



Friday 13th November

Dear Parents/Carers,

Today, the school turned spotty for Children in Need 2020. Thank you to all of your generous donations, we raised £151.26 for this wonderful cause. This week saw the start of our 'Catch Up' clubs, attendance was excellent. Thank you for your ongoing support with this.

Towan class has been learning about similarities and differences between different fruits and vegetables. They have also been learning about what is under the sea and the different features a shark has.

This week, Summers Class has started a new book called 'Iggy Peck Architect' which is about a child who likes building. As part of one of these sessions, the children were challenged to create a structure in groups using different types of building materials such as junk modelling or straws and playdough. The results can be seen on our class blog.

Porthcurnick class have been improving their drawing skills by looking for geometric shapes in pictures - they then applied this skill to observational drawings of stone age animals. In science, they have become paleontologists, chipping away at ice to free 'fossils', writing instructions to make amber 'jelly' fossils and then they created mould fossils using salt dough.

Portholland class thoroughly enjoyed their first hockey session and showed excellent skill and understanding on the rules. The children have also been very excited to begin work on writing their own legends after completing the book Beowulf by Michael Morpurgo.

Porthluney Class have been learning about Sir Isaac Newton and investigating the difference between mass and weight. They have also been completing their Ancient Greek pots - look on our blog to see the final products!

For your information, each class page has knowledge organisers, which show what your child/children will be learning in each subject this term. Please share these with your child/ren so that you can look at the key skills and knowledge they will be learning in each subject.

We have noticed that many children are arriving at school as early as 8.15am. The school is open from 8.40am, please can we politely request that pupils do not arrive earlier, as they are not supervised during this time. We have also noticed that many children and adults exit the school at the end of the school day through the middle of the car park. The car park is exceptionally busy so please can you ensure that the pavements are used so that we can avert an accident; a near miss has been reported to me this week. If you are travelling by car, vehicles should be reversed into spaces. There is further parking at the Social Club, which is only a minute's walk away from the school. Thank you for your cooperation with this as the safety of our pupils is paramount.

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.



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Have a lovely weekend!

Kate Douglass

Headteacher.



This week, pupils have been taking part in the Cornwall Virtual Winter School Games during their P.E lessons. It has been great to see them working in teams, measuring and recording their results.

Portholland have had an excellent hockey session this week, showing impressive attacking and defending skills. Great work; keep it up!

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

Next week, we will be meeting on Wednesday to discuss where we can plant flowers and bulbs (thank you for those already donated) around our outside area and how we can improve our woodland. We have already discussed creating a seating area out of wood and stumps, so that we can begin to create an outside classroom. If you know of anyone willing to donate and help us source seats, then please do let us know.



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

- School uniform letter



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- 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

Porthcurnick: Robert Tupper for significant improvement and pride in his handwriting.



Towan: Brandon for working hard by independently completing his English tasks

Summers: Ren for always working hard and trying her best.

Porthcurnick: Robert for significant improvement in his handwriting.

Portholland: Georgia for showing skill and determination when playing hockey in PE.

Porthluney: Morgan - for having an excellent week and demonstrating amazing comprehension skills

P.E: Brandon for demonstrating fantastic ball skills in P.E.



Godrevy: 839

Trevose: 702

St Antony: 709

Lizard: 810



Towan:

Summers:

Porthcurnick:

Portholland:

Porthluney:



White band - Jamie, Aiden, Ted, Eddie, Lacey,

Orange band - Frank, Otis, Rory, Thomas,



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Evie, Harry, Tyler, Isaac

Yellow band - Toby, Huw, Beau, Saskia,
Anna, Curtis, Annalea, Henry, Charlie,

Elwyn, Lawrie, Annabelle, Robert, Henry

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 in the village too.

Other information

Last week, I emailed information regarding the nasal flu vaccine. All children in Primary Schools from Reception to year 6 (inclusive) will be offered the vaccine. 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. They are due to visit our school on Tuesday 24th November 2020. 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 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 health screening services will be paused for the time being but hope to resume next year.

Please can all children ensure that they bring their reading record book, reading book and home reading book (if they have one) each day. Reading books are changed each Monday and Friday and there will be an opportunity to change library books each Monday for KS2 children and Friday for KS1. Unfortunately, we are only able to change books on these days due to the need for them to be quarantined between use. We ask that children read at least four times a week and that their reading record book is signed. Thank you



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