



Summer Term Issue 07

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# Newsletter

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

What strange times! Driving around the area it would be easy to feel you were in the middle of a spy film; As I stopped off for my coffee this morning, a blacked-out van pulled up beside me and three Schwarzenegger proportioned men emerged with looks that could freeze – I let them go in first. I received much more friendly looks and plenty of waves and smiles last night from the crowds that covered the bridges over the A30 although most were in my rear-view mirror as I was driving back to Truro and they were facing the other way to greet the incoming power figures of the world with their messages and pleas. As you all know we like to encourage our children to also take an active role in standing up for their beliefs but we chose not to adorn a bridge; instead both Godrevy and Rinsey are today travelling to Hayle beach this morning to take part in an Earth walk, to display their letters to the Earth and environmental posters, write messages of hope in the sand and to record speeches that delegates at the G7 are able to link to via a county website. I am sure most delegates won't take the time to listen or make the trip to read them but I am sure there are plenty of satellite lenses trained in on every meter of the St Ives/Hayle area so maybe someone will read them and be moved. For all you cynics out there read today's assembly story: The Starfish Story: one step towards changing the world | EventsForChange (wordpress.com)

Godrevy have produced some lovely bunting with messages of hope to take to the beach and are starting to develop more creative writing skills using the 'Tin Forest' story which links well to their mining topic as well as having a good environmental message. Yesterday they were hunting high and low around the school grounds for different types of angles which was nice to see. Rinsey's work is more in the format of letters and they have produced some excellent speeches inspired by the visit from author Andrew Clover last half term. There are certainly some competent orators in the class as Olivia and Solas demonstrated yesterday when they spoke to film crews and a journalist from Heart radio as representatives of the school's Climate Change group about the school's switch to HVO fuel.

Poldhu are not going to visit the Earth walk as it is probably a bit too complex and scientific for them to follow but they are planning visits to the coast over this half term as their topic changes focus from 'Into the Woods' to 'Under the Sea'. They are going to be learning the story of the Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch to inspire their maritime based learning. Meanwhile, I have just been into Kynance and they have also written promises for the Earth so they may be visiting the beach too this afternoon if we can fit it in. They are starting to learn about a beach much further away on the Isle of Struay where Katie Morag lives.

**THIS TERM'S THEME:** *Be the Best You*

**HEADLINES:** *Managing my feelings*

**WORDS OF WISDOM:** *I can control my feelings by controlling my thoughts*

**MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK:** *Sibelius*

**VIRTUE OF THE WEEK:** *Control self*

Aiming for the  
**Stars** 

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It may be there isn't quite time for Kynance to visit and that is going to be a common theme this half term as there is so much we wish to do and such a short time to fit it all in. You hopefully now have the information you need about camps and in this newsletter there are also the dates for Outcomes (Rinsey are not doing a formal one this term as they have so much work to do with the performance). The outcomes will be a fantastic return to being able to invite you as parents to come and see the children's hard work and be a part of school life once again. With regard to the other major events of Sports Day and the Performance we are going to have to wait a little longer to see what regional Covid guidance is in relation to bringing parents from different bubbles into school together. We will let you know as soon as we have confirmation and if we are unable to run them in the traditional way we will try and use the power of technology to bring them to you virtually.

Finally, the one really valuable opportunity provided by relaxations this week was that we were able to invite our new joiners into school and it was a real pleasure to meet you all. We were incredibly impressed with the confidence and independence of them all and amazed that they were able to be in the classroom for the first time without you – maybe some of you would have preferred to stay with them rather than hear me waffle on in the hall but I thank you for your patience and attention. We are delighted to have you as part of our community and can't wait to see you again next Thursday. The slides from the presentation are on the website under the Parent's tab should you have forgotten them and remember the phone line is always there if you have any other queries. The same applies to any of you as parents but I will clarify one common question at the moment about uniform: With the arrival of Covid we changed policy so that children only have to wear a school royal blue top and that the rest of their clothing should be comfortable and practical to do PE and outdoor learning in thus allowing you to wash clothes regularly and removing the need to change for PE. This will continue to be the case until further notice so there is no need to buy additional items of uniform at present. We aim to have a full consultation about uniform in the future – probably at the start of Autumn Term and we will release a revised policy after this has taken place. We thank you for your support with this and with all we do and for your patience during this ever-changing time. I am now off to the beach to send Mr Biden et al a little message and throw any stranded starfish into the sea. Have a great weekend whatever you do.

Mr Gardiner



## Diary Dates



### June

*Mon 14—Godrevy visit King Edward Mine*

*Wed 16-18 Godrevy Camp*

*Tue 22—Poldhu Outcome*

*Wed 23-25 Y 1 & 2 Activity Days*

*Thur 24—Rinsey to King Edward Mine*

*Tue 29—Helston School Transition Day for Y6/7*

*Wed 30-1 Rinsey Camp*

### July

*Tue 6—Kynance Outcome*

*Wed 7-9 Reception Activity Days*

***Mon 12—SPORTS DAY***

*Tue 13—Performance*

*Wed 14—Performance*

*Fri 16—Godrevy Outcome*

***Mon 19—No Clubs this week***

***Thur 22—INSET day***

***Fri 23—INSET day***

*Mon 26 —Summer Holidays start*

Whole School Attendance Target

2020-2021: **96%**

This Weeks Whole School Attendance Figure:

**95.71%**

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

**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**

*Ivy for fantastic number recognition*

*Meadow for amazing phonics*

### **Kynance**

*Ethan for being a positive and happy learner*

*Sophia for being such a kind, helpful and resilient class member*

### **Godrevy**

*Eilidh for settling into your new class brilliantly*

*Elsie for enthusiasm in maths on our 'angles' hunt*

### **Rinsey**

*Alfie for fantastic spelling*

*Emily for excellent half term reading*

### **Virtue Value Awards**

*Aoife, Katie, Harvey, Lacie*