



Summer Term 2022: Newsletter 6  
Friday 26th July 2024

# MOUNT CHARLES SCHOOL

## SCHOOL IS OUT!

We wish all of our families a happy, relaxing and fun-filled summer break and we look forward to welcoming our children back on **Thursday 5th September at 8.25am!** Over the last few weeks, our children have enjoyed spending time with their new teachers in their new classrooms, and lots of curriculum planning has already been arranged so we can hit the ground running with our exciting learning in the new term!

Whilst most of our children will be looking forward to the summer with their families, we ask everyone to be vigilant for those children who may not be so fortunate this summer. If you have a concern that a child might be at risk of harm or abuse, please call the **Multi Agency Referral Unit** on **0300 1231 116** or the local police on 101. You can also call the NSPCC on 0808 800 5000. If you have concerns for a child's immediate safety and wellbeing, call the police on 999. Remember safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. **If you see something, say something.**

## STAFF UPDATE

Last week, we welcomed our new Headteacher, Mrs Simpson to school. She spent three days meeting the children and staff. We look forward to her starting full time in September.



On Friday we will say a fond farewell to Mrs Bunting, who is leaving Mount Charles, we are sure you will all join with us in wishing her every success in the future.

## MEET THE TEACHER!

Parents are invited to meet their child's teacher, in their classrooms, and find out about the year ahead at the Meet The Teacher sessions held at

2.15pm on the following dates:

- Monday 9th September - Year 4
- Tuesday 10th September - Year 6
- Wednesday 11th September - Year 5
- Friday 13th September - Year 3
- Tuesday 17th September - Year 1
- Wednesday 18th September - EYFS
- Friday 20th September - Year 2





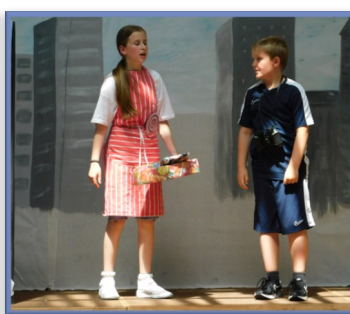
# GOOD LUCK YEAR 6!

Year 6 have had an amazing last week, filled with performances, a celebration assembly and their end of year treat day!

This year's production "Superstan" was fantastic. The children excelled themselves with incredible acting, super singing and amazing costumes. Every child in the year group has played a part either as a performer or backstage helper and we are immensely proud of them all.

On Tuesday the children enjoyed a treat day in St Austell. They took delight in watching Despicable Me 4, it was definitely a hit! After lunch the children enjoyed some time at the park before bowling at Ozzell Bowl—the children felt extra special to have the whole venue to themselves. Thank you to our PTA for funding the day.

We are incredibly proud of our Year 6 children and their attitude to learning throughout this year. They have challenged themselves in all areas and continue to astonish us with their determination to succeed. Their new schools are very lucky to have them and we look forward to hearing of their successes over the years to come.





# UPDATE

**MOMENTS  
MATTER,  
ATTENDANCE  
COUNTS.**

August will see the changes to the **National Penalty Notice Framework** come into force. Specifically, the changes are:

1. A new national threshold of **10** unauthorised sessions for any reason (equivalent to 5 school days) within a rolling 10 school week period for which a penalty notice must be considered. A penalty fine can be issued for any combination of unauthorised absences over a 10- week rolling period. They can be consecutive or non-consecutive and can span over two terms.
2. An increase in the penalty fine from £60 to £80 if paid in 21 days. If the fine is not paid by the first 21 days, it will rise to £160 if paid within 28 days of being issued.
3. If a 2nd penalty fine is issued to the same parent for the same child within a 3-year rolling period, the fine will automatically rise to £160 with no option to pay the lower rate of £80.
4. If a parent then commits a third offence in a 3-year rolling period, the local authority will need to consider options available to them to improve attendance. This will include a consideration to prosecute under section 444 of the Education Act 1996.
5. The current penalty notice warning letter used for unauthorised absence (not holiday) will be changed to a Notice to Improve.

We are looking forward to welcoming our children back to school on Thursday 5th September.

We are hoping to start the year well with excellent attendance and reducing lateness. Every day counts.

Please remember that the gates open at **8:25am** and shut at **8:30am**. Learning begins at 8.30am.

## Impact of Lateness

Being 15 minutes later each day is the same as missing 2 weeks of school





### **Online safety:**

It is important to ensure our pupils remain safe online over the summer break. With increased free time, many children will be using the internet more frequently. Below are some links to helpful tips and resources to keep our pupils safe in the digital world and also a link to our school online safety page.

