



Spring Term Issue 6

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Newsletter

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

I'll begin by apologising for none to clear a letter that had several people panicking that we were planning to axe after school clubs in favour of a wrap-around care club. To clarify we are not planning on reducing the number of after school clubs and with the exception of surfing they will continue to be provided free of charge. However, we were aware that some people had expressed interest in a generic wrap around care club because their children didn't want to attend certain clubs (e.g. muddy running!) or they required childcare for a longer period (e.g. until 5.00) or on a few occasions because there was a limit on the number of children an after school club will take (e.g. 8 in cooking). If there was sufficient interest the club could be used as an alternative to the after school club on offer that afternoon or as an extension to it so that children took part in the free club e.g. muddy running, then go into paid child care until 5.00. As it stands we haven't had enough responses to suggest it would be viable but hopefully this has made things clearer and you will be able to complete the response slip – many thanks for your patience.

We are proud of the variety of opportunities that our clubs provide and glad that they are so well subscribed. We are also proud of the variety of opportunities that we give children to enhance their learning and this week has been no exception. Kynance have had a particularly varied week. On Wednesday they travelled to the Nexus project to discover more about the human body and staying healthy with some very inventive ICT that allowed children to see inside the body with the use of an APP and an interactive T shirt. The following day they took their learning to the beach with Outdoor School where they took part in a phonics hunt and built arrays in the sand to help them understand about multiplication.

Miss Austin said it had been a perfect morning and I was jealous after seeing the pictures as I am now writing this and looking out at a bright blue sky wishing I was in Falmouth. This time it is Rinsey Class that are the object of my envy as they have travelled to Falmouth to take part in an art workshop based on pictures inspired by the night linked to their space topic. I love the little gallery there and the workshops I have taken classes to before have been excellent so I am sure they will have a great time. I'm also sure that our Year 1's will be enjoying themselves taking part in a multi skills festival at Camborne school this morning. They certainly were yesterday when I went to observe Mrs Barber teaching and the class were searching the school grounds for the shapes that they had been introduced to in the story, Round Is a Mooncake. Later they got to make their own cakes this time Valentine Cakes which was unfortunately so successful that few lasted until the end of the day and none got as far as my office.

Godrevy Class have uncharacteristically remained in the classroom this week. Part of the reason behind this is that they have become engrossed in writing 500 word stories to be entered into the competition organised by Radio 2. They have also been working on time in mathematics which can also be a taxing one for the grey cells so I should imagine, like me, they are ready for the break. They still seem to be enjoying themselves however which I put down to positive attitudes I have just checked with one of our new joiners, Emily who claims that the best thing about the school is that people are kind – we couldn't ask for more than that. Mrs Tate our pastoral mentor and occasionally Mr Lester will be working with all new joiners to ensure that they feel comfortable integrating into our community. As you all know most of the development of our school grounds is carried out by children under the guidance of a Learning Mentor as part of a model we have developed to raise self-esteem and help children feel confident in school. This year could see some particularly exciting developments and we will be sure to involve all children at some point. To keep updated with developments visit the Outdoor Learning page on the website and have a look at the photo diary there. One noticeable development is that the change in the weather has certainly acted as a catalyst for the amphitheatre which is now green all over. We are now planting trees at the back and Mrs Tate and her helpers have also been using the beds to nurture other trees and have planted Buddleia all along the back edge of the field. Remember to also check the class tabs for updates on what is happening in classes and see the latest photos. Have a great holiday and we look forward to seeing you all back to enjoy the beginnings of Spring.

