



Spring term Newsletter

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Star pupil & Outstanding learner of the week

Kynance Star of the week:
Conor, for showing fantastic listening skills and helping his friends in the class.

Gwithian Star of the week:
Nevaeh for consistently focusing and trying her hardest in all subjects.

Outstanding work:
Lily-Rose for sorting animals under the correct categories in science.

and
Lacie-Blu for her fantastic turtle and it's habitat.

Sennen Star of the week:
Emily for superb focus and eagerness to learn.

Outstanding work:
Abigail for neat detailed description.
and
Lily-Mae an early and interesting project!

Fistral Star of the week:
Alicia for her polite positive attitude in school every single day.

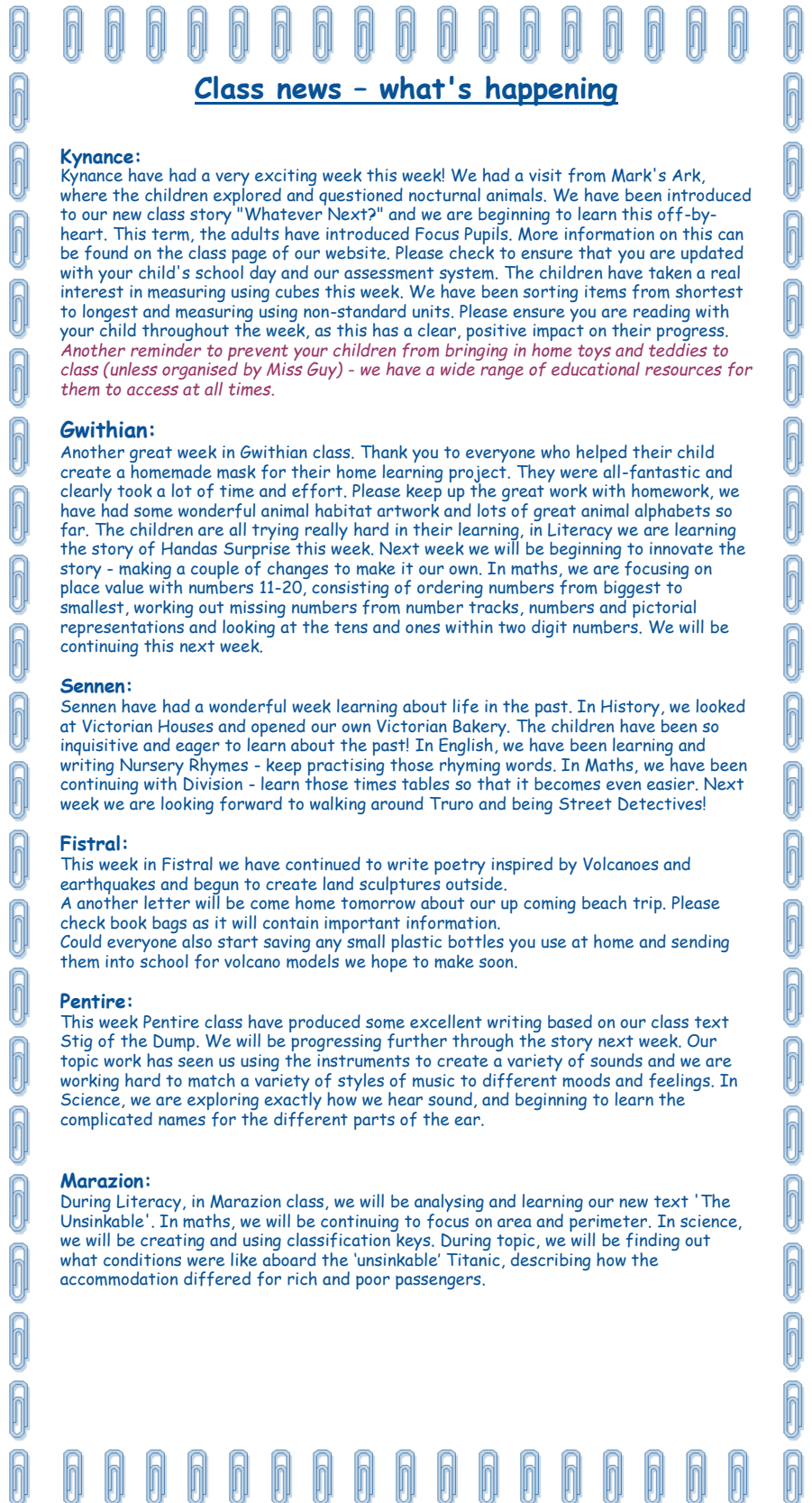
Outstanding work:
Harry for his hard work learning his 2, 5 and 10 times tables.
and
Jo for her delicious volcano cake.

Pentire Star of the week:
Joao

Outstanding work:
Charlie H

Marazion Star of the week:
Alfie for giving 100% effort to complete his learning in all subjects.

Outstanding learner:
Matthew for trying hard to improve his knowledge and understanding.



