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Friday 20th November

Dear Parents/Carers,

I can hardly believe that we are fast approaching the end of November and Christmas is creeping up on us! I hope you all received my Christmas dinner letter yesterday, which will be held on Wednesday 16th December. Children are also invited to wear their Christmas jumpers in return for a voluntary donation towards the charity 'Save the Children'. Whilst on the note of Christmas, this year we are unable to invite you to attend our nativity, Christmas fete and end of term assembly. Instead, you will be sent a video link of our Key Stage 1 nativity, class Christmas themed performances and a presentation of Class Shields and Learning to Learn Awards. This will all be recorded and sent to you via a video link/disk. These videos will also be placed on our website and our social media platforms. I am aware that a few children are not permitted to be recorded and we will, of course, involve these pupils fully but not within the video itself. However if there are any changes to this, and you are happy for them to be recorded, please inform us. Thank you.

This week, Towan class has been looking at instructions and what they are used for. They have created their own bird feeders by following some simple instruction. During child initiated play, I have loved watching how some children have worked together to build a tractor using lots of different resources.

This week, Summers Class has been creating fact files about landmarks in London. They have also been starting to learn about the Great Fire of London and how the fire has made London a better place. With Mrs Paully in music, they enjoyed watching and learning about different types of instruments found in an orchestra. They particularly enjoyed conducting the orchestra!

This week, Porthcurnick Class have finished their woolly mammoth reports in English and created a huge class cave painting in art. In science, they have been investigating soil and learning about what it contains.

Portholland Class have had a busy week with their work on legends coming towards an end. They have begun writing their own, and lots of them are already looking particularly gruesome. The class have also enjoyed their work in science this week, where they have been exploring the adaptations that animals make to their environment.

Porthluney Class have been investigating water resistance in science. In geography, they have also been designing Tregony in the future as well as creating Ancient Greek sandals in design technology.

Next week, on Tuesday 24th November, pupils whose parents have signed up for the flu vaccine will be receiving this. The vaccination is free and recommended for young children; it is administered by a quick and simple spray up the nose. Please enter www.nhs.uk/child-flu to access information explaining the vaccination programme which also includes details about the small number of children for whom the nasal vaccine is not appropriate. In order to access the online consent form, please enter or click on the following link <https://www.kernowimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu> PLEASE ENSURE YOU QUOTE THE FULL UNIQUE SCHOOL REFERENCE CODE. The code for your school is: **EE142668**. Please submit your consent form by **Friday 20th November 2020** to ensure your child receives their vaccination. If you experience any problems accessing the form please telephone **01872 221105** and the team will be happy to help. Please note that as in previous years,



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you must opt in to the programme. If a consent form is not submitted, your child will not be vaccinated. For your information, the children's other health screening services will be paused for the time being but hope to resume next year.

We are still very concerned that some pupils and parents are walking through the middle of the car park at the end of the day. Please can you support us in ensuring everybody's health and safety by using the pavements when you exit. Thank you.

Finally, I would like to share the good news that Miss Worledge has passed her National Award for Special Educational Needs Coordination, achieving an overall grade A!

Have a lovely weekend!

Kate Douglass

Headteacher.



This week, Porthcurnick class has been learning new yoga poses and telling stories to incorporate them. It's great to see them enjoying a new sport that we have just started teaching!

Thank you

Miss Mulroy
P.E lead



Congratulations to our newly elected school council members:

Summers - Merryn and Rowan
Porthcurnick - Nancy and Wilf
Portholland - Saskia and William
Porthluney - Elowyn and George

This week we met and discussed where to plant our donated bulbs and seeds. We have also been busy discussing how we can further improve our outdoor area as well as fundraising ideas for Christmas. We are hoping to create a storage area in the woodland to hold and sort all of our den building resources. If you know of anyone willing to donate pallets and help us to build a storage area, then please do let us know.



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Letter reminders

For your information, the majority of letters will be sent via email so please check your inbox frequently! Thank you.

- School Christmas Dinner letter

Value of the week



Forthcoming dates



- Tuesday 24th November: Nasal Flu Vaccination
- Wednesday 16th December School Christmas dinner and jumper day
- Thursday 17th December non-uniform and Christmas party day
- Friday 18th December break up for Christmas
- Monday 4th January Spring Term starts

Headteacher awards



Towan: Jasper for super independent writing and application of phonics.
Freddie for super independent writing in phonics.

Portholland: Harry for an amazing attitude to and progress in reading comprehension.
Anna and Jago for imaginative setting descriptions when writing the start of their mythical stories.
Mia for growing confidence and super solo singing in her music lesson.

Class certificates



Towan: Grace for writing sentences in both Phonics and English independently.

Summers: Jayden for always being kind and polite.

Porthcurnick: Evie for amazing maths.

Portholland: Lola for excellent understanding of animals and their adaptations to different environments and climates.

Porthluney: Eythan for having a positive, independent attitude toward his maths and Elwyn for being an excellent role model and helping others.

P.E: Sennen for demonstrating excellent yoga skills in P.E



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Lighthouse teams

Godrevy: 973
Trevose: 830
St Antony: 866
Lizard: 942



Attendance

Towan:
Summers:
Porthcurnick:
Portholland:
Porthluney:



Reading Karate

White band - Marta, Dylan, Charles, Joshua, Freddie, Jacob

Yellow band - Alix, Ben, Archie, Matthew, Ethan, Mia, Isaac, Summer, Lola, Leonora, Isaac, Sennen F, Annie, Wilf

Orange band - Henry, Merryn, Eythan, Rowan, Gabriel, Riley, Henry, Harley, Arthur



E-safety and Internet safety

<https://www.think.gov.uk/education-resources/>

This week, I have added a link to road safety resources for children of all ages. We have noticed that pupils are not using pavements and are riding their bikes and scooters dangerously not only out of the school premises but around the village too.



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Other information

If your child was born between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017 you will need to apply for a school place for September 2021. The deadline for applications is 15th January 2021. Please see the link for further information and to apply. www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions. If you need help with your application, please contact the Family Information Service on 0800 587 8191.

The school has become a drop off point for 'No Child Goes Hungry'. This is a group, who are working together to provide food hampers and christmas hampers for those in need. If you would like to donate an item, this can be placed in the box at the front door. Donated items will be used to create hampers which will be distributed to families in our immediate and surrounding area. For more information, please contact nochildgoeshungryprobus@gmail.com or follow them on Facebook: No Child Goes Hungry- Probus.

Nits! We have had some reports of little visitors in some pupils' hair. Please can we ask that you check your child's/children's hair and follow NHS advice on dealing with the nasty creatures! Thank you.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>



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