

Summer Term Issue 07

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Jewsletter

Dear parents, carers and children,

What a week we have had and Godrevy couldn't have asked for better weather for their time at Camp Kernow. I visited them there last night and it was wonderful to see them getting on so well together and being so independent. As I have said before there is something that camps and residentials develop that we can just not match in schools. It first struck me when working in the USA and saw how confident and self-assured children could be after 2 weeks of summer camp – not that I would want to emulate other aspects of their culture. There is no doubt though that such qualities help children develop a resilience that can be applied to all aspects of life. I will therefore begin with a huge thank you to the team making the experience possible; Mrs Gilroy, Mr Eyriey and Mrs Skeggs. Needless to say it is a very demanding task despite the rewards and although this particular group were brilliant last head down was still around 12.30am both nights, the dawn chorus began around 4.30am and I know from plenty of experience that the four hours in between will have been a very light sleep, with ears pricked, punctuated with visits to the toilet. I would also like to thank Charlie, Claire and the rest of the Camp Kernow team for their fantastic welcome and support in the special place they have created – we will be back!

Mrs Gilroy was worried that going to camp would stop us being able to adequately staff the new focused phonics groups that we have created but the rest of the staff pulled together nicely and we are already starting to swiftly transition into the new routine at the start of the day. We want to maximise the impact this new approach can have and a key to this is keeping things pacey and being prompt with timings. With this in mind could you all please aim to get children into school with plenty of time to be ready for registration at 9.00am. Children can arrive anytime from 8.40am (8.00am if you choose to use breakfast club) and we would advise to being closer to the 8.40am start of opening doors that the end at 9.00am to ensure children can settle.

Whilst on the subject of school procedures please also ensure the uniform policy is observed – although it was relaxed to make it more practical there is still guidance to follow (<u>Welcome to Gwinear Community Primary School</u>) and 2 key points are that legwear whether short leggings etc should be dark – navy, black or grey and that there should always be shoes suitable for physical activity either on or in school.

On a positive note, thank you all for being so considerate with pick up and drop off with many walking a long way to avoid parking on the prohibited yellow marked area. It is even better to see several of you now choosing to get here by pedal power or by walking the whole way and this was great to use as an example in this weeks assembly about energy saving and carbon footprints.

There are four homework tasks linked to half term's PSHE/SMSC topic of Footprints (apologies to the classes that got sent the What's it Worth tasks to begin with – entirely my fault). I think the tasks this time provide a brilliant opportunity for a nice display so please have a go at one of them and send them in – some tasks involve photographic products: My Special Place and you could also take pictures for the Amazing Cornwall task. If you can send electronic versions of pictures it will be a lot easier to make an effective display – I am happy for you to email them straight to me. As said on the homework sheet there is a lovely example of the My Special Place task on the website (on the Outdoor Learning page) by Maddy (Mrs Tate's daughter) which really captures different facets of Godrevy. It's looking like being a bit of a wet weekend but that shouldn't stop you starting your portfolio. For anyone short of a camera it could be possible to borrow one from school – ask at the office.

Whatever you do have a great weekend.

Mr Gardiner

THIS TERM'S THEME: Wide World

HEADLINES: Energy saving

WORDS OF WISDOM: "We can't just hope for a brighter day. We have to work for it too."

MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK: Dolly Parton

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK: Being optimistic





Diary Dates



<u>June</u>

Fri 24—Alternative Sports Day

Fri 24- Summer Fayre Cancelled

Tue 28—Rinsey to London

Thurs 30—Kynance Outcome Afternoon

July

Wed 6 to 8 — Poldhu activity Days

Mon 11 to 13—Kynance activity Days

Mon 18—Godrevy Ascent of Brown Willy

Mon 18—NO CLUBS THIS WEEK

Fri 22—Last day of term

Whole School Attendance Target

2020-2021: 96%

This Weeks Whole School Attendance Figure:

91.2%

INSET DAYS FOR THE

ACADEMIC YEAR 2021/2022

Monday 25 July 2022

Tuesday 26 July 2022





PTFA SUMMER FAIR

Sadly, the PTFA have postponed the Summer Fair this year.
They hope to have an Autumn Fair in September/October.
Stay tuned...

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

Harry for being a really kind friend!

Curtis for fantastic effort in his RWI lessons

Kynance

Isla for always working hard in everything you do

Ethan for your fantastic report on a famous shipwreck

Rinsey

Leone for excellent improvement in writing

Katie for excellent effort in writing

<u>Virtue Value Awards</u> Violet, Ruben, Charlie L



