am). On the day itself you can drop in and pick up things you need, at no cost – its Free for All!

Rag Bag Bin

[Rag Bag - Textile Recycling \(rag-bag.co.uk\)](http://rag-bag.co.uk)

Our much-awaited Rag Bag bin is due to arrive in the next few weeks. It gives our whole community a place to recycle textiles and for school to raise some much needed funds in the process.

Half term is an ideal time for a sort out of your wardrobes ready for the change in weather.

MAD (Make a Difference) DAY

Our next M.A.D day is the **16th October from 10am**. We are continuing with our Early Years outdoor development. If you can help, please let the office, or Mrs Lamb, know so we can plan a safe way of operating over the day.



Attendance

Every Day Counts!



A reminder that any absences should be reported to the school office before 8.30am on the day of absence.

Our full policy regarding absences (including lates), subsequent support and/or actions can be found on our website.

[Welcome to St Ives Infant School \(st-ives-inf.cornwall.sch.uk\)](http://st-ives-inf.cornwall.sch.uk)

Final Note

In supporting Cornwall Public health with further restrictions in school, it has unfortunately meant that our planned open afternoon for parents is no longer able to go ahead. This is hugely frustrating for everyone, so we are currently planning a virtual tour/introduction to our school and classroom environments.

Please sign up for Class Dojo if you haven't already. Its another way of us to stay connected in these tricky times where we might not get quite the same opportunities to speak in person.

Please remember that for anything timely, or urgent, to get in touch by phoning the school office or by email.

We are also currently working on a 'restriction friendly' Christmas event which we hope to enjoy with the whole community. Hopefully we can share news very soon.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Leisa Farrar

