



Autumn Term Issue 9

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# Newsletter



Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

I often seem to open and close this newsletter in traditional English style by commenting on the weather and this week there is good reason to do so. The extreme weather we have experienced over the last couple of weeks (and we are the lucky ones when compared with the likes of Sheffield) does seem to be part of a growing trend and this is supported by an increasing amount of evidence (see the metoffice website: <https://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weather/learn-about/climate-and-climate-change/climate-change/index>). It was therefore reassuring to see so many school's taking part in the Penwith Climate Change Conference and see so many children with a genuine concern for the future of our planet. The event was excellently organised with all schools from Penwith Co-operative Trust working together to make the day a success. Very special thanks go to Jenny Rainbow, head of Marazion and Matt Strevens, head of Trythall who did the lion's share of the organisation but Mrs B also deserves a mention for her supporting role and Jo White was a star on the day; spending 4 hours tirelessly working on her sewing machine to mend attendees' clothes. As with many such events the challenge now will be making sure that the group that attended successfully deliver the message back to the whole school with a measurable impact visible in people's actions. The Green Charter that all schools attending have signed into will help this happen and it is refreshing to see that we are already a long way on the journey to meeting the success criteria. The charter can be found under the new Climate Change tab on the website and we will continue to update this with resources, information and useful links for you to follow.

Because of the weather we did not manage to run Outdoor School but Rinsey did get out today to two very different experiences. Half of the class were involved in a gymnastics competition with some excellent performances from all taking part and a few placed individuals too. Meanwhile the other half of the class travelled to Carnon Downs to visit the Islamic Centre where they were greeted by two Imams. The children enjoyed learning all about Islamic prayers which they sang in Arabic and how to write their name in Arabic too. It was a wonderful opportunity for children to get to see another faith first hand and one that we have found difficult to find in Cornwall previously as the county has much fewer places of worship to visit than the rest of the country for religions other than Christianity. With this in mind we hope to take the half of the class that went to gymnastics there as soon as possible whilst the half that went take part in a different PE related activity.

Next week sees another opportunity for you to come in to school with an invite to come and eat with your children at lunchtime on Wednesday which I am sure many will be pleased to hear is 'Roast Day'. If you plan to come please let Mrs B know as soon as possible so that we are able to give expected numbers to Pippa and Claire so they know just how many spuds to roast. It will also not be long before some classes are holding Outcome Days and tickets are available for the Christmas Production. The PTFA have got some very ambitious plans for the Christmas Fayre and the decorating of the hall and have done an amazing job collecting high quality raffle prizes so it won't be long before we once again feel and see the strength of our community. We know that some of you have very busy work schedules but any support you can give is appreciated and on the note of appreciation and working as a community I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you all for cooperating to keep the front of school safe and traffic flowing by resisting the urge to park on the yellow zig zag lines despite the hideous weather.

With the above in mind and with no sign of action from the powers that be to create a car park I would like to return to the Climate Conference. There were two keynote speakers at the conference and I loved both as they focused on positive solutions rather than highlighting negative impacts. Chris Lubbe began by showing us all that massive change is possible by sharing his story of working with Nelson Mandela to bring emancipation to the millions that suffered in the apartheid system in South Africa (as well as having a little reminder of the outcome of the Rugby World Cup). However, it was Manda Brookman at the end who left me with the most memorable message that imagination is our biggest weapon against climate change and if any of you have imaginative solutions to easing our traffic congestion and reducing emissions e.g. car sharing please let us know.

Mr L Gardiner

**THIS TERM'S THEME:** *Be the best you*

**HEADLINES:** *Looking after myself*

**WORDS OF WISDOM:** *Never apologise for being yourself*

**MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK:** *The Kinks*

**VIRTUE OF THE WEEK:** *Being able to stay safe*

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**Stars**

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## Diary Dates

### November

Mon 18—Godrevy to Truro Cinema

Wed 20—Parents invited to lunch

Fri 22—Non uniform for a bottle PTFA

Thur 28—Y5 Transition event Hayle School

Fri 29—PTFA Christmas Fayre

### December

Mon 2—Football match V St Meriadoc (A)

Tue 3—Godrevy to Wall Chapel

Wed 4—Rinsey outcome afternoon Hayle

Wed 11—Christmas Performance 2pm & 6pm

Thur 12—Christmas Performance 6pm

Fri 13—Climate Group to St Dennis

Fri 20—Last day of term

### January

Mon 6—Start of Spring Term



Whole School Attendance Target

2017-2018: **96%**

This Weeks Whole School Attendance Figure:

**95.52%**

Another 24—from Mr Buckley

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?

13

3

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11

### SCIENCE FACTS!

**Question:** What is rust?

**Last weeks answer:** Talc is the softest mineral found on Earth, reaching just 1 on Mohs scale of hardness, it is often used to make talcum powder.



**INSET DAYS FOR THE ACADEMIC  
YEAR 2019/2020**

**Friday 22 May 2020**

**Monday 1 June 2020**

**Tuesday 2 June 2020**

**Wednesday 3 June 2020**

## Workout Wednesdays

Steps this week:

**25,469**

**Fitness Friday**

Steps this week:

**28,059**

**Total Miles = 25**



## STARS OF THE WEEK

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

### Poldhu

*Callum for fantastic reading and focus*

*Ethan for number sorting*

### Kynance

*Evie for working on your handwriting*

*Benjamin for a positive attitude to learning*

### Godrevy

*Charlotte for having great enthusiasm during dance*

*Chloe S for overcoming her fears and learning to swim*

### Rinsey

*Bethany for excellent homework*

*Lillian for smashing spellings improvements*

### Virtue Value Awards

*Lola Pearl, Ella, Oliver F, Olivia A*