Mr Gardiner

THIS TERM'S THEME: *Journeys*

HEADLINES *Growing up*

WORDS OF WISDOM: *Youth has no age*

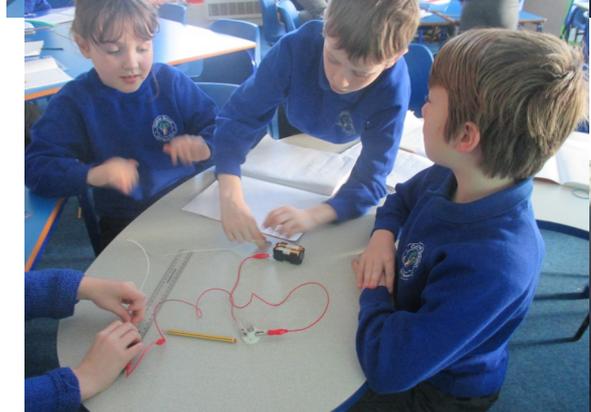
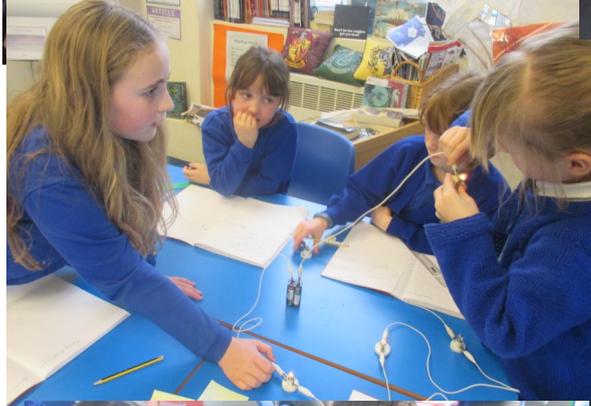
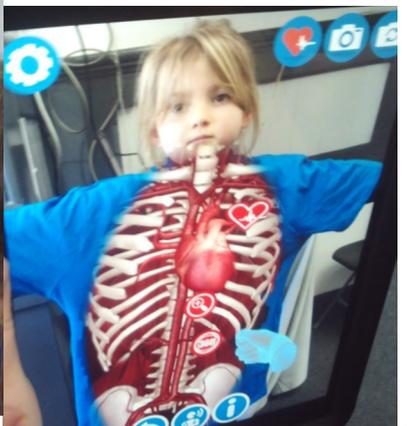
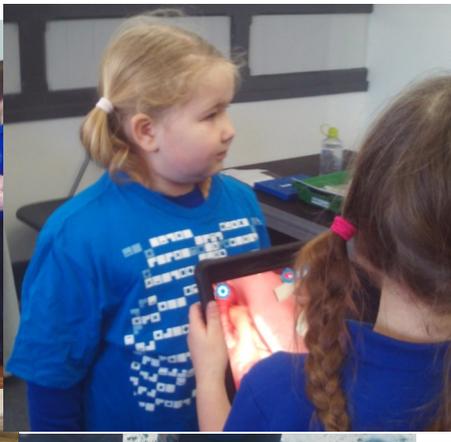
MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK: *Charlie Puth*

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK: *Being prepared*

QUESTION: *Do we have to grow up?* *Mr Gardiner*

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Could everybody please check heads for creepy crawlies so we can hopefully come back from half term nit free



Dates for
the Diary:

Diary Dates

February

Mon 18—Half Term school closed

Mon 25—Return to school

Tue 26—Year 6 Transition event Hayle School

March

Tue 5—**Menu Change**—Pasty day

Thur 7—**WORLD BOOK DAY**—Change to menu

Sat 16—Coose Trannack races

Wed 20—Open Afternoon Whole School

Thur 28—Godrevy Farm & Country day

Wed 27—Poldhu Outcome Afternoon

Thur 28—Rinsey Outcome Afternoon

Fri 29—Godrevy Outcome Afternoon

April

Mon 1—**NO CLUBS THIS WEEK**

Fri 5—INSET—school closed to pupils

Mon 8—Easter Holidays school closed

Tue 23—Return for Summer Term—**NO CLUBS this week**

Mon 29—**CLUBS BEGIN THIS WEEK**

May

Sat 4—Gwinear Show

Wed 22—Open Afternoon Whole School

Mon 25—Half Term

June

Mon 3—Return to school

Wed 5—Year 5 & 6 Porthpean Camp

Thur 20—Sports Day

Mon 24—Year 3 & 4 Carnyorth Camp

July

Wed 3—Poldhu Activity Days

Wed 10—Kynance Activity Days

Mon 15—**NO CLUBS THIS WEEK**

Tues 16—Summer Performance 2pm

Wed 17—Summer Performance 2pm & 6pm

Mon 22-Thur 24 INSET DAYS

Whole School Attendance Target

2018-2019: **96%**

This Weeks Whole School Attendance Figure:

95.7%

Another 24—from Mr Gardiner

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?

15

3

12

9

Workout Wednesdays

Steps this week:

67,694

Fitness Fridays

Steps this week:

87,918



STARS OF THE WEEK

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

Poldhu

Elizabeth for a lovely attitude in class

Sophia for excellent effort with your writing

Kynance

Elsie for paying attention to fine detail in art

Heath for showing enthusiasm towards science

Godrevy

Lincoln for amazing effort with all learning at home

Lola for settling in well to Gwinear School

Rinsey

Finley for excellent basketball skills

Willow for excellent reading and spelling

Virtue Value Awards

Agnes, Jack S, Trey, Emily