

SENNEN SCHOOL

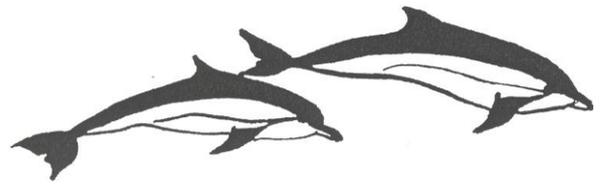
NEWSLETTER

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ATTENDANCE: YEAR R & 1 92.3%
YEAR 2 & 3 97.1%
YEAR 4 & 5 97.7%
YEAR 6 100%

AIRE CLASS - This week we have been developing our 'Islands' theme by reading the story 'Gregory Cool' by Caroline Binch. The story is set in Tobago, and the children have been learning about this island, and the activities that you could do on it. They especially enjoyed seeing the dolphins in the book - an interesting link with Sennen. Next week the children will be making their own choice of an island to investigate - they may like to think about this over the weekend. In Maths we have been suffering from the attentions of the Pirate Robber, who has been stealing numbers. The children have had to find the missing ones in bonds for 10, 20 and 100. Reception children have been spending £10 using a menu in Shirley's Bar. In Maths next week we will be looking at halves and quarters in different ways: 2D shapes, and quantities. We have also been enjoying activities in the garden in the fine weather, including exploring the properties of the sand and water. Louella's kite-making stimulated others to make these, and we will be exploring different shapes of kites next week.

AIRE SUPERSTAR is Louella, for resourcefulness in planning and making her own kite, then kindness in sharing her idea with others.

BRISONS CLASS - In Literacy this week the children have really been concentrating on the setting of their stories to draw the reader in. They have been using adjectives, adverbs and powerful verbs to make their writing interesting. In Maths we have been adding and subtracting and solving word problems. The children have been really careful with their written workings. In Science the children have been learning about Marie Curie, bones and x-rays. They learnt about the bones in our hand and created x-ray images using cotton buds. In DT the children have been learning about kites and have created their own designs. They have made model kites to help them decide which kite shape is the most successful.

We have been thinking about different virtues and trying to practise these in the school day. In our topic work we have been learning about rivers and seas in the UK. We're really looking forward to our St Michaels Mount trip next week to expand on our story writing, topic work and Cornish Heritage learning.

BRISONS SUPERSTAR is Connie for her excellent effort in her work this week, super presentation, being reflective and striving to do extra!

COWLOE CLASS - In Cowloe this week we have been learning about using adverbs of possibility to add detail to our verbs. We have been creating a creature and using our knowledge of similes and metaphors to describe them. In Maths this week we have been practising adding and subtracting 4 digit number using the compact column method. We have also been multiplying and dividing. With division we have been learning how to show the answers with a remainder as a fraction or decimal. In the afternoons we have been using our literacy skills and targets to write about the Shang Dynasty. We have also been learning about the virtues in PSHE, thinking about what virtues we find very easy to access and which virtues we have to work a bit harder to show.

COWLOE SUPERSTAR is Dylan for showing excellent focus and independence within maths, completing his work accurately and using the inverse to check his accuracy.

LYONESSE CLASS - This week in Lyonesse class we have been continuing with our focus on writing. The children have written reports about the learning behaviour at Sennen School; they are fantastic. In creating them they have not only demonstrated their excellent writing skills but the depth of their understanding about the core skills for learning. What has been equally impressive is their use of more complex punctuation and language to make their points clearly. I would like to get some of their work on the school website to let visitors know more about Sennen School. Their second piece of writing has been about an amazing survival story. They watched

the beginning of the documentary, 'Touching the void', then used this to write the rest of the story, knowing only that an accident happens. It was great to see the children so excited and enthused about their writing. Mrs. Thomas has also been working with the children to develop their understanding of simile and metaphor and how to use this in their writing. There are lots of exciting things happening next week: Sports Day; The Minack; a morning outing to Bosavern Community Farm to study bees; an art workshop on local saints with Vanda our Vicar and maths investigations.

LYONESSE SUPERSTAR is Dakota for showing great teamwork in organising tennis club at lunchtime as well as creativity and flair in her writing.

The winning house is Vellandreath with 888 house points, Gwynver had 880 and Maen 814. Connie and Grace had the most points in Vellandreath, Joseph in Gwynver and Tommy in Maen - well done everyone!

WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK?

MON 19th June -	4.30 - 6pm Open Evening
TUES 20th -	Guitar lessons in the morning 1pm Sports Day, all welcome
WED 21st -	3.15 Scratch Club
THURS 22nd -	Years 2/3/4/5 St Michaels Mount Trip
	Year 6's Bosavern Farm visit in the morning
	3.15 Gardening Club 3.15 Last Beach Club No Cricket Club tonight
FRI 23rd -	12.30 Minack Trip to see The Emperor's New Clothes