#### St Levan Primary School where all children SHINE...for life

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6th December 2024

Dear Families

Somehow we have arrived in December! Where has the year gone?

There has been lots of Christmas production practice going on this week. I think you are all going to be wonderfully entertained next Thursday. Remember to purchase tickets via the app. Bring along as many friends and family as you can rustle up! Please plan to stay and join us downstairs after the production, the bar will be open and there will be mince pies and festive songs.

Speaking of songs - please join us if you can for the choir rehearsal at St Levan Pavilion after school <u>today at 3.45pm!</u>

We enjoyed having the Reception parents in school this week. They joined us on Thursday morning for an introduction to phonics. Well done Choughs for a fabulous demonstration of Phonics in action!

Of course one of the most exciting things this week was the school bus breaking down, just a road away from the bus stop! The children (and parents) were amazing at keeping calm and carrying on. Special mention to Kerry for coming back in a tractor to tow the bus!

We are all looking forward to next week. Most importantly for our Christmas production but also to the pantomime that will be performed in school for the children on Wednesday morning.

Last but not least, we have had many children missing over the last week or so with various illnesses, so we wish all our families good health and to get well soon!

#### Stars of the Week

Choughs: Erin - for working your socks off in everything that you do. You are making fantastic progress in Maths especially!

Puffins: James - for superb enthusiasm and acting in our Christmas play preparations. Well done James!

### Attendance (Year To Date)

94%

Choughs = 95%

Puffins = 94%

# Science

Choughs have been investigating how our skeletons and muscles work. We built working models of the arm, using elastic bands to show the biceps and triceps relaxing and contracting. The little Choughs also created their own Funnybones skeletons. Poor dog skeleton got all mixed up! Woof!





## **Cauliflower Cards Project**

A huge thank you to everyone who ordered cards, mugs, wrapping paper and other festive paraphernalia. I know it was very early back in September to be thinking about Christmas but the extra commission has helped us to raise £100 for school funds. Thank you all!

### Lever Fever: Puffins Take Aim!

Over the past few weeks, Puffins have been diving into the fascinating world of forces, experimenting with fulcrum positions and lever lengths. This week, they tackled the science of **class 1, 2, and 3 levers**, learning how each works before rolling up their sleeves for some hands-on engineering. Armed with saws, glue guns, lolly sticks, tape and elastic bands, they designed and built their own pompom launchers.

Some opted for classic class 1 or 3 designs, whilst others went rogue and created entirely new contraptions. The results? A range of inventive and creative designs - and some pompoms that soared over 5 metres! It's safe to say Puffins have mastered the art of combining science and fun!





























Kemeneth!

Last call for donations towards our Kemeneth evening - the donations page on the app remains open for a few more days...







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FSM Families can enjoy FREE soft play sessions this Christmas at Sea Life Soft Play. Just turn up with your unique Time2Move Holiday Programme Free School Meal code and join in the fun – no booking required!

Friday 20th December Christmas Disco, 5:30pm - 7:00

Sunday 22nd December, 11:30am - 1:00

Monday 23rd December, 10:00am - 11:30

Friday 27th December, 1:00pm - 2:30

Saturday 28th December, 10:00am - 11:30

Thursday 2nd January, 10:00am - 11:30

Saturday 4th January, 10:00am - 11:30

Sunday 5th January, 10:00am - 11:30

If you have any questions please contact Molly on 07341830277

Dilday Programme		ing nature on the farm
The farm is a host/ activity provider for 5–16- year-olds on Time2move Holiday programme:		4 sessions10-2pm. (8 spaces available).
These sessions will be on:		Book on the Playwaze APP or T2M link-

- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December
- Thursday the 26<sup>th</sup> December
- Friday the 27<sup>th</sup> December
- Monday the 30<sup>th</sup> of December

# Inside the Vellyn-Trembothick farm

Nature based learning on the farm with Christmas themed ideas.

- Search for woodland animals, discuss the seasons and hibernation.
- Woodland walk and optional tree planting. How many trees can you identify?
- Design a bird nest, make a clay animal, explore the farm and old mill ponds by the river. What can you find?
- Discover what lives in the woods and soils?
- Make porridge and healthy snacks- with a mix of games and a farm walk/ activity basedadapted to weather and group size.
- Outdoor clothes and wellies needed.

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