

SENNEN SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Spring Term Number 9

ATTENDANCE: YEAR R & 1 92.2%
YEAR 2 & 3 100%
YEAR 4 & 5 99.6%
YEAR 6 100%

AIRE CLASS - This week the children have enjoyed watching a Shaun the Sheep video, using it to learn about the structure of stories, and as a stimulus for writing. Next week, we will use stills from the film to explore the feelings of different characters and start to make some films of our own. We will shortly be making a visit to the Shaun the Sheep Experience at Land's End, in order to find out more about how these films are made. In Maths, we have been exploring number sequences and developing an understanding of the values of different coins. Next week, we will be doing some number-puzzles, looking at adding and subtracting in different contexts. Yesterday, the children enjoyed the workshop with Daya, dressing-up and doing some fantastic dancing. The cooking was great too, with lots of the children tasting new foods.

AIRE SUPERSTAR is Hal, for showing great but controlled enthusiasm for the Shaun the Sheep work, and making a very clear storyboard that helped other children to understand the structure of the story - reflective work, Hal!

BRISONS CLASS - In Brisons this week we have been exploring senses poetry. We have been thinking about sense of touch and writing alliterative poetry. We have been playing with similes and writing poems on different tastes. In Maths we have been dividing and multiplying along with using teamwork to solve problems. In our topic work we have been learning about earthquakes. In Science the children have been learning about different invertebrate groups and we have been searching for different micro habitats in school. The children are progressing wonderfully in swimming and are thoroughly enjoying their cricket lessons with Roger. We had a joyful day on Thursday with Daya learning about Sikhism. The children got to dress up in beautiful Indian clothes, learn different dances and cook delicious food which they all tried! Next week we will be preparing our outside area,

hopefully planting seeds to attract bees in the village and writing instructions.

BRISONS SUPERSTAR is Jacob for his resilience and improved concentration in lessons, along with settling into his work beautifully in the mornings.

COWLOE CLASS - This week in Cowloe we have been broadening our understanding of place value and rounding. We have been learning to be resourceful when tackling challenges, remembering always to think about what we already know before trying to find the answer to a challenge. In Literacy we have been learning to use our targets effectively when we write stories. We have also been learning how to use colons in a sentence remembering De:De (Description:Detail) to help us structure it. In the afternoons we have been learning about mummification in the Ancient Egyptian times. We have also been furthering our understanding about natural selection and important people in science (Mary Anning, Charles Darwin, Alfred Wallace). **COWLOE SUPERSTAR** is Jasmine R. for not only always being a ray of sunshine in Cowloe class, caring for her classmates, helping them and being positive, she is also a fantastic sportsperson. She always cheers people on no matter what team they are on and is always ready to learn more.

LYONESSE CLASS - This week in Lyonesse the children have very much set the agenda as to the topics we have covered. Using the practice tests they did last week they have identified areas of Maths and Literacy that they wanted to cover to feel more prepared for SATS. These have included: prepositions, determiners, past and present progressive tense, roman numerals, rounding and finding missing angles. They have also continued to work very hard on the spelling lists given for homework and marks on tests continue to improve. In Literacy with Mrs. Thomas, the children have been using books about environmental issues to inspire some persuasive writing, as they write letters to tourists coming to Sennen in the summer. In all these topics the children have shown great levels of reflectiveness, by making connections to previous

work and considering their approach to allow them to recall the information they require to solve a problem. Thank you for all your support for your children's homework tasks this week, any areas the children have found tricky will be followed up in class. LYONESSE SUPERSTAR is Jack for not only reflecting carefully on the best way to find an answer, but also explaining his reasoning very eloquently.

The winning house is Maen with 857 house points, Gwynver had 850 and Vellandreath 721. Jago H. and Logan had the most points for Maen, Martha for Gwynver and Grace for Vellandreath - well done everyone!

WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK?

MON 20th March -

TUES 21st - Online Safety Day (separate letter with details)

Guitar lessons

NO BADMINTON CLUB

NO TAG RUGBY CLUB

4pm Football match at Mousehole AFC

THURS 23rd -

School Council going to the finals of 'Think Big' competition

3.15 Scratch Club

3.15 Games Club (Yr 1 up)

FRI 24th -

RED NOSE DAY - wear something red, funny hair, donate £1. Talent shows individual performances in classrooms and the best two acts will share their performances.

1.20 Yrs 2/3/4 Swimming

SCHOOL COUNCIL we wish them luck in the finals of the 'Think Big' competition on Thursday. If they win they receive £500 to spend towards their idea of buying Ukuleles for the school.

KS2 PORTHPEAN CAMP PAYMENTS please note that payments can be made in instalments for the camp should you so wish.

SLEEPING BEAUTY performed by Duchy Ballet at the Hall for Cornwall today, Friday 17th March, 2pm & 7.30pm and Saturday 18th March 2pm & 7.30pm to find out more visit www.duchyballet.co.uk