



Summer Term Issue 11

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Newsletter

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

We are nearly there. By the time you read this we will have finished camps and activity days – hopefully without a hiccup and it will be just the productions and leavers assembly to go. I am writing on Thursday morning before setting off to set up tents for Year One and Two who currently at Tremenhoe Sculpture garden but will be heading to Beare's Den this evening. The camp site is in a beautiful location and although there looks like a little cloud this evening and a spot of rain, there's nothing too serious so we should be ok and tomorrow looks great for their walk to Perranuthnoe. I will take the opportunity now to thank Ingrid who has kindly offered to help me get all four tents up.

We have purchased the tents (6 in total) together with Marazion School so that either of us are able to take a whole class camping at anytime which opens up numerous opportunities – I know Miss Shaw is already thinking of an extended trip to the Jurassic Coast to go fossil hunting when she covers the topic, Sticks Stones and Bones. Another opportunity to take a whole class outside has also appeared in the school grounds with the outdoor classroom well under way – the main table is built which can seat 26-28 on tree trunk seats and after the summer another subsidiary table will be added and trees planted around both to provide shelter. September will also see the climbing structure begin to develop and Mr Lester will be moving on to the construction area and lookout tower.

I am now writing at Beare's Den – the tents are up and I have the laptop in the minibus whilst I wait for them to return from the beach where they are having a scavenger hunt. At the moment it feels very peaceful although, unfortunately for the few campers we are sharing the site with, I am sure that will all change once they return. Soon we will be sitting down to a fish and chip supper (second in 2 weeks and I had a pasty for lunch – must walk lots this summer) then it will be time to sort out tents before we get the fires going for toasting marshmallows.

Friday morning now and rain stopped play for the evening – we still managed a cold version of smores and rustled up hot chocolate but then headed for tents. Children were amazing though – there was plenty of storytelling and giggles into the late hours but all eventually went off and we only had to get up twice in the night. However, the consequence of that was that everybody was awake by six but even that has a positive as all the tents are emptied and the van is packed and it is only 7.30. Moreover, the weather has now done as promised and we have a glorious sunny morning with the sea sparkling beneath us and the walk to Perranuthnoe to look forward to – the bribery of an ice cream at the end should spur on any reluctant members but at the moment they look raring to go. I'm sure our fellow campers at Beare's Den will miss us when we have gone!

Speaking of raring to go we were pleasantly surprised to see so many of you arriving to take on some of the challenge of Godrevy's outcome. Their work from this term has been spread out along the 7-mile circuit of the Great Flat Lode Trail via QR signs at certain points. Because of this many of you were only able to get to a couple of the codes but they will remain in situ for the summer and I will set up a condensed version just at King Edward mine for those that want to see the full array of work without the exercise – the Great Flat Lode is anything but flat! (Speak to Miss Shaw for details.) I will take the opportunity to thank Miss Shaw for giving up the best part of a weekend to set the trail up and whilst I am at it thank Miss Austin, Mrs Eustice, Mrs Skeggs and Mrs Mckie for helping the children survive what turned out to be a wet night in the tents (none of them are particularly fond of camping and holiday accommodation usually has four stars before they will go near it!). Mr Buckley, Mrs Siculo and Mrs B have also been instrumental in helping the days run smoothly – respectfully ferrying passengers, keeping groups going and sorting out all logistics including the important fish and chips.

Back at school a huge thank you and a big shout of congratulations go to the Rinsey team of Mrs Haddy and Mrs Tullet and all the children in the class. The SATs results were in on Tuesday and whilst we are first and foremost a school that is focused on development of the whole child in a rich learning environment, the results were incredible and are testament to the hard work everybody has put in. With the above in mind it was just as pleasing to see some of the comments in the Year 6 exit surveys; when asked to describe the school in a few words or one sentence there were so many affirmations that we are doing something right. We will collate the results and put them on the website but two of my favourites were: "Homely" and "An amazing, kind school with a great passion for outdoor learning".

So, one week to go and hopefully we will get to see most of you at the productions. It has been a lot of hard work, crammed into wherever there are a couple of hours to spare (rare at this end of the term). It is another element of the wider curriculum that we like to embrace; giving children the opportunity to perform in front of an audience and it looks like being a lot of fun. With this in mind, even if you only have KS1 children, please lend your support – there are tickets left for both nights (only donations) and it would be good to have a full house for both nights. Until then we hope you have a wonderful weekend whatever you do, resting for many of us, and we will see you for the final furlong next week.

Mr Gardiner

THIS TERM'S THEME: *Footprints*

HEADLINES: *How Can I Make Difference*

WORDS OF WISDOM: *It's not what you've got, it's what you use which makes a difference*

MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK: *Spice Girls*

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK: *Turning beliefs into action*

QUESTION: *Can we stop climate change ? Sophia to Derek Thomas MP at the first climate change meeting today at Marazion School*



Diary Dates

Dates for
the Diary:

July

Mon 15—Surf Club (last of 6 sessions)

Mon 15—**NO CLUBS THIS WEEK**

Tues 16—Transition at CSIA for year 6 children

Tues 16—**The Rocky Monster Show**

1.30pm & 6pm

Wed 17—**The Rocky Monster Show 6pm**

Thur 18—menu change to fish and chips

Fri 19—menu change to Chinese chicken rice

Fri 19—2pm Leavers Assembly

Mon 22-Thur 24 INSET DAYS

September

Wed 4—Inset Day—School closed to children

Thur 5—Return to school

Fri 6—Godrevy to Tintagel

Fri 13—PTFA AGM

Tue 24—NO CLUBS—whole staff training

October

Thur 3—Tempest photographer in (Individuals & Family groups)

Whole School Attendance Target

2018-2019: **96%**

This Weeks Whole School Attendance Figure:

95.51%

Another 24—from Godrevy

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

4

4

7

Workout Wednesday

Steps this week:

57,596

Fitness Fridays

Steps this week:

38,458

Miles = 45.5

SCIENCE FACT

How are rainbows made ?

Last weeks answer: The Atlantic Ocean



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

Wednesday 4 Sept 2019

Monday 1 June 2020

Tuesday 2 June 2020

Wednesday 3 June 2020



STARS OF THE WEEK

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

Poldhu

Agnes for being a great role model to our new children

Felix for an excellent story stick retelling

Kynance

Riley for being the only class 1 who stayed overnight

All the campers for being robust, cheerful & adventurers

Godrevy

Harriet for great effort in the play

Eleanor for amazing effort during the play

Rinsey

Max for excellent effort in swimming

Alex for good attitude in extra activities

Virtue Value Awards

Finley, Valentino, Jack M, Grace