



Summer Term Issue 5

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Newsletter

Dear Parents Carers and Children,

First of all, apologies for missing the newsletter last week and being a little later this week but it has been a pretty hectic couple of weeks. Last week of course had our Year 6's face the gauntlet of the SAT's and I have to say they were incredible. Thank you to all of you for helping us support them through it; making sure they were well rested and in school in plenty of time for their bacon sandwiches and juice. For their part they all worked incredibly hard and gave every test their best effort – as I always say don't agree with the need for such formal assessments this early in their lives but it was great to see them take it in their stride without getting overly stressed.

Other year groups are also taking less-formal assessments that help inform our tracking of children's progress so year 6 are not on their own when it comes to concentrated independent effort in the mornings. The results of these assessments help us provide targeted intervention through to the end of the year and also give the teacher next year a good picture of where key strengths and weaknesses are. For Year 4/5 (next year's class 4) we are unsure who that teacher will be as Mrs Haddy's tenure draws a week closer to its end. We were hoping that we would be able to make an announcement that we had found a suitable replacement but despite having two very good candidates we were unable to gain enough evidence to definitely make that decision. In any school, but especially one our size, it is crucial we get the right person for the job so we will re-advertise and have another recruitment day in the next half term.

With the demands on staff during SATs week it was difficult for anybody to go out last week although Mrs Haddy organized a great morning at Trefewha Farm which was a nice change from the silence of the hall. With the recruitment day and Sports Day, we look like spending the week in school this week too but as our candidates noticed it is not a bad place to be with the grounds slowly returning to their former splendour. We did however, have another great XL running club on Monday with an out and back dash along the cliff tops after last week's dune and beach combo. We are planning on keeping this format for running club in the summer term so we can explore trails a bit further away from our doorstep so be sure to join us on the Mondays it is on next half term (**Remember that does not include Monday 3rd June which is an INSET day.** It will also not run when I am in London). I also plan to run a woodwork/craft club next half term on Thursdays with the intention of creating fairy houses and magical elements for the school grounds – numbers will be limited and any parental support with this would be most welcome.

I had finished this newsletter yesterday with a paragraph about how we were looking forward to Sports Day and we were. The forecast was favourable with an overcast but dry day and we all came to school raring to go in shorts and trainers. However, when we got here there was constant drizzle and the field was soaked so we made the call. My decision, and it now looks like the wrong one with the sky clearing and a fresh wind that might well dry the field in time for our scheduled start so I apologise; it is difficult as we don't want to leave it to late to inform you but maybe I should have trusted met office a little more. We have rescheduled for 6 June so let's hope we have a more definite idea then. I also hope we have some more sun over the coming week and hope you all have a great half term whatever you do.

Mr Gardiner

THIS TERM'S THEME: Footprints

HEADLINES: Spaceship Earth

WORDS OF WISDOM: The Earth is not just our environment, the Earth is our Mother (Dalai Lama)

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK: Using resources wisely

MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK: Louis Armstrong

FESTIVAL /CELEBRATION: Birth of the Dalai Lama



Diary Dates

May

Mon 27 to Fri 31—Half Term Break

June

Mon 03—**INSET Day**—school closed to pupils

Tue 04—Godrevy Camp meeting 2.30pm

Wed 05—Kynance Camp meeting 2.30pm

Thu 06—**Sports Day**

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:

93.35%

INSET DAYS FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2023/2024

Monday 3 June 2024

Monday 22 July 2024

Tuesday 23 July 2024

Wednesday 24 July 2024



Half Term Holiday Camps

Cornwall Cricket

Softball Tuesday 28th May	Hardball Wednesday 29th May
5 to 8 year olds: 10am to 12pm £16	8 to 13 year olds: 10am to 12pm £16
8 to 11 year olds: 1pm to 4pm £24	Club hardball players: 1pm to 3pm £16

At Cornwall Cricket Centre
Truro College Campus
Truro TR1 3XX

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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

Koa for fantastic independent writing

Cohen for amazing progress in your reading

Kynance

Esmae for incredible progress in reading

Finley for fantastic writing about a fantasy world

Godrevy

Rupert for detailed scientific observations

Taylor for solving money problems in maths

Rinsey

Piran for excellent group work in research

Olivia L for excellent effort in spelling

Virtue

Isaac, Georgie, Sariah, Gracie

Mathletics—Well Done Everyone!