



Summer Term Issue 4

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Newsletter

Dear parents, carers and children,

This is more like it – the sun is here, swallows are in the sky (although I am a bit concerned about their numbers) and the field is finally open and seeded so soon we will have the outdoor environment we are so proud of. We also have a multitude of trips, visits and residentials to look forward to and as always looking at the planners it is now a case of making sure it all fits in and keeping fingers crossed that we have paid our debt to the weather fairies and can now reap rewards. Poldhu are at the woods today hunting fairies and plan to head there again before they go under the sea next half term. Year 6 have the obstacle of SATs week to overcome next week before they get to embark on their rollercoaster of a learning journey with Year 5 in Rinsey Class including a cultural visit to a mosque in Plymouth, several visits to the locations for outdoor school and of course their highly anticipated visit to London. Mrs McLennon and I are planning Godrevy's visit to Brown Willy, have a real life climber due to come in to bring the mountaineering aspect of her topic to life and I know she is planning a rock pooling visit to the beach and some conservation work at Gwithian Green too. I'm also planning on supporting Kynance with my geographical knowledge when they visit Godrevy to look at coastal features but cannot unfortunately spare time to join them when they hop aboard the train to St Ives next week. We look forward to seeing you all for events in school, camp meetings and of course Sports Day which is now scheduled for Thursday 23rd May – we aim to start at 12.45pm but you are welcome to join your child(ren) for lunch on the field from 11.30am. Let's hope those fairies are on our side and that the sun shines on us when we most need it. Now to Mrs Woolcock who also has some updates on our governing body members:

This academic year we have welcomed four new governors to Gwinear School; all of whom have shown great enthusiasm and willingness to learn about the role they now undertake. Being a governor is a voluntary role; one which involves becoming a critical friend to the school and holding responsibility for its strategic development. We are really lucky that Emma Manaton, Ryan Chitty, Laura Peters and Hannah Woolcock all expressed an interest in becoming governors as part of the autumn term elections and we were delighted to be able to accommodate them all on the Board of Governors.

Over the next couple of weeks they will introduce themselves to you. Starting with Laura and Ryan today, we will share Emma and Hannah's intros in next week's newsletter.

Laura Peters—*I would like to thank everyone who voted for me to be a parent governor; I feel privileged and excited to take on the new role, knowing my education background will stand me in good stead. When I'm not being a SENCO, Teacher or Governor, I am a busy Mum of two boys who both love getting muddy and exploring the outdoors, making Gwinear School the perfect fit for our family.*

Ryan Chitty—*I was co-opted as a school governor in the Autumn term, 2024. My interest in joining the board was primarily to help ensure the provision of the consistently high standard of education, social integration and other wider skills that Gwinear school aim to provide. A child's right to learn is so well nurtured by the fantastic commitment to holistic education by all the staff at Gwinear, and I hope I can contribute to that evolving. I have a son at the school and a daughter impatient to follow suit in 2025. We live in Hayle and love the endless outdoor adventures on the doorstep. We're very proud to live here! I look forward to meeting anyone who doesn't mind me boring them with talk of skiing, carpentry, music, dogs, cricket and cooking.*

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Georgie Watson, who recently stood-down as a governor. Georgie served on the Board for two and a half years and was a keen and committed member of the Board. Thank you Georgie for sharing your time and expertise.

Cathy Woolcock

The forecast look good for the weekend so whatever you do have a good weekend.

Mr Gardiner

THIS TERM'S THEME: Journeys

HEADLINES: Coping with Loss and Arrivals

WORDS OF WISDOM: How lucky I am to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK: Being Able to Show Sympathy

MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK: Calm

FESTIVAL /CELEBRATION: Buddha's Birthday (Buddhism)



New Governors: Laura Peters and Ryan Chitty

Diary Dates

May

Fri 10—Bikeability am (Session 3)

Mon 13—SATs week

Thurs 16—Kynance to St Ives

Fri 17th—Rinsey to Tregullas Farm

Thurs 23—Sports Day

11.30am Picnic lunch start (no earlier)

12.45pm First sports event

Mon 27 to Fri 31—Half Term Break

June

Wed 12—Godrevy to Camp Kernow

Wed 19—Kynance Activity Days

July

Tue 2—Rinsey to London

Wed 10—Poldhu Activity Days

Fri 19—Last day of Summer Term

Whole School Attendance Target 2023-2024: **96%**

This Weeks Whole School Attendance Figure:

93.2%

**INSET DAYS FOR THE
ACADEMIC YEAR 2023/2024**

Monday 3 June 2024

Monday 22 July 2024

Tuesday 23 July 2024

Wednesday 24 July 2024

NUT-FREE SCHOOL

Please be aware that due to several children and a member of staff having severe allergies to nuts the school has a policy whereby no products (**including Nutella**) containing nuts should be brought into school including in personal lunch boxes. With some products, i.e. chocolate bars, it is not always obvious that nuts form part of the ingredients so please check labels carefully. Thank you.



STARS OF THE WEEK

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

Poldhu

Oliver for amazing progress in RWI!

Joey B for fantastic independent writing!

Kynance

Oliver for giving 100% to his learning

Rory for amazing independent story writing!

Godrevy

Theo for brilliant fluency when reading!

Meadow for great vocabulary and ideas in her setting description and great reading too!

Rinsey

Felix for excellent effort in reading

Blossom for fantastic effort in assessments

Virtue

Rose, Olivia K, Reef, Florence

Mathletics—Well Done Everyone!

Elizabeth, Georgie, Niamh, Iris, Meadow, Cohen, Holly, Ophelia,

Joey B, Kacey, Finley, Arthur, Rueben L, Isla B, Molly-Mae,

Ethan, Harvey, Isaac, Elinga, Felix and Edvard