



Spring Term Issue 12

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# Newsletter

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

Well we have reached the Easter holidays and I still haven't seen a swallow and I have had no reported sightings either although Miss Mogridge caught a glimpse of something that could have been but thinks it was a sand martin. At least if they arrive in the Easter holidays school will be quiet and they might be tempted to nest beneath the verandah. In fact, it is a good job they didn't arrive today as the sight of Poldhu class egg rolling would probably have put them off nesting anywhere in the near vicinity. Apparently, it is an old English tradition to paint an egg and roll it down a hill – not one that I have ever taken part in but it sounds like fun. Yesterday, on the other hand, they might have inspired the swallows as they were making their own chocolate nests in which to house their Easter eggs.

Rinsey class also got to eat Easter eggs early after making baskets with them in yesterday and developing their weaving skills. Several members of the class came to see me earlier in the week with some fantastic creative writing linked to a missing shoe. Yesterday they demonstrated their map reading skills by using contour lines to create their own 3D islands whilst this afternoon they are using a novel technique to create Spring inspired paintings.

Godrevy class used Spring as a source of inspiration for slightly more traditional water-colour paintings using daffodils as a stimulus as some lucky recipients will find out as they were turned into Easter cards. They have also written free verse poems that were inspired by the season and again they demonstrated that we have no lack of writing creativity with a particular strength being the use of similes in the examples I saw. They are already looking ahead to next term though and have had their consultation afternoon with Miss Mogridge to decide what they most want to find out about Cornish mining. They have also started to theme the class; making choughs to hang from the ceiling and building a fantastic engine house that they have painted beautifully, although looking at some of the children leaving yesterday I was surprised to see that any paint actually made it on to the model!

Finally, Kynance class have made their own Easter cards complete with hatching chicks and have finished their topic on Amazing Animals by making their own t shirts. The designs were based on some excellent research into endangered species and keynote species and they have used screen printing techniques to create some really striking finished products. Their writing has been inspired by the topic with some brilliant fact files last week and excellent persuasive leaflets about their T shirt subjects this week.

We hope you all have a fantastic Easter break and let's hope it continues as it looks set to start with a weekend of sunshine forecast although it's also looking a bit blustery. I know staff are ready for a recharge but having sat in with all teachers on planning afternoons I know they are also excited to get started with new topics and they are all planning on coming in during the holidays to make sure classrooms are as stimulating as possible on your return. Details of next term's topics will be posted under the Classes tab on the website shortly and as always if you feel that you could help teachers enrich the topic in any way don't hesitate to get in touch. We will see you all again after Easter, hopefully the swallows too, and who knows maybe we will be able to start mixing a little more and get back to being the community school that we are proud to be.

Mr Gardiner

**THIS TERM'S THEME:** *Footprints*

**HEADLINES:** *Spaceship Earth*

**WORDS OF WISDOM:** *There are no passengers on spaceship Earth, we are all crew*

**MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK:** *Rusted Root*

**VIRTUE OF THE WEEK:** *Being able to use resources wisely*

Aiming for the  
**Stars**

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# Diary Dates



## March

### April

*Easter Break—Fri 2 Apr 2021 to Fri 16 Apr 2021*

*Mon 19—Summer term begins*

***Thur 22—NO ART CLUB***

### May

*Mon 3 May 2021—Bank Holiday*

*Fri 28—INSET day (School Closed)*

*May half term Mon 31 May 2021 to Fri 4 Jun 2021*

### June

*Mon 7—INSET day (School Closed)*

*Tue 8—INSET day (School Closed)*

### July

*Thur 22—INSET day*

*Fri 23—INSET day*

*Mon 26 July 2021—Summer Holidays start*

Whole School Attendance Target

2020-2021: **96%**

This Weeks Whole School Attendance Figure:

**95.82%**

**INSET DAYS FOR THE  
ACADEMIC YEAR  
2020/2021**

**Friday 28 May 2021**

**Monday 7 June 2021**

**Tuesday 8 June 2021**

**Thursday 22 July 2021**

**Friday 23 July 2021**

## **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 containing nuts should be brought into school including in personal lunch boxes. With some products 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 fantastic learning. Thank you.*

### **Poldhu**

***Amelie S for an amazing attitude to learning***

***Faith for fantastic number recognition***

### **Kynance**

***Lottie for a great T-shirt design***

***Sophia for fantastic attitude to learning***

### **Godrevy**

***Seren for being kind and helpful***

***Piran for great effort in writing***

### **Rinsey**

***Josh for excellent effort in reading and maths***

***Oliver for excellent effort in arithmetic and guided reading***

### **Virtue Value Awards**

***Eleanor, Tyler, Isla, Callum***