[Mount Charles School - Online Safety \(mount-charlessch.org\)](http://mount-charlessch.org)

[Online Safety Hub - Cornwall Education Learning Trust](#)

### **Monitoring Apps:**

[Guide to monitoring apps for parents | Internet Matters](#)

### **Online safety guides:**

[Educational Guides | E-safety Guides & Posters for Schools \(nationalcollege.com\)](#)

The holidays can be tough, it is important to know there's always someone you can talk to. Further information can be found on the CELT website: [https://www.celtrust.org/web/safeguarding\\_support/664918](https://www.celtrust.org/web/safeguarding_support/664918)

**Remember, the best parental controls are being present in the room yourself and using any internet-connected devices alongside your child.**

# UNIFORM

Before buying new uniform for the new school year, please check our uniform policy below. Shirts/ trousers/skirts can be bought quite cheaply from ASDA/ALDI/LIDL. School jumpers/cardigans, PE t-shirts and ties are only available from Cornwall Screenprint. Please speak to our school office if you have any questions regarding our uniform expectations.

## **White polo shirts**

Infants—all year, Juniors—summer term only

## **White shirt or blouse and school tie**

Juniors—autumn & spring, polo shirt option for summer

## **Mount Charles V-neck jumper or cardigan**

## **Grey Trousers**

## **Grey Skirt or Pinafore Dress**

## **Blue & white gingham dress during summer term**

## **Grey Socks**

## **Black school shoes—NO TRAINERS**

## **PE Uniform**

## **Mount Charles t-shirt**

**PLAIN BLACK shorts, leggings or joggers—no patterns or logos**

## **Mount Charles V-neck jumper or cardigan**

## **Trainers**

- \* No jewellery should be worn in school except for one pair of small stud earrings.
- \* Only simple hair bands should be worn, no elaborate pieces. Long hair must be tied back.
- \* Children should bring a named water bottle to school every day
- \* Children should bring a named coat to school every day

**Please label all items of clothing to ensure lost items can be returned to their rightful owners.**

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& BOOK YOUR APPOINTMENT



Or call -

Clarks St  
Austell  
01726 73330

Avoid the queues and book an in- store  
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OR VISIT [www.clarks.co.uk/measureandfit-in-store](http://www.clarks.co.uk/measureandfit-in-store)

Please remember your socks.

*Clarks*





## Parent Pay Lunches

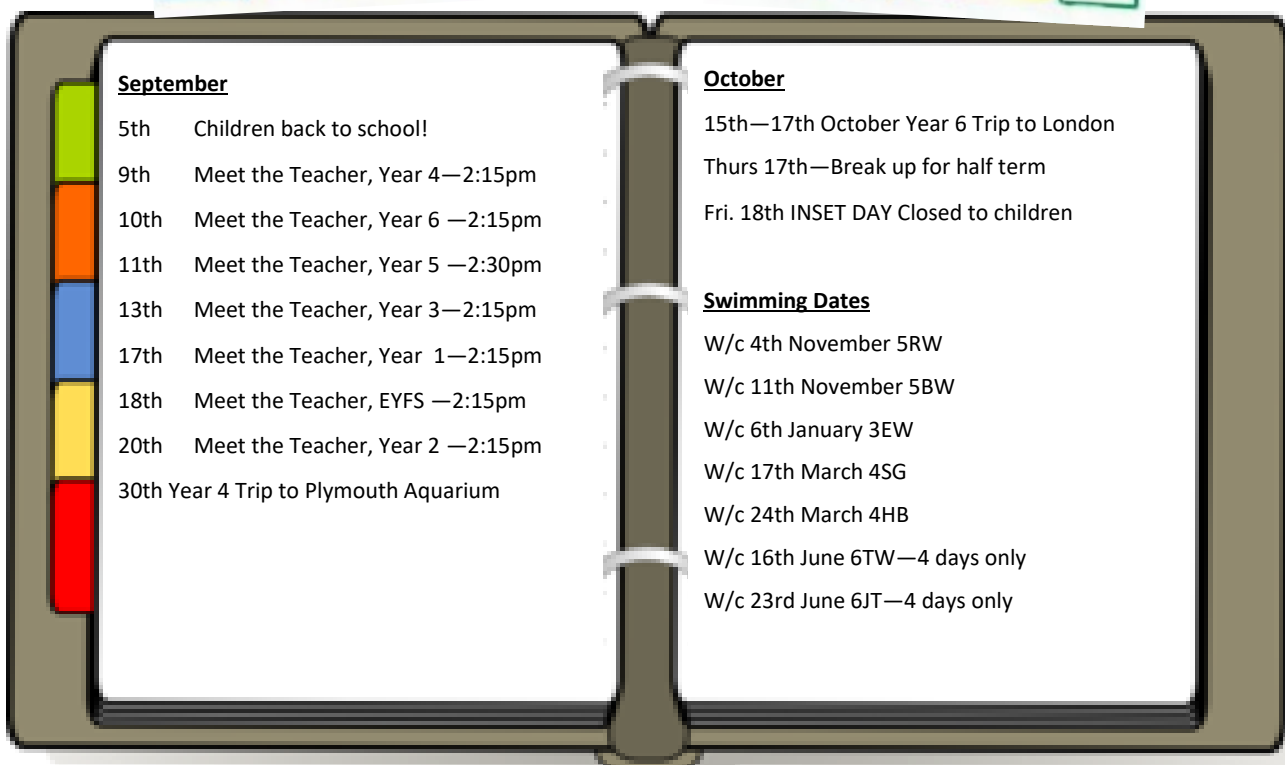
Lunches for Autumn Term are now on ParentPay and can be ordered up to half term. Take some time with your child over the holiday to select their choices.

