



# Autumn Newsletter

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### Kynance:

The children have completed their first fun-filled, exciting half term! We are so proud of their achievements and their ability to adapt to a new situation. We are starting our new topic of 'Autumn' after half term. We will be exploring, learning and rehearsing 'The Little Red Hen' as our topic book. We will be looking at recreating patterns, sorting into groups for Maths and we will be baking bread to support our class story. If you have any ingredients to bake bread we would really appreciate your donations. Thank you!

Tapestry is up and running and every child should now have a focus pupil worksheet uploaded. Please like and comment on observations so that we know you have seen it. We would appreciate all parents checking their children's jumpers, coats and cardigans to ensure that no other child's name is in it and that it is currently named with their name clearly. Please use the communication book where necessary, as we are also unable to sort any worries unless they are brought to our attention. Finally, thank you for your support in your children's education this first half-term. We understand that, for a lot of you, it is also a new experience!

**Star of the week:** Harper for trying incredibly hard in her phonics and making super progress already this year!

**Community:** Maddison for being helpful, kind and caring to her friends and the classroom adults.

### Gwithian:

A fantastic end to a wonderful topic this half term. The children have really engaged into their first year 1 topic about animals and have produced some lovely work and art. We ended the topic this week with a trip to the zoo where we learnt about different animal teeth and how to tell by looking at animal skulls and faces, as well as their teeth, whether animals are herbivore, carnivore or omnivore. We then had great fun looking at the animals and trying to figure out which classification each animal was. And of course we conquered the Tarzan Trail too! On Thursday we had a pet behaviourist visit with her dog and tortoise and we learnt all about how to respond to certain behaviours, which are friendly and which we should stay away from. It's always good to know when a dog is actually wanting some space! Next half term our topic is 'Memory Box'. Please create either a scrapbook or a memory box with photo's and treasures from both children's, parents and even grandparents pasts that we can share over the course of our topic. The focus of this topic will be history and looking at changes in living memory. Have a wonderful half term break.

**Star of the week:** Alfie W for trying his best to follow the school rules and values and make good choices

**TLA Community:** Vinnie for persevering with his cursive name writing

**Home learner:** Isabelle for consistently producing homework with lots of effort.

### Sennen:

Well done Year 2 for a really positive start to the year. We have been learning Place Value and Addition and Subtraction skills in Maths, please keep practising your number bonds, doubles and partitioning numbers during the holidays. In English we have been writing Information Texts about Healthy Lifestyles. We completed Science investigations about which surfaces are best for bouncing balls. In Guided Reading we completed our story - Ready Steady Mo! We have also completed some Harvest activities and learned some songs about Harvest. Thank you for your support with setting routines and encouraging the children to raise to the new expectations of year 2. It has been a brilliant Autumn term so far.

**Star of the week:** Caitlyn for always trying hard and being kind and helpful

**TLA Community:** Amelia for trying her best to perfect her work

**Homework:** George

### Fistral:

This week we have been finishing our Gods and Mortals topic by designing and making contraptions based on the story of Icarus. In science, we have investigated why Icarus fell from the sky by testing feathers and wax in different conditions - the oven, the freezer, in water and at room temperature. In English, we have enjoyed writing our own Greek myth and created some wonderful Greek monsters. In maths, we have been subtracting numbers. Thank you to all the children for showing great enthusiasm and effort with their homework. They have produced some wonderful work and I am extremely proud of them all.

**Star of the week:** Emmie for always being ready to learn and trying her hardest.

**TLA Community:** Dion for demonstrating kindness and friendship towards others.

**Home learner:** Kai for lovely homework.

### Pentire:

In maths we have been using bead strings to identify pairs of numbers which make 100 and 1000. In English, we have been writing diary entries linked to our class novel 'Kensuke's Kingdom' and our topic work about the daily lives of Anglo-Saxon children. In PE, hockey skills are being developed. We have watched Baptism ceremonies taking place as part of our rites of passage learning in Religious Education.

After half term, we will continue with our current topic for another two weeks before we switch to 'Burps, Bottoms and Bile' which is a science based project linked to the digestive system. During half term, please could your child research what the Bayeux Tapestry is and what it shows ready to share when they return. Please encourage them to create an art piece based on the content of this (painting, drawing, sewing, clay, collage).