Class news - what's happening

Kynance:

Kynance have had a very exciting week this week! We had a visit from Mark's Ark, where the children explored and questioned nocturnal animals. We have been introduced to our new class story "Whatever Next?" and we are beginning to learn this off-by-heart. This term, the adults have introduced Focus Pupils. More information on this can be found on the class page of our website. Please check to ensure that you are updated with your child's school day and our assessment system. The children have taken a real interest in measuring using cubes this week. We have been sorting items from shortest to longest and measuring using non-standard units. Please ensure you are reading with your child throughout the week, as this has a clear, positive impact on their progress.

Another reminder to prevent your children from bringing in home toys and teddies to class (unless organised by Miss Guy) - we have a wide range of educational resources for them to access at all times.

Gwithian:

Another great week in Gwithian class. Thank you to everyone who helped their child create a homemade mask for their home learning project. They were all-fantastic and clearly took a lot of time and effort. Please keep up the great work with homework, we have had some wonderful animal habitat artwork and lots of great animal alphabets so far. The children are all trying really hard in their learning, in Literacy we are learning the story of Handas Surprise this week. Next week we will be beginning to innovate the story - making a couple of changes to make it our own. In maths, we are focusing on place value with numbers 11-20, consisting of ordering numbers from biggest to smallest, working out missing numbers from number tracks, numbers and pictorial representations and looking at the tens and ones within two digit numbers. We will be continuing this next week.

Sennen:

Sennen have had a wonderful week learning about life in the past. In History, we looked at Victorian Houses and opened our own Victorian Bakery. The children have been so inquisitive and eager to learn about the past! In English, we have been learning and writing Nursery Rhymes - keep practising those rhyming words. In Maths, we have been continuing with Division - learn those times tables so that it becomes even easier. Next week we are looking forward to walking around Truro and being Street Detectives!

Fistral:

This week in Fistral we have continued to write poetry inspired by Volcanoes and earthquakes and begun to create land sculptures outside. A another letter will be come home tomorrow about our up coming beach trip. Please check book bags as it will contain important information. Could everyone also start saving any small plastic bottles you use at home and sending them into school for volcano models we hope to make soon.

Pentire:

This week Pentire class have produced some excellent writing based on our class text Stig of the Dump. We will be progressing further through the story next week. Our topic work has seen us using the instruments to create a variety of sounds and we are working hard to match a variety of styles of music to different moods and feelings. In Science, we are exploring exactly how we hear sound, and beginning to learn the complicated names for the different parts of the ear.

Marazion:

During Literacy, in Marazion class, we will be analysing and learning our new text 'The Unsinkable'. In maths, we will be continuing to focus on area and perimeter. In science, we will be creating and using classification keys. During topic, we will be finding out what conditions were like aboard the 'unsinkable' Titanic, describing how the accommodation differed for rich and poor passengers.

Netball/Basketball

There is no club Monday 21st due to Mr LDL attending a training course.



Absence

Unless advised by your GP due to illness, we do expect children to be in school. At this time of year coughs and colds are common but not a reason to keep children at home.

Food bank vouchers (Truro by the library)

Are now available through school. Our Family Support Worker can collect and drop off if families need this. Also, if your children receive FSMs, we can get breakfast and lunch hampers for the holidays. You need to book early though so for February half term you need to order by first week in February. Please see Miss Saunders in the office who can arrange this.

Rock Steady Music session

Monday 21st January 3.15-.45pm in the school hall, there is an opportunity for parents to hear the instruments children can learn to play whilst being part of a band. Letters have been sent home with sign up information. There is a reduction offered to pupil premium children. (Please see Miss Saunders for payment arrangements)

STEM Returners programme with Babcock in Plymouth

Have you taken a career break from an engineering or a technical sector and wish to return? Are you working below your experience in a different sector? Do you have an engineering or technical degree that you aren't using? Do you just wish to transfer sectors but don't have any experience? If so this could be the opportunity for you! We are currently sourcing candidates for the Babcock 'STEM Returners' programme, a 13 week, fully paid and supported return to work programme starting in April 2019 in Plymouth. All candidates will also have the opportunity to obtain a permanent role at the end of the programme. No career break is too long, register to return to STEM today! For more information please visit www.stemreturners.com or email hello@stemreturners.com.

Thank you-Helen Tiplady.

Helen delivered a drama workshop to Marazion Class linked to their new topic 'Frozen Kingdom' this week. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience and we would like to thank Helen for her support.

E-Safety message

You may have seen recent reports on social media regarding risks associated with children talking to strangers when playing Fortnite. Fortnite is 12+ rated game and therefore it is advised that children of primary age should not have access to it. However, if you do allow your child to play Fortnite, it is important that you understand the risks that they face and have the information needed to help your child stay safe. Go to <https://tinyurl.com/fortniteadvice> to read the **Fortnite: all you need to know guide.**

Diary dates 2019

January

21st-Afterschool clubs start. ****Netball/Basketball There is no club Monday 21st due to Mr LDL attending a training course****
21st-Rock Steady Music parent taster session
23rd-FOTLA meeting from 9am

February

18th-22nd Half term
25th-First day back to school
28th-FOTLA Discos-details to follow

April

4th-Individual classes, Easter craft session 9.45-10.45am - parents welcome in their child's class
8th-22nd Easter Half Term 1pm finish
23rd-First day back to school for Summer term

May

27th-31st Half term

June

3rd and 4th-Inset days
5th-First day back to school for Summer term