



Spring Term Issue 5

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Newsletter

Aiming for the
Stars

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

What a horrid end to the week; unless you like force 7 gales and driving rain that is! I am writing on a Thursday evening as I will be teaching tomorrow and looking outside I doubt very much that Poldhu will be taking part in Outdoor School tomorrow. It is unusual for us to cancel it but I believe there is sufficient reason to do so this time. Not that the slightly less wind propelled rain stopped Year 5 and Year 6 getting out on Monday and Tuesday earlier in the week and they all thoroughly enjoyed their time at the BMX track. I say all – poor Marcus had to get checked out at hospital after a spectacular crash resulted in a very swollen knee. However, he got into school at the end of today, albeit on crutches but grinning, and when asked if he had been put off for life told me that he wanted to go back and have another go! Our assemblies on taking risks to make life more exciting have obviously been taken to heart.

Next week is the last week of the half term so we will be concluding our PSHE topic on Journeys this will also include the final lessons on relationships so there might be a few more interesting questions for you to field. Can I take the opportunity to thank you all for supporting the school's approach to the subject as we do believe that it is important that children have a clear understanding of issues in a modern world where it is virtually impossible to shield them from external exposure from often very unreliable sources.

Next half term the SMSC (spiritual, moral social and cultural) will change to 'Wide World' which focuses on cultural diversity and is one of my favourite themes to lead on in assemblies. Last year a highly successful element of this was to have a week of breakfast club with different breakfasts from around the world. We are planning to do this again on the week beginning March 13th so be sure to mark it in your diary and come and join us for the menus that take your fancy – parents and children all welcome. Mrs Sicolo and Mrs Kent will be organising the week and will send out the menu soon and I am trying to work with Chartwells so that Pippa will be able to produce a lunch that links with each day too. Class topics will remain the same and children will be working towards the end outcomes which you are also invited to – the dates are on the newsletter and the more people the better.

You don't have to wait till then to come into school however; next week on Thursday we will be holding our Open Afternoon and as always we would like as many of you as possible to come and join your child(ren) in class to take part in their lesson(s). Afterwards at 2.30 there will be tea and biscuits in the hall and I will give a short presentation with Mrs Kent to explain what we have been doing to promote healthy lifestyles in school followed by a chance for you to give your ideas for what else we could do in the future. Plenty of exercise is obviously one of the key elements of healthy lifestyles so remember that next Wednesday will give all children a chance to do so by dancing at the Valentines disco. I will be there along with members of our fantastic and recently invigorated PTFA and I look forward to seeing everybody's best moves. Let's hope the last week is a little more pleasant than this one (there are rumours of a cold spell with snow which would be nice) and I look forward to seeing you all on Thursday, Wednesday at the disco or on the gate.

Mr Gardiner

THIS TERM'S THEME: Journeys

HEADLINES: Resolving Conflict

WORDS OF WISDOM: *The planet does not need more successful people. The planet desperately needs more peacemakers, healers, restorers, storytellers and lovers of all kinds.*

Dalai Lama

MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK: Bruce Springsteen **VIRTUE OF THE WEEK:** Being able to forgive

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION: *If you take someone else's decision are you taking the right one?*
Charlie G



Year 6 and Year 5 had amazing times on the BMX taster sessions



Plymouth Raiders visited for an assembly and our basketball club



Diary Dates

February

Wed 8—PTFA Valentines Disco

Thur 9—Open Afternoon

Thur 9—Netball Match V Crowan (A) KO 3.30pm

Mon 13—Half Term Break

Mon 20—Return from half term

Thur 23—School Council Non Uniform day

Tue 28—Y6 Hayle Transition

March

Thur 2—School Council tombola and cake sale

Mon 6—Menu change—Pasty day for St Pirans Day

Mar 13—Breakfast Week begins

Tue 28—Poldhu Project Outcome Afternoon

Wed 29—Godrevy Project Outcome Afternoon

Thur 30—Kynance Project Outcome Afternoon

Fri 31—last day before Easter holidays

May

Mon 8—SATs week begins

Wed 17—Year 5 & 6—Porthpean Camp

June

Mon 5—INSET day—school closed to pupils

Mon 12—Year 3 & 4—Carnyorth Camp

Mon 12—Year 2—Activity Days and Tehidy Woods

July

Wed 12 to Fri 14 —R and Year 1 Activity Days



Whole School Attendance Target
2016-2017: **96.5%**

This Weeks Whole School Attendance Figure:

95.23%

Menu Change

Monday 6 March

St Pirans Day

Meat and Cheese

Pasties

With ice cream

**Please see poster under
verandah for full details**



**Let's Get Cooking cook up a
perfect pasta pot**

Our school website has details of activities taking place over February half term under the Out of School Activities tab



STARS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the following children for their fantastic learning. Thank you.

Poldhu

Jowen for excellent effort with your drawing

Erin for putting 100% into all your learning

Kynance

Kayleigh for great effort in literacy

Trey for putting 100% into every lesson

Godrevy

Finlay for great attitude and effort with handwriting

Emily for brilliant maturity during Philosophy for Children

Rinsey

Ruby for excellent improvement in BMX

Alfie for excellent progress in maths

Virtue Value Awards

Jake, Betty, Ocean, Seren