

SENNEN SCHOOL

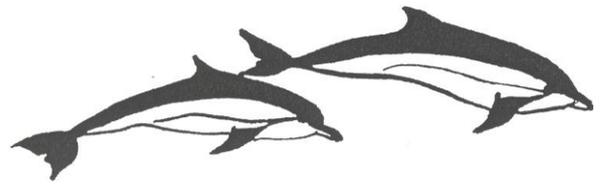
NEWSLETTER

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ATTENDANCE: YEAR R & 1	90.9%
YEAR 2 & 3	95.2%
YEAR 4 & 5	85.8%
YEAR 6	92.9%

AIRE CLASS - We have been enjoying the better weather in the garden this week, with some writing activities linked to the mud-kitchen. The children have made their own plans about how it should be organised, as well as some posters which will be laminated and displayed in the garden. In Maths, lots of the children have shown good resilience in making additions and subtractions in different ways: $9 = 7 + 2$; $7 = 9 - 2$, as well as the conventional way of writing these. By playing with the numbers, the children develop and deepen the understanding of calculation. Of course, we use maths apparatus and drawings too. Highlight of the week was possibly designing, making and eating our own scones for a little 'Cornish cream tea'. The inspiration for this came from one of the stories we looked at this half term. The children are also very enthusiastic about swimming, and we had a very enjoyable first session last Friday. Next term we will be learning about Islands, and there are some homework suggestions being sent home. We always enjoy the models, photos, books, posters and other art-work the children produce, and are very grateful for parents' help with these.

AIRE SUPERSTAR is Riley, for showing great reflectiveness and resilience in improving his work in both English and Maths. He has started to use his Learning Reviews really well independently to make improvements. Lots of great work produced in 'Own Learning' too.

BRISONS CLASS - The children have been completing end of term assessments this week along with Key Stage one SATs. Both year groups have shown such maturity and effort in completing these. In Literacy we have been writing our own descriptive poetry. We drew inspiration from 'The Door by Miroslav Holub.' We imagined what was behind a magic door. In Maths we have been revising fractions and greater than and less than. We finished off our

topic unit by learning about the modern Royal Family. We even wrote letters to the Queen about what we'd like to ask her. In PSHE we have been celebrating kindness and our differences, the children created some superb collages. In PE we've been enjoying going onto the field and practising some sports day events. In Science the Year 2's completed their cress experiment drawing together what plants need to grow and stay healthy. They have also been learning about the different parts of plants we eat and dissecting plant parts. The Year 3 and 4's concluded their sound topic by investigating which material would be best to sound proof a room. They also created their own musical instrument. A hardworking half term, I hope the children have a lovely break and well deserved rest next week.

BRISONS SUPERSTAR is Ford for his excellent effort and enthusiasm in lessons and improved resilient attitude towards his work.

COWLOE CLASS - In Cowloe this week we have been mastering the skills we have learnt this half term within Maths. We have been really thinking about what steps we need to take to get to an answer rather than expecting to know it straight away. This has helped us with our accuracy and our resilience within Maths. In Literacy we have been also showing great resilience in completing reading, SPAG and spelling tests. We have been reflective by looking through them afterwards and seeing what we need to change or improve. In the afternoons we have been enjoying the sun while playing rounders, ensuring we understand the rules, and we are beginning to be thoughtful with our tactics. We have also been researching different areas of the Shang Dynasty in preparation for long writing piece after half term. **COWLOE SUPERSTAR** is Jasmine W for being incredibly resourceful within Maths remembering to use what she knows to unpick the challenge.

LYONESSE CLASS - This week in Lyonesse class the children have been creating their own fantasy world stories. We studied a range of fantasy stories and focused particularly on the point at which the

real world and the fantasy world meet. This required careful planning and a gradual introduction of changes to the setting that would make the reader wonder what was happening, creating intrigue and a desire to keep reading. The worlds created include: children with magical and time travelling powers; characters who enter an alternate world where the forces of good and evil do battle in the form of animals; submarine adventures and cats with neon-blue eyes. The children have also done an amazing job of varying their sentence types; then punctuating this wide variety accurately. They have included: parenthesis, prepositional phrases, adverbials and passive sentences. They will be on display in the classroom after half term so please come and have a look. LYONESSE SUPERSTAR is Grace for reflecting very carefully on the purpose of her writing, making her story complex and effective.

The winning house is Maen with 1491 house points, Gwynver had 1393 and Vellandreath 1283. Harrison had the most points for Maen, Sylvie for Gwynver and Jasmine W. for Vellandreath - well done everyone!

WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK?

MON 5th June - STAFF TRAINING DAY

TUES 6th - CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL

Ice cream for Pudding today,

change to the menu

Guitar lessons

WED 7th - School Camp Yrs 4/5/6 Photo consent form deadline

3.15 Scratch Club

THURS 8th - 1 - 3 Cricket for Brisons & Cowloe (please ensure they have their PE Kit in school)

3.15 Cricket After School Club

3.15 Beach Club

3.15 Gardening Club

FRI 9th - 1.20 Reception & Year 1 Swimming

TUFF-ENUFF ON SATURDAY 27TH MAY

For all of those that signed up - registration must be done by 2.30pm for 3.30pm start (allow enough time as there is likely to be queues). All spectators get to watch for free. There will be trade stands as well as food and refreshments, along with bouncy castle, beer tent and music playing. Make sure you bring along a change of clothing, a towel and a drink (water will be provided on the day while running the course). **There is a charge for parking of £3 per car.**

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