

Spring Term Issue 4

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Vewsletter

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

Well it was only a glimpse of the white stuff for most of us but it was enough to cause class windows to become magnets for children on Thursday and there were shrieks of excitement from even our quietist members. Hopefully it won't be the last we see of it and there will be at least one day when we all get to play in real snow – hopefully at school like last year. That said it is a short term and there is so much to fit in so we could do without a prolonged spell.

The bracing conditions throughout the week haven't stopped classes from getting out with two of Penwith's iconic attractions being visited this week. On Wednesday Rinsey were at the Minack where the rain cleared before they arrived and only one brief hail shower interrupted their workshop. They were creating short drama sketches linked to their topic story, War of the Worlds and will now use the ideas they came up with to write their own science fiction stories. I never tire of visiting the Minack (although I didn't get to join Rinsey this time) and it never ceases to amaze me that the spectacle was largely due to the endeavours of one very passionate and committed woman – Rowena Cade.

On Thursday Godrevy class were exploring the work and the workplace of an equally passionate and creative woman who made Cornwall her home when they visited Barbara Hepworth's garden in St Ives. Born in 1903, Hepworth provided the perfect artist to study; seeing how her work was influenced by other artists such as Henry Moore and how her work inspired other artists over the last 100 years (Godrevy's topic being 100 years ago). I saw the class later that day working with clay to create their own sculptures and they were that focussed you could hear a pin drop.

Poldhu class have stayed on site this week but their attention has still been fixed much further afield – out of this world in fact! They have been studying the stars, making their own constellations and learning about the life cycle of a star which Mrs Lynes claimed was a revelation to her too. Their endeavours to make moon rock cakes were greatly appreciated at our staff meeting on Wednesday (they did get to try some too!) and their class story of Whatever Next continues to act as a fantastic stimulus for their own stories involving space travel.

Kynance have also stayed on site for the week and have created some extremely imaginative comic strips. The dialogue written in speech bubbles will soon be compared to dialogue in narrative forms and this combined with their work this week on coordinating conjunctions (yes these days 6 year olds are taught what they are!) will help them come to terms with some of the more difficult aspects of English grammar. However, most children that I spoke to in the class said that their work in science and PSHE was the most fun this week. They have been learning about the importance of a balanced diet and have created their own balanced plates in a creative fashion then had our food expert Mrs Sicolo help children sort food items before tasting a range of food from the all-important fruit and veg sector. For any of you that wish to further develop your culinary skills to create a healthy meal and get your own FREE slow cooker, please check out the poster on the noticeboard and website for Little Kitchen Magicians.

So all classes are busy and remember you will be able to view the results of their endeavours at the project outcome days – dates for which can be found in the newsletter. I will end with a couple of announcements for next week: Firstly, please keep a close eye on scalps for unwelcome visitors and can all long hair be tied up or back so that we can try to stop any spread of the persistent critters. Finally, unfortunately there will be no clubs on Wednesday next week; we very rarely cancel as we know how inconvenient it can be but on this occasion we have an important staff safeguarding training that we all have to attend so it is unavoidable. Thank you in advance for your understanding and for your continued support for everything we do.

Mr Gardiner

THIS TERM'S THEME: Being the best you

HEADLINES: Take care of your body, it's the only place you have to live in

WORDS OF WISDOM: Making healthy choices

MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK: Rembrandts VIRTUE OF THE WEEK: Being able to control self

QUESTION: Do we need feelings? Bethany







Diary Dates

February

Tue 5—MENU CHANGE

Wed 6-NO CLUBS

Thur 7—Netball match V Trevithick (A)

Wed 13—Kynance visit Nexus

Mon 18—Half Term school closed

Mon 25—Return to school

Tue 26—Year 6 Transition event Hayle School

March

Fri 15—Rinsey visit Falmouth Art Gallery

Sat 16—Coose Trannack races

Thur 28—Godrevy Farm & Country day

Wed 27—Poldhu Outcome Afternoon

Thur 28—Rinsey Outcome Afternoon

Fri 29—Godrevy Outcome Afternoon

April

Fri 5—INSET—school closed to pupils

Mon 8—Easter Holidays school closed

Tue 23—Return for Summer Term

May

Sat 4—Gwinear Show

<u>June</u>

Wed 5—Year 5 & 6 Porthpean Camp

Mon 24—Year 3 & 4 Carnyorth Camp

MENU CHANGE—TUESDAY 5 FEBRUARY
TO CELEBRATE CHINESE NEW YEAR

Chinese Chicken Noodles or Sweet & Sour quorn with rice, wok tossed vegetables
Sticky Bananas with ice cream

Whole School Attendance Target

2018-2019: 96%

This Weeks Whole School Attendance Figure:

95.91 %

Another 24—from Mrs Sicolo

As you are all getting so good at this we have decided to make things more challenging by including problems with 2 digits in them. The rules are still the same you must use all 4 numbers but you can only use each one once.

There is at least 1 solution can you find more?

3 7

14

11

Workout Wednesdays

Steps this week:

62,383

Fitness Fridays

Steps this week:

52,483

Cornish Coastal Path

Walk

MILES

Mullion toPortloe





STARS OF THE WEEK

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

<u>Poldhu</u>

Jack for a great first week

Lanza for always giving 100% and challenging yourself

<u>Kynance</u>

Aoife for being thoughtful towards other members of the class

Chloe for working hard in maths

Godrevy

Isabelle for great concentration and creativity

Oliver for being incredibly kind and thoughtful

Rinsey

Archie for excellent acting at 'Minack Productions'

George for increased attention in maths



