



Autumn Term Issue 5

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# Newsletter

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

Autumn is here and if there was any uncertainty in my mind it evaporated yesterday when I had the absolute joy of taking Godrevy Class to Crenver Grove for 'Outdoor School'. We spent the morning learning about trees; identifying them by their leaves, finding out why they shed leaves in the autumn and how the food they have produced during the summer is used to produce the gifts that help many animals survive in the winter. Thinking about this, I feel a little guilty for waiting in anticipation for a roast chestnut which the class are currently (Friday morning) roasting over a fire after collecting them yesterday. However, there was an abundance of them amongst the leaves and I think we have left enough for the furry and feathered residents of the wood. After our foraging the children found a special spot and sat in silence as the woodland's life unfolded around them. As they sat they wrote phrases to be used as draft work for poetry and I have seldom seen such frenzied scribbling with imaginations fired and some wonderfully creative metaphoric language. McKenzie compared the inside of a chestnut husk to the silky softness of a butterfly's wings and for Sophia the trees guarded the skies; their shadows like a beautiful city and their bark like a stampede of angry bulls. After spending a good part of the previous day adding to the 'Outdoor Learning' page of our website and describing our passion for Outdoor Education in a promotional flyer for the school it was wonderful to see it in action.

Poldhu were out on Wednesday and were again exploring their sensory perception this time at Trevaskis they too got to see nature's bounty with a spot of pumpkin harvesting. Year 1 and 2 meanwhile are out today, taking part in a multi-skills festival at Camborne School – I am about to go and pick them up so do not yet know how they have got on but there was certainly no shortage of excitement when we drove them there an hour ago. I have now sampled the chestnut and it was every bit as good as I remember from when I used to collect them with my grandad. It was cooked over a fire and judging by the faces children loved them too. They also loved their Italian feast which they prepared on Wednesday afternoon and special thanks go to Valentino's mum, Claire for helping make fresh ravioli and to Chloe's mum Claire for washing afterwards. The chestnuts were cooked on the site where we hope to build our new fire circle and as I speak Mr Lester and a band of helpers are sculpting the amphitheatre at the back of the school. Remember, we will be keeping an ongoing blog of the developments outdoors on the website under the Outdoor Learning tab and you can also look back into the archive to see what we have achieved already. On the website under Parents tab you can also view the poster and Gwinear in a Nutshell booklet that we are using to promote the school to prospective parents. We will be distributing to pre-schools in the area but feel free to share to anyone you think may be interested. We are certainly proud of the community that we are building here and as always grateful for the support that you give to make it all possible. Enjoy your weekend whatever you do.

Mr Gardiner

**THIS TERM'S THEME:** *Going 4 Goals*

**HEADLINES:** *Celebrating*

**WORDS OF WISDOM:** *Humility is not thinking less of yourself but thinking of yourself less*

**MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK:** *Kenny Rogers*

**VIRTUE OF THE WEEK:** *Being able to celebrate appropriately*

**QUESTION:** *Do people with a disability work harder than those without? (Olivia)*

Aiming for the  
**Stars** 

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## Diary Dates

### October

Wed 10—Adults invited to lunch

Fri 12—Flu Vacs R,1,2,3,4,5

Fri 19—Half Term

Tue 27—Rinsey Project Outcomes

Tues 30—Swimming starts Y5&6

Wed 31—Tempest Photos

### November

Wed 7—Open Afternoon

Wed 14—**NO CLUBS—STAFF TRAINING**

### December

Wed 5—Christmas Lunch

Thur 6—Kynance Project Outcome pm

Tues 11—Christmas Performance

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Thur 13—Poldhu Project Outcomes

Wed 19—Godrevy Project Outcomes

Thur 20—Last day of term5

### INSET days 2018/2019

Fri 5 April 2019

Mon 22 July 2019

Tues 23 July 2019

Weds 24 July 2019

Thurs 25 July 2019



Dates for  
the Diary:

Whole School Attendance Target

2017-2018: **96%**

This Weeks Whole School Attendance Figure:

**96.93%**

Another 24—from Mrs B

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?

4

36

3

3

## Workout Wednesdays

Steps this week:

**57,552**

## Fitness Fridays

Steps this week:

**76,381**

Lands End to John  
O'groats Walk

**64 MILES**

Weston Super Mare to  
Tewkesbury



## STARS OF THE WEEK

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

*Poldhu*

*Callum for a great attitude towards your learning*

*Olivia for excellent effort writing your Autumn poem*

*Kynance*

*Charlotte for working hard in phonics*

*Rory for using resources in maths independently*

*Godrevy*

*Alfie for great sportsmanship and attitude at school*

*Lincoln for a great mature attitude for learning*

*Rinsey*

*Gemma for fantastic narrative writing*

*Willow for excellent reading at home*

*Virtue Value Awards*

*Lanza, Oliver S, Isabelle M, Peter*