**Star of the week:** Isaac for excellent effort with his spellings and extended writing.

**TLA Community:** Toby for being really kind to children when they are upset.

**Home Learner:** Skyla for asking for additional homework several times this week.

### Summerleaze:

Summerleaze have enjoyed a brilliant first half term in Year 5 and have made the best start possible to the school year. So far, we have enjoyed exploring the Tudor period learning about life in the 1500's and some of the crimes and punishments that people faced. Next term, we will be exploring the use of forces in our environments and considering the thrill of rollercoasters in our new topic 'Scream'.

**Star of the week:** Lukas for getting over his confusion with Maths and moving forward at a great pace.

**TLA Community:** Ruby for being reliable and respectful when giving support to our supply staff.

**Home Learner:** Willow for managing two pieces of work.

### Marazion:

This week in year 6 we have been concluding our topic on Peasants, Princes and Pestilence. We have been researching about knights and written non-chronological reports on their training, tournaments, armour and life style. In maths we have been finding common multiples. We have had great fun entering an NHS art competition where we have all designed hospitals of the future!

**Star of the week:** Kye for excellent focus and attitude in class.

**TLA Community:** Chloe for showing resilience in maths.

**School attendance:** We finished the week with an improved figure of 94% for our whole school attendance. The Aspire Trust absence request forms will be in force from next term.

Kynance 92.7%

Gwithian 97.3%

Sennen 96.5%

Fistral 90.3%

Pentire 96.2%

Summerleaze 94.2%

Marazion 91.2%

### Head of Academy weekly round up

I would like to say a big thank you to the parents and guardians that drive to and from school for their cooperation with car parking and safer driving this week ensuring our community is safe for our children and grown ups

It's been lovely to see the classes enjoying their 'treats' this week; from wearing Pyjamas, watching a film, playing some great games-Twister is always lots of fun and den building whilst reading a favourite book.

Thank you to Alice from All Saints Church for attending our Harvest Festival and thank you for your kind donations. This food will help feed families in the local community.

From the TLA team we wish you are relaxed and enjoyable half term break.

Mr Hadley

### Notice board

#### Transfer to Secondary School

If your child is in Year 6 the window is now open to apply for their secondary school place. Information and guidance Website and Application form: [www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions) Email: [schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk) Post: School Admissions Team, County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY Telephone: 0300 1234 101 **THE DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS 31ST OCTOBER 2019**



#### Arbor App

This allows you to receive the latest secure messages from us and update the information that we hold about both you and your child. Users can only see the data for their child, and for themselves. Data regarding other contacts is inaccessible.

#### Outstanding payments

Can you please pay for outstanding trips, camps, fees and lunches via parent pay relating to the previous academic year. Thank you.

A reminder that all payments must be made via **parent pay**. We can no longer accept cash payments. Please speak with Miss Saunders if you require reminder log in details.

#### Uniform

Can we please remind all parents to write, sew or stick a label onto school uniform, coats, lunch boxes and beakers.

Keep an eye out for any changes to the menu via facebook.

First Monday back we are serving Quorn Korma with Naan or Vegetable pasta

#### Halloween menu-31st October

Eyeballs and guts (Meatballs in tomato sauce with spaghetti)

Cheesy Brains (Cauliflower cheese)

Critters in Jelly (Haribos in Jelly)



### Calendar of events

#### October

*21st-25th-Half term*

31st-Whole school Nasal Flu vaccinations *\*\*please complete form on line\*\**

#### November

4th-7th Book fair

13th-Year 1 Hearing screening

14th-FOTLA Discos *\*\*Neon theme\*\**

15th-Children in Need - *Non uniform day, spotty themed clothing (£1 charitable donation)*

20th-City of Lights Parade

22nd-Non uniform day-(*donation requests for FOTLA Christmas fair*)

#### December

6th-FOTLA Christmas Fair from 2.30pm

11th-EYFS and KS1 Nativity performance 2pm in the Hall

13th-Christmas Jumper day *\*\*uniform to be worn with the jumper\*\**

16th-KS2 Carol service at All Saints Church from 2pm (*parents welcome*)

18th-Christmas lunch

19th-Class Christmas parties after lunch *\*\*girls bring in savoury and boys bring in sweet foods\*\**

20th-Last day of term 1pm finish

*23rd December-3rd January 2020 Christmas break*