**Year 1 and 2**—to reduce the amount of food wastage, we will NOT be ordering for all of KS1. If your child would like a hot school lunch you will need to order on ParentPay.

If your child is entitled to Free School Meals you will also need to order on ParentPay

If you need help logging onto ParentPay, please contact the office as soon as possible.

# Diary Dates



## TERM DATES

Autumn term 1 2024: Thursday 5th September 2024 - Thursday 17th October 2024

Autumn term 2 2024: Monday 4th November 2024 - Friday 20th December 2024

Spring term 1 2025: Monday 6th January 2025 - Friday 14th February 2025

Spring term 2 2025: Monday 24th February 2025 - Friday 4th April 2025

Summer term 1 2025: Tuesday 22nd April 2025 - Friday 23rd May 2025

Summer term 2 2025: Monday 2nd June 2025 - Friday 25th July 2025

**INSET DAYS:** Monday 2nd, Tuesday 3rd & Wednesday 4th September

Friday 18th October 2024 Friday 20th & Monday 23rd June 2025



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[summerreadingchallenge.org.uk](http://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk)

**Runs Sat 6th July - Sat 14th Sept**  
**FREE to join at St Austell Library!**

**Read six books to collect Scratch 'n' Sniff stickers and fun prizes!**

**AND a medal and certificate  
when you complete the challenge!**



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The summer holidays are almost upon us and with them, comes six weeks for parents to fill with fun.

With the current cost of living, we understand now, more than ever, that this could be a rather costly summer ahead.

To make things a little easier, we've come up with a very special offer for families living in Cornwall and Devon.

For just £5 per child and £10 per adult, we'd like to invite your students, and parents, to enjoy a day within the 200 acres of mystery, magic, play and giants at The Lost Gardens of Heligan.

We hope to see you all very soon and wish you a summer holiday full of memories that'll last for a lifetime.

[Buy Tickets - The Lost Gardens of Heligan](#)

*The Heligan Team*

# SPORTS ACADEMY HOLIDAY CLUB

@ WHITE RIVER COMMUNITY CHURCH

WEST HILL ST AUSTELL PL25 5ET

**MON 12th - FRI 16th AUGUST \* 10am to 12.30pm**

Register online: <https://form.jotform.com/holidayclubwrcc/2024>

For more info  
Call 01726 67679

AGES  
5-11

GAMES!  
FUN!  
CRAFTS!  
SNACKS!

50p  
a day

white river  
community  
church





# Holiday Sessions



PL26 7FH

**Ages 5 - 10**

**Wednesdays 9am-12pm**

24th July & 7th, 14th August

**Thursdays 9am-2pm**

25th July & 8th & 15th August

**Monday 9am- 2pm**

19th August



# Holiday Sessions

**Ages 11+**

**Tuesdays 1pm - 4pm**

23rd July

6th & 13th August



## Price

**£15 member**  
**£18 non member**  
for each 3 hour session

**£25 member**  
**£30 non member**  
for each 5 hour session

Pay As You Go but booking required 24 hours in advance as spaces limited.  
Times subject to change. Please see terms and conditions for more details.

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