



Autumn Newsletter

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Kynance:

A fantastic start for all of our new Reception children. It has been a pleasure to get to know them and support them in their first week. They have all settled incredibly well and shown their readiness for school already. A reminder that Group 1's timings next week will be 8:45am-1pm and Group 2 will be 11:30am-3:15pm. We encourage all children to have school dinners, as they are entitled to a free school meal daily. Please ensure that we have up to date allergen information.

There will be a parent meeting on Wednesday 18th September at 3:30pm. All children will be taken next door into Year 1 to ensure that our meeting is thorough and our biscuits are safe! If you are unable to make this meeting, please talk directly to Miss Guy.

Star of the week: Every single child in Reception. We are so proud of you all!

Gwithian:

What an amazing start to Year 1! The children have settled really well and are enjoying their new learning environment. This week we have focused on exploring the classroom, the resources and where they belong and our outdoor learning environment. In maths we have looked at how to sort objects in a variety of ways such as by colour, shape and size and the children did extremely well with this. Next week we are going to look at counting objects. We are going to focus on our name writing next week. This will just be a reminder as I know many of the children are already able to do this. We are going to focus on our topic work about animals and our topic 'Paws, Claws and Whiskers' on Monday and will be looking at the story 'Monkey Puzzle' to support our learning on animal life cycles. Within this we will begin to caption pictures of animals and write simple sentences about our favourite animals.

Star of the week: Star

TLA Community: Alfie

Sennen:

Sennen have had a good first week, they are really starting to settle into the new routines and raised expectations of life in Year 2. We have been working on Counting and Place Value in Maths - keep practising counting in your tens and ones at home. In English we have been writing Recounts about our fun and exciting Bouncy afternoon linked to our new topic called Bounce. Keep practising spelling your High Frequency Words and forming your lovely joined up handwriting at home. Next week we will be learning the story of The Frog Prince. As part of our topic we have looked at animals that bounce, roll, jump and hop. We have also started thinking about why balls bounce and how we can use balloons to power a car.

Star of the week: Kitty - for working hard and setting a good example

TLA Community: Reliability - Lily-Rose for always being responsible and trustworthy.

Fistral:

Fistral have had a very busy week learning about our topic of Gods and Mortals.

We have watched the story of Zeus and have been learning about other Greek Gods and Goddesses. In science, we have been geologists and have used magnifying glasses to investigate different types of rocks. In maths, we have been counting in 10s and finding 10 more than an amount.

Next week we will continue with our learning with some descriptive writing about Greek Gods.

Our maths learning will develop into finding 100 more and less and in Art we will be very creative by making some Greek pottery.

Star of the week: Logan for trying his hardest in every lesson.

TLA Community: Max for being a fantastic role model in the classroom and around the school.

Pentire:

Our first full week has been both engaging and enjoyable. We have laughed our way through Roald Dahl's 'The Twits', written acrostics, researched facts about the author and sketched scenes from the story. We have also started our maths topic on 'Place Value' by reading, writing and ordering 4 digit numbers. We have been learning spellings using a dice based game.

Next week, we start our topic of 1066 which is a history based study unit all about the Battle of Hastings.

Star of the week: Hennie for being positive about editing and improving his work thereby producing high quality finished pieces.

TLA Community: Alysia for being a really kind and caring class member who always thinks about others before herself.

Home Learner: Aimen for choosing to write his own acrostic at home after being inspired by the ones we did in class.

Summerleaze:

After a brilliant start to Year 5, Summerleaze have eagerly settled into their Tudor topic of Off with her Head! In literacy, we have been asked by Elizabeth I to investigate her mothers death by writing biographies of the major players. In maths, we are deepening our understanding of place value, looking at comparing, ordering and rounding numbers to 100,000. Within science, we are looking at the properties of materials and investigating why different objects have different properties. Having spent the first week recreating the battle that begun the Tudor dynasty, next week we will be looking at the most well-known king of the era, Henry VIII.

