



SPLM

NEWSLETTER

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DEAR PARENTS, CARERS AND FRIENDS

We are now heading into the festivities and fun that Christmas brings. The children are continuing to stay focussed in between practices for singing and acting and doing a very good job all round! I think you will all agree that the school looks wonderful, with Mr Shepherd and his band of Christmas Fairies making sure that we all enjoy lots of festive sparkle. It is the final dress down day for the Christmas Fair on Friday - but there are more opportunities for Christmas and party attire before we break up!

PTFA Christmas Fair and SPLM Ground Auction

We are very excited to let you know our final plans for this event, which is being held on

FRIDAY 13TH DECEMBER

AT SPLM

FROM 3:30PM TO 6PM

The stalls will include:

Andrew Cooil's homemade wooden Christmas trees

* Soft toy stall

* Bottle stall

* Chocolate stall

* School Council games

* Refreshments

* Lucky dip.

* Cake sale

Stalls will be available up to 5pm when the SPLM Ground Auction will start with auctioneer Paul Costain. The raffle will be drawn following the auction, before 6pm.

Any written bids for auction items will be accepted up to 5pm. A list of auction items will be available next week.

Message from your PTFA

- Donations for the cake sale are welcome on the day
- Please send in donations of any clean and pre-loved soft/cuddly toys by Wednesday 11th December
- Any help from parents/grandparents/friends on Wednesday 11th December between 2:30pm and 4:30pm in the School Gym to help wrap Raffle Hampers or label bottles and chocolate for stalls will be greatly appreciated
- Any help from parents/grandparents/friends to either set up the fair from 2:30pm on the day or help out during the event will be greatly appreciated



Morrison Photos Ltd		
Whole School Photos		
25th Anniversary Photo.		
Photo number 8778—101		
4" x 6"	Super Print	£3.00
5" x 7"	Enlargement	£6.00
6" x 9"	Enlargement	£7.50
8" x 12"	Enlargement (Sample)	£11.00
	Mouse Mat	£7.00

A whole school photograph was taken on 18th November to commemorate 25 years since the school was officially opened. The proof photo is available for viewing at the front of school. If you would like to make an order you can do so with Mrs Seal in the office.

SEPTEMBER 2020

Do you have a child, or know someone who has a child, who is due to start at SPLM in September next year? If so please ensure they are registered with us as soon possible. This enables us to make provision for the forthcoming year using accurate pupil numbers.

THANK YOU

We thought you'd like to know that the winners of the Port St Mary Commissioners 'Design a bauble' competition are **Ella Watterson** and **Ryan Whiteley**. Well done, we hope you enjoyed switching on the Christmas tree lights outside Manxonia House on Friday 29th November.

Christmas Parties

We all look forward to the parties and this year we have decided to change lunchtime arrangements on Party Day. Children on school dinners will pay the usual price for their meal, but the kitchen will be providing party food (sandwiches, sausage rolls, jelly and ice cream, etc) instead of the usual choice from the menu. Children who normally have a packed lunch should bring in extra items for the party lunch (cakes, crisps, etc) rather than their own lunch. All food will be shared, with children and staff enjoying a party lunchtime altogether before the afternoon party games and activities start for infants and juniors. Sign up sheets for packed lunch families will be available early next week.



Celebration of Christmas at SPLM

We would like to welcome you to celebrate Christmas by singing carols and some of our favourite Christmas songs together. We will be holding this event in our very Christmassy Assembly Hall. As our younger children are performing a nativity play this year this event is for pupils in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 and their families. Refreshments will be available, following the singing, in the assembly hall. Delicious school-made mince pies, juice, tea and coffee will all be on offer. No tickets required, please just come along.

Christmas Dinner is on Wednesday 18th December - children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper too! If your child normally has a packed lunch but would like to have a Christmas Dinner as a 'one off', please let Mrs Seal know by Friday 6th December. If you have an account on ParentPay we would be grateful if you would use this method of payment in preference. The cost is £2.30. If your child is having a packed lunch on that day, please don't forget to add some festive treats for them to enjoy!

Dress Down Day	Bottles	Friday 6th December	
Port St Mary Commissioners Celebration of Christmas	SPLM Choir Town Hall	Friday 6th December - 7:30pm	
Choir at Mount Tabor Carol Concert		Sunday 8th December - 6.30pm	
A Present for the Baby	Infant Nativity Years R, 1, 2	Wednesday 11th December - 2:30pm Thursday 12th December - 2:30pm	
Free Mandela at the Gaiety Theatre	Snaefell Class	Thursday 12th December - am	
PTFA Christmas Fair and SPLM Ground fundraising	Joint PTFA and SPLM Ground event	Friday 13th December - 3:30pm - 6pm	
Carols in the Barn	Years R, 1, 2	Wednesday 18th December - 10.30am	
Christmas Jumper Day	Christmas Dinner served at lunchtime	Wednesday 18th December	
Christmas Celebrations at SPLM	Years 3, 4, 5, 6	Wednesday 18th December - 6.30pm	
Christmas Parties		Thursday 19th December - pm	
Christmas Holidays		23rd December to 3rd January 2020	
Back To School		Monday 6th January 2020	
CRHS Information Evening at SPLM	Year 6 pupils and parents	Tuesday 14th January 2020 - 7pm	

More dates are likely to follow and changes are possible to the information given above

We have lots to pack into the final few weeks before we break up, so we will be kept busy! I will send out extra information about the auction next week - please feel free to invite friends, family and anyone you think may be interested in bidding for the items on offer - written bids accepted. We look forward to seeing you all there!

Ange Callaghan Headteacher