



Autumn Term Issue 10

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Newsletter



Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

We ended last week with a slightly muddy walk – if we had left it till this week we would probably have needed crampons rather than wellies. This said the field has been in use every lunchtime and I have loved watching Kynance Class this week at lunchtime as they have been incredibly industrious playing with the construction equipment. Soon there will be one more enhancement to the outdoor area for children to explore and we are hoping that some of you may be able to help create it: Beside the amphitheatre Mr Lester has built a framework for our Outdoor Music station based on ideas from Rinsey who submitted some brilliant extensive designs. He is now going to add as many of the sound making artefacts that children included in these designs and as a cost saving measure we thought we would see if any of you had some of these lying around the house, in the never entered store cupboard or the loft. The list is on this newsletter on the dates page and we would appreciate any donations; obviously if we get lots of the same thing we will only use so many in the build but will probably keep others for spares in case we have some over enthusiastic percussionists! Hopefully when it is complete it will be well used and the idea of siting it next to the amphitheatre is so that performances can be accompanied with sound effects. We will add it to the virtual tour map of the school which is now on the school website if you haven't had chance to see it.

Kynance have also been busy in class with more learning linked to their topic of superheroes and they have had a scientific focus this week; thinking about how a superhero can stay healthy. As well as learning about foods that are good for us, they have been investigating the pernicious effects of some liquids on our teeth by submerging eggs in different substances – I'm not sure whether the investigation will change any habits but I am sure some will think twice about drinking cola in the future.

Godrevy continue to experiment with different cuisines from around the world and usually try to find dishes that would form part of a healthy balanced diet. This week things took an antipodean twist with vegetable croquettes and brisket; I don't think the latter has been tasted yet but judging by the smell in the staffroom at the end of the day we think Mr Buckley may have been a little too liberal with the cider vinegar – we might need to call our ex superhero, Mrs Sicolo for some advice for the last weeks. It is a shame the music station was not yet ready for Godrevy because along with cooking Australian inspired dishes the class had a go at improvising their own New Zealand inspired Hackas which might have benefitted from some background drums although there was certainly no lack of enthusiastic vocals and menacing stares – hilarious.

Rinsey class have also been busy with scientific learning and this week they investigated the power of air resistance by continuing their machines topic and making their own gyrocopters. Judging by the pictures they had great fun doing so as well as working with great scientific method. Meanwhile on Wednesday when I had the pleasure of teaching them, covering for Mrs Haddy on a course, they showed that they were equally capable of highly creative thought and writing. The subject of their creativity was rather macabre as we looked at some of the instruments of torture that the Tudors used. The children then had to design their own and use their persuasive writing skills to sell it in an advert. I have to say I was incredibly impressed with the writing it produced, particularly sentence punctuation – well done Mrs Haddy, although I was rather concerned that most had chosen to invent contraptions specifically for use on headteachers!

Finally, Poldhu have continued to explore the many different celebrations and special occasions that take place in this country. They began the week with a continuation of last week's festival of Bonfire night and created some onomatopoeia poems inspired by fireworks. In the middle of the week things took on a more sombre note when they learnt about the significance of Remembrance Day and made poppy wreaths. The whole school observed the two-minute silence on Wednesday and we are incredibly grateful to our brass teacher Kirsten for coming in early and magnifying the gravitas of the occasion by playing the Last Post for us – if you haven't seen it go on seesaw; it's very moving. Poldhu Class have another challenge next week as they will need to try and remember that Mrs Barber has reverted to her maiden name of Miss Rogers which is how she wishes to be addressed henceforth. I'm afraid it's looking like a pretty wet weekend and any walks will definitely be muddy; not that that should stop you, but it does also give you plenty of opportunity to rummage around for any of the potential instruments on the list and if you have other items not on there that might fit the same purpose please send them in. Have fun whatever you do.

Mr Gardiner

THIS TERM'S THEME: *What's it Worth ?*

HEADLINES: *Spending & Saving*

MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK: *Pink Floyd*

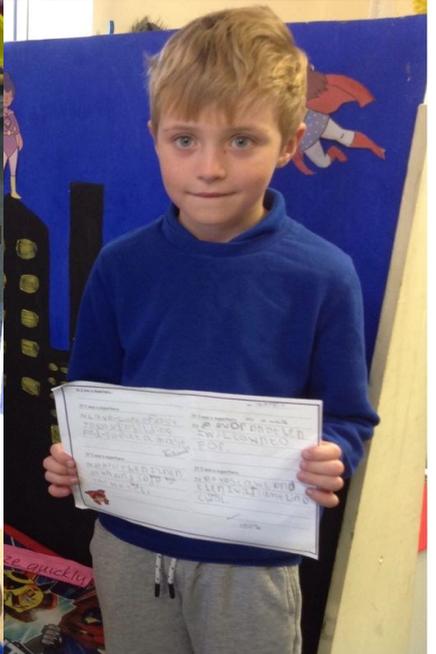
WORDS OF WISDOM: *A simple fact that is hard to learn is that the time to save money is when you have some*

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK: *Saving for the future*

QUESTION: *Can creativity ever get out of hand ?*

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Diary Dates

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December

Wed 16—Xmas lunch

Mon 21 to Fri 1 Jan 2021—Christmas holiday

January—2021

Mon 4—Spring term begins

February

Mon 15 to Fri 19 Feb 2021—Spring half term

April

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

Mon 19—Summer term begins

May

Mon 3 May 2021—Bank Holiday

Fri 28—INSET day

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

June

Mon 7—INSET day

Tue 8—INSET day

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:

95.02%

INSET DAYS FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2020/2021

Friday 28 May 2021

Monday 7 June 2021

Tuesday 8 June 2021

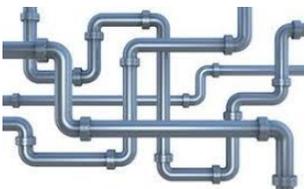
Thursday 22 July 2021

Friday 23 July 2021



MUSIC STATION

Pipes, buckets, bin lids, spoons (metal & wooden), saucepans, old tins, bins, bamboo pipe, beaters, triangles, washboard, trays, strings (like guitar), cymbals, shakers, bells



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

Marshall for super effort following instructions

Faith for fantastic first week at school

Kynance

Jago for such fantastic writing

Lanza for always giving 100%

Godrevy

Elsie for amazing effort with her writing

Charlie for great effort in all his learning

Rinsey

Trey for excellent effort in science

Lincoln for excellent effort in science

Virtue Value Awards

Sophia B, Seren, Jack M, Ruben