



# Spring term Newsletter

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### Pupil recognition

**Kynance Star of the week:**  
Finley M for respecting the classroom.

**Gwithian Star of the week:**  
Charlie for persistence when writing sentences.

**Home Learning Certificate:**  
Savannah for creating her own animal story.

**Outstanding work:**  
Kodi for a consistent positive attitude towards his learning.

**Sennen Star of the week:**  
Krystal for fantastic handwriting and a wonderful recount.

**TLA Community Certificate:**  
Lily-Mae for being reliable and kind in all she does.

**Home Learning Certificate:**  
Skye for always completing lots of homework!

**Fistral Star of the week:**  
Alicia

**Outstanding work:**  
Haifa and Willow

**Pentire Star of the week:**  
Kayla

**Outstanding work:**  
Terry & Joao

**Marazion Star of the week:**  
Alfie for giving 100% effort to complete his learning tasks.

**Outstanding learner:**  
Jasmine for always trying hard to improve her knowledge and understanding.  
And Danny.

### Class news - what's happening

#### Kynance:

This week we have been working hard solving Maths sums. The children have been using the Kung Fu Math moves they learnt in class. The children have also been imaginative, writing their own stories!

#### Gwithian:

This week we have welcomed two new little furry friends, Thumper and Kevin. They will be taking residence in our classroom until the better weather returns, when they will move to enjoying the outdoors. The children are very keen to take care of the rabbits and are already being very considerate and mindful of their noise levels when busy working so not to scare them.

We have been focusing a lot on sentence structure this week and this is really starting to make an impact on the children's writing. Should they do any at home, please continue to encourage them to use finger spaces, full stops and capital letters as well as reading it back through to check it makes sense! In maths we have been using our own understanding of number bonds to 10, to add past 10, using tens frames and number lines to support us. Next week we will start looking at subtraction from 20. The children's reading is really coming on brilliantly, after half term I will be doing an after school club to boost these skills further. This will be invite only, however if you feel your child would benefit, please come and speak to me. We are aware that the children are making great progress with their reading and some are moving across book bands or close to needing to move. We do monitor this and listen to them read as often as possible. We look for a variety of skills including word reading, fluency, understanding of what they are reading and intonation when reading speech or exclamations. When we believe this is an appropriate level for the books the children are reading, they will be moved to the next band. Thank you for your support with reading at home.  
*Next week is our trip to Newquay Zoo and the children are very excited. Please let me know as soon as possible if you are able to help on this day, as we do need 2 additional adults.*

#### Sennen:

We have had a great week. We had another visitor who told us all about life in Truro in the past. Thank you to Jo Smith for offering and organising. We also had a great time building our own city. Thank you for all the boxes. In English, we completed our fantastic Recounts and wrote them up in neat. We have also been looking at Instructions. Perhaps you can practise giving your grown-ups instructions this weekend! In Maths, we have returned to Statistics and found some great information and interpreted block graphs, as well as making our own. Perhaps you could complete a survey at home - what vehicles pass your house every day?

#### Fistral:

We have had a busy week continuing to learn all about Pompeii. We have also managed to earn all of our class behaviour tokens and so next Friday 15th February we will have our treat of a disco in the afternoon. *Please send your child to school in normal school uniform with disco clothes in their bag to change into.* We will begin learning about money in maths and continue our diary writing in English. In the afternoons, we will make mod-roc sculptures of Pompeii citizens.

#### Pentire:

We have enjoyed performing to the rest of the class this week with their homemade instruments, they invented some interesting beats and patterns and were able to keep excellent time! Our maths, work has seen us simplify and add fractions and we will be continuing this next week. We have come to the end of 'Stig of the Dump' and the children completed detailed book reviews of the story. We are now working on a comic strip of the story, focussing on including all the detail of the book in a condensed form.

#### Marazion:

During Literacy, we will continue to innovate our narrative text and will begin to create our invented versions of the text. In maths we will be continuing to learn about fractions. In science, the children will be continuing to learn about animals from the frozen kingdom. During topic, we will be creating a sound track that captures the beauty of the Northern Lights, using a range of everyday and found objects from around the classroom.

**Class attendance**  
All classes were below the expected 95% attendance this week.

Hopefully the virus going around will pass soon.

**Book bags**  
Can you please check your child's book bag weekly. Magazines, letters home and reading books needing to be returned are mounting up in some bags.

### Thank you

to those parents who have offered to support us and Nurture Nursery in replacing the equipment which was so sadly vandalised recently. We will let you know how you might be able to help, in due course. I have asked our Academy Student Council to meet with the leaders of the nursery and offer our support in fund-raising to replace items damaged and lost. It is important that the children recognise the need to help our neighbours, at this time. Our current camera system has been reviewed today with some redirecting of the camera views. We will be working with the trust to identify further measures we can put in place to increase site security after hours, but would like to thank you for your messages this week - it's good to know we have your support.

Mr Hadley



### Parking on site

Due to the growing size of the school and the restricted size of our carpark and turning area, we must remind parents to park off-site, unless dropping off your child.

**The drop off bay is not a parking area** and vehicles should only be stopping for children to get out. If you need to escort your child to the playground, please park off-site and walk to the playground. The yellow lines are also in place to enable those dropping off to have clear access on and off the property and to limit the chances of an incident occurring. Parents with a prior agreement to park on-site may continue to do so and we ask that they continue to park sensibly in order to limit congestion. Pupils safety coming to and from school, is vitally important and we thank you for your ongoing support with this matter.



If your child cycles to school, can you please remind them about using the road safely. We have received calls from concerned residents about children not looking and weaving along the roads to and from school.

### Diary dates 2019

#### February

18th-22nd Half term

25th-First day back to school

28th-FOTLA Discos-details to follow

#### March

5th-St Pirans Day \*\*Cornish Pasty lunch\*\*

7th-World book day lunch menu

15th-Red Nose day \*\*non uniform, children to wear something red £1 charity donation\*\*

#### 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

#### July

24th-Last day of term 1pm finish