



# Autumn Newsletter

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**Kynance:** In Maths this week in Kynance we have been exploring 'one more' than a given amount. We have almost finished learning all of Set 1 sounds in phonics and we are overwhelmed by the progress that we are seeing in such a short time. The children have been practising writing captions and using the red word 'I' - some amazing pieces of independent writing has been occurring and we are feeling very proud! The children have also been helping with our daily calendar: we know the days of the week and have been identifying the weather, season, month and date. The children have been showing their kind and caring nature towards each other, for example helping each other zip up coats. Seeing them progress so much in a few weeks is so incredibly rewarding.

*We would love to see some more parental engagement with Tapestry as we hear all of the fun things that are happening at home and would love to share them in class. This also supports our assessments, particularly with the 'People and Communities' aspect of our curriculum, linking to family customs and routines. If anyone is struggling with Tapestry sign-in, or needs any support on how to use it, please come to Miss Guy and I would be glad to help!*

**Star of the week:** Ava for progressing so successfully through phonics and for applying this in her writing.

**Community:** Freddie for trying hard to focus, demonstrating friendly behaviour and giving out lots of hugs to his friends!

**Gwithian:** A great week for Gwithian class and their diary writing in Literacy. In maths they have begun working on addition fact families within 10. The children have started to independently explore books about toys from the past and identify any similarities and differences between then and present day toys. Next week we will look into this further. We have completed our learning about the story Grandma's Bill and next week, we will start a new story and look at story mapping. We will start looking at antiques next in preparation for our museum visit. Please let me know if you are able to join us on the 6th Dec as we currently do not have enough adults for the trip to go ahead.

Please can we ask that you do not allow your children to bring in items from home unless they are directly linked to our topic or a personal achievement? We ask due to many children asking throughout the day to share their items and we do not always have time resulting in children becoming upset. If children are bringing in personal achievements or items relating to our topic please can you prepare them to talk to the class about it - we will then keep it safe in the classroom cupboard until we have time for news sharing, but we cannot promise this will be every day. Thank you for your co-operation.

**Star of the week:** Lilly-Mae for being a general STAR in Gwithian class, always following instructions and ready to learn.

**TLA Community:** Jerran for resilience when returning to school and working hard.

**Home learner:** Rocco for engaging in reading more at home.

**Sennen:** We have had a super week being Street Detectives! We have had a special visit from Mrs Thomas who told us all about Truro in the past. We then did some beautiful writing about what we had learnt. We have also been continuing our theme of life in the past by learning some Nursery Rhymes. Next week we will continue this theme by writing our own rhyming couplets. Perhaps you could explore some nursery rhymes at home too? We have also been looking at maps using the laptops and exploring different parts of Truro using Google maps. We learnt about shops in the past in History and different Materials and the Properties in Science where we made houses out of different materials. In Maths we have continued with Money by looking at the difference and finding change, keep practising these skills this weekend by going to the shops and working out the change.

**Star of the week:** Jamie for joining in class discussion with super ideas.

**TLA Community:** George for always showing Kindness no matter what.

**Homework:** Jaden for consistently bringing in different homework each week.

**Fistral:** We have had a fantastic week collecting facts about the Stone Age which we used to produce a spoken report. The classroom was turned into a news studio and the children did a fantastic job presenting their reports to each other. Next week, we will be looking at the features of non-chronological reports and beginning to plan writing our own reports.

In topic, we cleaned, identified and classified the artefacts we discovered during our archaeological dig. In science we have been investigating reflective materials and what they are used for. In maths, we have begun subtraction from three digit numbers.

**Star of the week:** Olivia for amazing subtraction work in maths.

**TLA Community:** Laycee for kindness and thoughtfulness towards everyone.

**Home Learner:** Rose for writing a great Stone Age story.

**Pentire:** In maths, we have been learning how to solve one and two step word problems involving addition and subtraction. We have been writing anti-bullying Haiku poems, diary entries about 'Babe's' experience of a sheep dog trial and we have carried out three science investigations to identify which cereals contain the most sugar, which drink contains the most sugar and where plaque builds up on our teeth.

Next week, we will begin multiplication in maths, learn about the digestive system and about Sikh duties and vows (The 5 K's).

**Star of the week:** Roxy for continued hard work and dedication to making progress in all subjects.

**TLA Community:** Kornel for his ongoing reliability as an excellent role model for his peer group.

**Home Learner:** Skye for taking home the maths challenge and finishing it. Plus she carried out a brilliant science test, using coins and drinks.

**Summerleaze:** We are enjoying our rollercoaster topic and are beginning to create our stories of a rollercoaster ride. In maths, we are beginning to look at multiplying by 2 digit numbers and using the long multiplication method. Within our topic work we are going to investigate the parks around the world and begin to consider how we can design our own rollercoasters.

**Star of the week:** Keta for working hard and putting in 100% effort with her maths.

**TLA Community:** Lukas for showing resilience in his work everyday.

**Home Learner:** Willow for showing lots of effort and independence in her homework.

**Marazion:** Our highlight this week was the City of Lights Parade. We had a great time and loved showing off all our hard work! Thank you to everyone who came and supported us.

In literacy this week we have planned a narrative based on 'The Piano', ensuring we are including similes, metaphors, rhetorical questions, speech and adventurous language. In maths we have begun our unit on fractions and completed investigations on addition and subtraction.

**Star of the week:** Aimee for her great ideas in literacy.

**TLA Community:** Rocco for being a great friend.

**Home learner:** Zoe for always being up to date with her homework.

**School attendance:** We finished the week with a disappointing **90.5%** for our whole school attendance. A reminder that we start the school day 8.45am, too many children are arriving late! An absence form **MUST** be completed for all appointments taken during school hours.

**Kynance:** 95.1%

**Fistral:** 87.6%

**Marazion:** 86.2%

**Gwithian:** 91.9%

**Pentire:** 97.2%

**Sennen:** 81.5%

**Summerleaze:** 93.7%

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

## Notice board

### Tokens

We will be collecting tokens in 'The Sun' newspaper for a chance to win £600 worth of books for our Academy.

### Arbor

We are no longer using eschools, communication is now through Arbor. Please ensure you download the app.

### 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. Lateness is monitored by the Educational Welfare Officer.

### 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.

### Christmas lunch 18th December

Please pre-order via parent pay no later than Monday 9th December as food needs to be ordered even if your child is in EYFS/ KS1 or receives FSM.

### Wet play games

The older children have asked for more board games, in particular Monopoly and Cluedo.

If you have any unwanted board games suitable for any of our children to play and can kindly donate please drop them in to the office. Thank you

## Calendar of events

### November

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

9th-The Book People-**\*\*Red Bus will park up on KS2 playground for the day\*\***

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 **\*\*pre order no later than Monday 9th December\*\***

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**

### January 2020

6th-First day back of Spring term at 8.45am

15th-EYFS & Year 6 height and weight check