Star of the week: Charlie D for a magnificent piece of writing in her literacy

TLA Community: Lexie for showing superb resilience and kindness at her new school

Homework: Riley J for putting 100% effort into his first homework piece

Marazion:

It's been a great start for our Year 6. They are getting back into the school routine well, and are showing great focus in their lessons. We are busy learning about the Black Death - a rather gruesome way to start the year! We have been looking at ways in which we can cleverly use language to describe the pestilence that swept across the land. Next week we will try and use these features to improve our own writing. In maths we will continue to look at place value. This is such an important part of our maths learning - a solid understanding of this will support all the children going forward this year.

Star of the week: Callum for demonstrating a mature approach to Year 6 - we are all so impressed with the way he conducts himself in all areas of school life.

TLA Community: Josh for showing resilience in learning - several times this week he has really impressed the adults working with him.

School attendance:

We finished the week with **95.8%** whole school attendance.

Class attendance this week:

Kynance **99.3%**

Gwithian **98.9%**

Sennen **93.4%**

Fistral **94.6%**

Pentire **94.8%**

Summerleaze **97.9%**

Marazion **92.9%**

Head of Academy weekly round up

Welcome back to a new and exciting year at TLA! It has been so lovely this week to hear the children talking excitedly about the fun they had over the holidays. We have also welcomed our new reception class children this week who have already shown us what a positive year it will be for them. We are so proud of how they have begun to gel as a class already, with so much politeness and positivity in the class and around school. All classes have begun to work on their exciting learning projects for the term with great enthusiasm. From learning about 'Plague and Pestilence' in Year 6 to learning about 'Paws, Claws and Whiskers' in Year 1, the level of engagement has been fantastic. This year, we will be providing more opportunities for you to spend time in class with your children and will be sharing these dates and times on future newsletters - please look out for these. As always, please come to see us if you have a concern, want to share any information with us or to seek advice. Our doors are always open.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend in the sunshine!

Mr Hadley

Notice board

School Council Representatives

Next Tuesday we will be choosing School Council Representatives for the year ahead. Yr1-yr6. If your child (KS2) wishes to be a School Councillor, please support them in putting together a short (1-2 minute) presentation, explaining why they believe they have the skills to represent the school in this way. KS1- please put their name forward to the Class Teacher. 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 log in details.

Outstanding payments

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

Truro in Bloom

Can we please have all the reply slips in by Monday 16th in order to notify the organiser of attendees.



A parking reminder

There are cars that need to, legitimately, enter the school grounds each morning: school taxis for children that live a significant distance away, staff who work at school or Nurture Nursery, disabled parents and those who have an agreement directly with the school. (Please speak with Miss Saunders and **obtain a parking pass** to put on your car dashboard)

All other vehicles **should not** be parking on site in order to drop children off at school. We appreciate that parking near to the school is often difficult and so, in order to limit traffic on Albany Road and the immediate vicinity, we have an agreed parking arrangement with the County Arms Pub. Parents are welcome to park in the pub car park for morning drop off and afternoon pick and then use the pedestrian crossing and walk the short distance to school.

School Uniform

Thank you to those that donated last years school uniform. This will help many families.

PE KIT

A reminder that children need their PE kit in school, we send it home at half term to be washed.

Social media

Please follow us on facebook and or Twitter. Can we please remind parents to use responsibly and respectfully. Thank you.

Calendar of events

September

17th-FOTLA meeting-9am family meeting space

October

2nd-Individual & sibling photos from 8.30am—School hall

21st-25th-Half term

31st-Whole school Nasal Flu vaccinations

November

4th-7th Book fair

13th-Year 1 Hearing screening

20th-City of Lights Parade

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

December

6th-FOTLA Christmas Fair from 2.30pm

13th-Christmas Jumper day

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

18th-Christmas lunch

19th-Class Christmas parties after lunch

20th-Last day of term 1pm finish

23rd December-3rd January 2020 Christmas break