



Autumn Term Issue 06

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# Newsletter



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Dear parents, carers and children,

What a start to Autumn; I sometimes think it is my least favourite season as the days shorten, the weather moves in and the possibilities for adventure diminish. However, when it comes like this I remember how amazing it can be with crisp mornings full of wonder. There is no shortage of inspiration for budding poets as Kynance discovered on their visit to Crenver yesterday where they wrote about the essences of Autumn that they would store in their 'Magic Boxes' – here is Jago's:

The Essence of Autumn  
by Jago

The flame of a bonfire,  
The crack of a conker crash,  
The snooze of a hibernating fox,  
The crunch of dry leaves,  
The magic of a spike from a chestnut shell,  
The scent of a mushroom,  
The scuffle of a hedgehog.

Kynance were not the only ones to be inspired by the woods this week with Godrevy headed there on Monday. They were going to marvel at magic but this time created by their imaginations; transforming the woods into scenes from Harry Potter. Mrs Gilroy read the first chapter of the book to them there and, dressed as wizards, they were sorted into their various houses. I too have referenced J K Rowling this week; using her quest to get the now immortal books published as an example of persistence and there can be no doubt that she has had a hugely beneficial role in helping children develop a love of reading.

Hopefully, Rinsey class will be able to inspire Godrevy even further as they have started an ICT project using PowerPoint to develop choosing stories that link to Godrevy's 'Myths and Magic' topic. By linking slides within the presentation, it is possible to create a story where the reader decides what happens – only by making the right choices will the adventurer succeed and many a gruesome end awaits them if they don't. I taught Rinsey on Wednesday and we made maths games for Godrevy which were well received. Meanwhile members of Godrevy have been visiting Kynance class to improve their times table knowledge and to do some shared reading so they are having a positive impact too.

As for Poldhu; they are spending the morning walking around the school's wild border hunting for beautifully decorated fairy houses that have sprung up around the grounds. They were put into place by members of Rinsey yesterday under the guidance of Mr Lester and were built by last year's Rinsey Class. Each house has a little door so that messages can be left for the fairies so hopefully it will inspire a little writing too as it did for Kynance when they visited them yesterday afternoon. On the way round Poldhu will also see the new 'Green Man' sculpture, again created by last year's Rinsey Class under the guidance of local potter Craig Underhill and our own artist in residence, Mrs Haddy. Craig came in to view the finished article, creatively mounted by Mr Lester, and was delighted with the result which brings me to a final invitation:

As I have said before we are extremely sorry to have had to cancel so many planned events that would have welcomed you as parents into school. It has been unavoidable and we have followed advice from Public Health England and Cornwall Council. However, I see no reason why you can't have a walk around the field this evening to view the border in its autumnal raiment and see Rinsey's creations. If you do so please observe social distancing principles and if you wish to open a door and leave a message (*careful! – the hinges are delicate*) please sanitise your hands.

Maybe Jago's poetic verse will inspire you to visit Crenver this weekend and Saturday at least looks like a continuation of current weather; I have been roped into some more cold-water swimming which I'm not convinced is my favourite way of experiencing autumnal changes but I'm told it's good for my circulation! Which ever, way you choose to experience it enjoy and have a great weekend.

Mr Gardiner

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

**HEADLINES:** *Celebrating*

**WORDS OF WISDOM:** *Celebrate all the positive choices you made today*

**MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK:** *John Williams*

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









## Diary Dates

### October

*Mon 18—Poldhu to Trevaskis Farm*

***MON 18—FILM CLUB CANCELLED***

*Wed 20—Bikeability (2 of 2)*

*Fri 22—Godrevy to Gwithian Green*

### November

*Mon 1—Halloween (fancy dress) day*

***Tue 2—Clubs Cancelled***

*Tue 2—Kynance to Tolvaddon Fire Station*

*Wed 3—Rinsey to Helston Museum*

*Fri 5—Godrevy to St Michael's Mount*

*Wed 10— Open Afternoon (new intake)*

***Wed 10—Clubs Cancelled***

***Thur 18—Open Afternoon (all classes)***

*Fri 19—Children In Need day*

### December

*Wed 8—Christmas performance*

*Thur 9—Christmas performance*

Whole School Attendance Target

2020-2021: **96%**

This Weeks Whole School Attendance Figure:

**90.4%**

**INSET DAYS FOR THE  
ACADEMIC YEAR  
2021/2022**

**Monday 6 June 2022**

**Tuesday 7 June 2022**

**Monday 25 July 2022**

**Tuesday 26 July 2022**

*If your child is interested in music lessons (brass, recorder, etc) please have a look at the Cornwall Music Service Trust who offer these. All details can be found on their website <https://www.cornwallmusicservicetrust.org/#worldclass-teachers>*

## 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**

*Ivy for fantastic number facts to 9*

*Molly-Mae for fantastic blending in your phonics*

**Kynance**

*Enzo for excellent writing of your innovation story*

*Taylor for working hard in all aspects of your school work*

**Godrevy**

*Heath for really impressive addition work*

*Jack for fantastic effort in science*

**Rinsey**

*Joshua W for excellent effort in maths*

*Zack for good effort in improving presentation*

**Virtue Value Awards**

*Lily, Agnes, Oliver F, Kacey*