



Autumn Newsletter

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Kynance: Another fabulous week. Kynance have thoroughly enjoyed our enhanced provision this week and have taken a natural interest in making obstacle courses for our programmed robot and for building famous buildings using our blocks. We have been comparing amounts of objects by identifying more than/greater than using our greedy alligator (who always eats the biggest number!). The children have had a blast at the disco and have been introduced to our class 'baby'. The care in which they show the baby and each other is truly amazing and we are so proud of all of their achievements. We are blown away by their growing resilience, kindness and we are particularly overwhelmed by their phonics progress thanks to our team, their hard work and your support at home.

Star of the week: Jayden for progressing amazingly in his phonics and for showing fantastic attitudes to learning.

Community: Bethany for demonstrating confidence, independence and respect to all of those around her.

Gwithian: This week our class have worked extremely hard in maths on addition using the + symbol. They are really confident in answering addition calculations and next week we will begin to look at some problem solving around this. In literacy they have begun to think about writing about past events in preparation to write a diary entry next week. Lots of discussion about what they do at the weekend will support them in remembering and thinking of their memories when writing their diaries. The children created their Diva Lamps out of clay and have begun to decorate them - this will continue next week and they will explore the traditions of a Hindu wedding in RE. In science they will explore further about our senses. Nativity singing practice is in full swing, so we apologise if you get the catchy songs being sung all the time at home; they're stuck in our heads too! You should have received a letter regarding your child's role in the nativity and a letter about a class trip to Truro Museum. Please see me if you did not receive these. This week's spellings are Set 7 from the 'Spellzoo' booklet sent home earlier in the week.

Star of the week: Finley S for implementing beautiful cursive handwriting into all of his work.

TLA Community: Toby for showing integrity by being a respected and responsible member of our class.

Home learner: Noah for regular reading at home, trying really hard to improve.

Sennen: This week the class have been working hard to complete their stories in English, I was so proud of their effort, care and attention when writing. Keep practising your beautiful handwriting at home. In Maths we have been exploring Money, the children found it tricky at first but have persevered. Keep practising at home - perhaps you could help with the shopping this week! We have also been comparing houses in Victorian times and modern day in History. In Geography we have looked at different map symbols and how to follow a map. In Science we have continued to explore materials and their properties and why different objects are made from specific materials - what materials can you find around your house? We are really looking forward to our excursion around the community next week - please let me or Miss Saunders know if you can accompany us on this walk.

Star of the week: Savannah for being a fantastic role model.

TLA Community: Florence - Aspiration - always giving 100%.

Homework: Lacie-Blu for completing homework every week.

Fistral: In English we have been looking at spoken reports and have been researching and recording facts about the Stone Age in preparation for presenting our reports to each other next week. In guided reading the children have really enjoyed the story of The Stone Age Boy and have written some wonderful letters describing how they went back in time to the Stone Age, how they felt and what they saw. In maths we have started subtracting 3 digit numbers. We have continued to think about the work of archaeologists and have looked at aerial photographs of the school grounds to help us decide on a good place to carry out our archaeological dig. The children are really enjoying their topic and have brought in some fantastic pieces of homework. Please keep them coming so they can be displayed in the classroom.

Star of the week: Phoenix for always trying his hardest.

TLA Community: Cayzen for being a fantastic learner all week.

Home Learner: Abigail for consistent, high quality homework.

Pentire: In maths, we have been learning about subtraction with exchange. In English, we have been reading about teeth, retrieving information from the text to answer questions and creating persuasive posters using the computers. We have researched the question, 'Does the youngest child in class have the most milk teeth?' by examining how many milk and second teeth we each have. We have studied the Sikh Baptism service, Amrit, and learned a Spanish Song. We have celebrated 'World Diabetes Day' and learned how to deal with bullying in an anti-bullying assembly. Next week, we will continue our teeth investigations. A letter will come home about permission for your child to use a disclosing tablet to identify any areas which need targeting brushing. We will also be finding out how much sugar there is in certain foods and drinks so the children can make informed choices.

Star of the week: Bobby, for better focus and effort in all lessons.

