



Autumn term Newsletter

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Star pupil & Outstanding learner of the week

Kynance Star of the week:
Alexis, for consistently being able to blend sounds to make a word and for being a wonderful friend at all times.

Gwithian Star of the week:
Harry
Outstanding work:
Lois and Morwenna

Sennen Star of the week:
Pheonix for brilliant focus and confidence during our dance performance.
Outstanding work:
Emily for interesting and varied moves during our dance performance.

Rose for an amazing and creative bridge design made from pasta and marshmallows!

Fistral Star of the week:
Skye for stepping up to extra challenges in maths.

Harry for his excellent manners.
Outstanding work:
Isaac for his division by grouping.

Pentire Star of the week:
Jude.
Outstanding work:
Robyn and Josh.

Marazion Star of the week:
Josh for giving 100% effort during the Autumn reading assessments.
Outstanding learner:
Gabby for always giving 100% effort to improve her knowledge and understanding.

Class news - what's happening

Kynance:

This week in Kynance, we have been looking at 3D shapes and their properties. We have been comparing 3D shapes to 2D shapes, and can identify whether a shape is 3D or 2D depending on whether it is solid or flat. As a class, we are really interested in making marks and writing, so have been writing letters to Santa. Our pencil grasps are looking fantastic! I will be sending out sets of words to learn to read, alongside reading books. The children will be moving into the next set when they can show that they can read the words independently. Please practise these with your child, as it will support not only fluency in reading, but writing also. There are 15 sets of words that the children need to be able to read at the end of the year, so the more practise and the more sets that your child learns soon, the better. Thank you for your continued support with your child's education. The progress from all children is incredibly evident and we are so proud of them. **Please ensure Nativity costumes are in school for Monday please.**

Gwithian:

This week Gwithian class have worked extremely showing us everything they have learnt this term. We have been practising our Nativity regularly and have begun acting it on stage. It is looking great. The children enjoyed using watercolours in our Art lesson and during our independent learning; they have been starting to get involved in Christmas activities. Next week we will continue to get into the Christmas spirit by using some videos and photos to inspire writing and some final rehearsals for the Nativity. We are looking forward to seeing you on Thursday for the performances. **Please ensure costumes are in school for Monday please.**

Sennen:

We have had a great week - it has mostly been taken up with preparing for the Lost Words Performance at the museum. They did an outstanding job and we should all be incredibly proud of them. Thank you to Helen Tiplady for your support in creating the dance. We are looking forward to performing again next Monday at our Lost Words Exhibition in school. Next week is another busy week where we will focus on revision and consolidation of key areas in Maths - with a Christmas theme of course! In English, we will be writing letters linked to our topic of Bridges using the story of The Three Billy Goats Gruff. We will also be spending a lot of time preparing for our Nativity Performances on Thursday. **Please ensure costumes are in school for Monday please.**

Fistral:

Fistral class have been working hard on our end of term assessments. We have also been tenaciously practicing our Christmas carols ready for the carol concert on Monday 17th of December; we are starting to sound very professional and can't wait for the day. Next week we will continue our description of Greek Gods in English and work on multiplication and division in maths. In the afternoons, we will be painting our Godheads. This coming Monday we have an exciting exhibition coming up in school where parents will have the opportunity to see artwork made by the children. Could children please start getting an Ancient Greek outfit ready to wear to school on **Tuesday 18th December** for an Ancient Greek day to celebrate or learning this half term.

Pentire:

The countdown to Christmas has begun in Pentire Class. The children have been working hard to practice the carols for the concert Monday 17th of December. This week we have learnt about the danger to coral reefs from the 'crown of thorns' starfish and invented fact files for our own make believe fish called the 'Helifish'. Next week we will complete our final few lessons on the Blue Abyss where our literacy lessons will focus on Keiko the rescued Killer Whale. In maths, we will continue to rehearse the 7 and 9 times tables, exploring the inverse operations for each.

Marazion:

During Literacy, in Marazion class, we will be continuing to innovate our narrative text. In maths, we will be focusing on statistics. In science, we will be continuing to investigate the circulatory system. During topic we will be analysing the book 'The Heart and the Bottle' by Oliver Jeffers.

Attendance
Congratulations to
Kynance class with
97.1%
attendance this week..

Donation
Thank you to our logo
school uniform
provider Keywear for
the kind donation of
20 logo T-Shirts to
be worn for sports
events.

FOTLA Christmas Fair
Cake donations can be
handed in at the main
office on Friday.
Thank you

No Parking
Please Do not park in
the school car park at
drop off or collection.

The Lost Words
Thank you so much to those parents, grandparents and friends who ventured out on Wednesday this week in torrential winter rain to watch our wonderful children perform at the Royal Cornwall Museum. The Truro Hub of Aspire schools took over the museum for the day to exhibit a range of writing and artwork inspired by the Lost Words book and to perform a series of representational dances; Weasel, Adder, Kingfisher and Heron! The afternoon culminated in a rousing rendition of the Lost Words song sung by over 100 children at the end of the performance.

Thank you to all the staff involved in rehearsing the children to performance standard, supervising, supporting, coaxing and offering words of comfort and encouragement all day long! Most importantly though thank you to our amazing children! They were the youngest children taking part and fantastic advocates for our school; their behaviour was exemplary throughout the day and it was a privilege to be part of such a joy-filled learning experience and watch them smile all day long!

Lyn McNamara



The Christmas lunch and trips have also now been added to parent pay. Please select the relevant payment item to allocate the funds -i.e.: School lunches, Class trip.

Any problems logging in or issues please see or email Miss Saunders for assistance.

Diary dates

December:

- 10th-Lost words exhibition and performance ****arrive via the fire exit hall door from 2.15pm and congregate around the sides of the hall****
- 12th-Christmas lunch menu will be served **** Children can wear their Christmas Jumpers with uniform to school** £1 charity donation****
- 13th-EYFS and KS1 Nativity 2pm and 6pm performance in the school hall. ****Tickets available from Monday****
- 14th-FOTLA Christmas fair from 2.30pm in school hall
- 17th-KS2 Carol service from 2pm at All Saints Church
- 19th-Individual Class Christmas parties ****Children can change in to party clothes after lunch****
****boys bring in savoury and girls bring in sweet food please****
- **20th-Last day of term - 1pm finish****

January 2019

8th-First day back to school - Winter term

****18th-22nd February half term****