TLA Community: Alicia-Rose for being aspirational as she always completes purple response and tackles challenges set.

Home Learner: David, for researching facts about WW2 after Armistice Day.

Summerleaze: After an action packed week, Summerleaze are going to carry on with their random acts of kindness and thinking about Anti-Bullying Week, Remembrance Day and Children In Need. Next week, we will be looking at building our own 'making a choice' story and concentrating on our use of apostrophes and inverted commas for speech. Within maths, we will be continuing to work on multiplication and looking at different strategies to solve problems. As we start to think about building our own rollercoasters, we are going to investigate what type of materials we can use to make our coasters go faster.

Star of the week: Terry for working hard and producing brilliant work in his maths lessons.

TLA Community: Lukas for showing a kind insight as we learnt about Anti-Bullying Week.

Home Learner: Charlie H for showing a brilliant willingness to extend his learning at home.

Marazion: We had an exciting start to our week making our lanterns for the City of Lights parade. It was a lot of fun and the lanterns we made are fantastic! In topic lessons we have explored the reasons behind WW1, discussed alliances and identified central powers and neutral countries. In Literacy we have been focused on conveying characters' emotions through our writing and in Maths we have used number facts to multiply and divide. We ended our week with a science investigation, making parachutes. We considered materials used, size and length of string in order to create the best parachute possible and maximise air resistance.

Star of the week: Alfie N for fantastic effort with his learning.

TLA Community: Zoe and Evie for reliability and sensible attitude when making lanterns.

Home learner: Josh for great quality of work produced at home.

School attendance: We finished the week on **91.5%** for our whole school attendance. Another disappointing week, below the expected 96%

Kynance: 96%

Fistral: 95.4%

Marazion: 83.1%

Gwithian: 89.6%

Pentire: 93.4%

Sennen: 90%

Summerleaze: 92.6%

Please remember to call the office: 01872 277635 before 9am to report your child absent, with a reason for their absence.

Head of Academy weekly round up

Looking through each teacher's summary of what the classes have been up to shows the amazing range of activities and learning going on. I regularly pop into classes to witness the hard work and dedication of the teachers and to see how the children are focussed and engaged in their learning. This week we have all enjoyed an assembly put together by Ozzy and Hennie about World Diabetes day, yesterday. It was very informative and had the whole school as a captive audience. Well done boys! Please can I ask that you remind your children to speak to an adult in the event of any situation which they feel is unjust, harmful or uncomfortable, at any point in the school day. If we are made aware of difficult situation, we can deal with it quickly and efficiently. Unfortunately, I also need to ask you to ensure the children leave their footballs at home from now on. We have more than enough for a game each playtime and Mr LDL will be arranging a football timetable to make sure each class gets a fair turn at playing in the week.

I hope that you all enjoy your weekend and get a chance to run off some steam!

Mr Hadley

Notice board

Arriving late

A reminder that children arriving late must be brought in through to the main office and signed in by the adult bringing them to school with a valid reason for the lateness.

Outstanding payments

A reminder that **all payments and permission** 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.

FOTLA disco

A great success for the first disco this academic year. The money raised £371.70 will go towards new reading resources for the older children.

Non uniform day-Friday 22nd *donation requests for FOTLA Christmas fair: bric-a-brac, wrapped chocolate for tombola, school uniform*

Christmas lunch 18th December

Please pre-order via parent pay **no later than Monday 9th December** as food needs to be ordered.

Calendar of events

November

20th-City of Lights Parade ****Year 6****

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

25th-EYFS Vision screening

28th-Christmas fair craft session - ****parents welcome 2-3pm in their child's classroom****

December

2nd-Parents Evening 3.30-6.00pm book slot at school office

3rd-FOTLA meeting 9am in the family meeting space

4th-Parents Evening 3.30-6.00pm book slot at school office ****NO film club****

6th-FOTLA Christmas Fair from 2.30pm

11th-EYFS and KS1 Nativity performance 2pm and 6pm in the Hall *(2 tickets at 50p each per family will be available)**

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 ****Christmas jumpers may be worn with uniform****

23rd December-3rd January 2020 Christmas break

