

# SENNEN SCHOOL

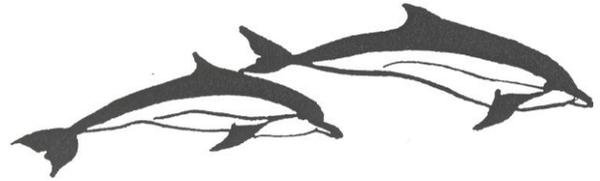
## NEWSLETTER

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**ATTENDANCE: YEAR R & 1 93.9%**  
**YEAR 2 & 3 97.6%**  
**YEAR 4 & 5 98.5%**  
**YEAR 6 97.1%**

**AIRE CLASS** - This week the children have been enjoying two stories about a lion and a mouse. One of them has been used by the whole school to develop their understanding of learning skills, and then we looked at the traditional lion and mouse story. The children have produced some amazing art-work inspired by this theme, as well as using the stories to develop writing opportunities. We have also been working on finishing the Superworm stories. In Maths, we have been developing different strategies to support subtraction. On Thursday, the class enjoyed a reading session with the Year 5 and 6 children, while parents attended the Marvellous Maths presentation. There is a lot to think about when considering the Maths curriculum, so please come and find out more if you wish. Individual children's progress will be able to be discussed at the Parent / Teacher consultations weeks beginning 27<sup>th</sup> February and 6<sup>th</sup> March - please sign up for these after the half-term break. If you have any empty, clean 2 litre plastic drink bottles we would be grateful for these to use in an activity next half term.

**AIRE SUPERSTAR** is Ethan C, for wonderful team-work at home, resulting in good learning in reading and phonics and also some interesting pieces of homework.

**BRISONS CLASS** - On Tuesday we visited Truro Museum to explore and learn more about our topic Ancient Egypt. The children held real artefacts, saw a mummified priest and took part in a judgement ceremony. It was a wonderful day and it really enriched their learning in this area. The staff at the museum commented on how well behaved the children were. They were an absolute delight to take on a trip and represented Sennen School superbly. The children have written great recounts about the day in their Big Write. In Maths this week we have been dividing and finding fractions of amounts. We have

also been completing Maths and Reading rising stars assessments. The children have completed their Science topics this half term by creating their own switches and creating art with bottle tops. They hope this will highlight the importance of recycling, reusing and reducing waste. I hope the children have a well deserved and restful break. Please keep up with the reading over the holidays and continue adding to the wonderful social skills homework that has been coming into school.

**BRISONS SUPERSTAR** is Caitlin for her improved concentration, resilience and effort in lessons.

*Finally I would like to share some exciting news with you all. I am expecting a baby in July. I plan to work as long as possible and I am looking forward to a successful Spring and Summer term.*

**COWLOE CLASS** - This week in Cowloe we have been learning to use the skills we have learnt in Maths in a variety of ways, identifying when we need to use which operation and which method would be best suited. In Literacy we have been reading and identifying if a piece of text is a reliable source of information or not by thinking about the quotes used, who wrote it and if it is bias or balanced. In our topic work we have been creating a landscape of the River Nile to show how it would have been used during Ancient Egypt. We have also been designing and drawing our own death masks in the style of the Ancient Egyptians.

**COWLOE SUPERSTAR** is Macey for great determination in her Maths.

**LYONESSE CLASS** - This week in Lyonesse class we have been creating poetry inspired by the classic poems we have been analysing in Literacy. We identified the variety of methods that the poets used to engage the reader and generate emotional responses. These included: expanded noun phrases, powerful verb choices, simile, metaphor, rhyme and repetition. Using these, the children have written their own poems using metaphor and simile to describe the four core emotions of anger, happiness, sadness and fear. We liked how in our class

book 'Framed' the characters reflected on their feelings after seeing famous works of art and we wanted to have the same affect on the readers of our poems. In Maths we took our learning about algebra further by using the Nth term to describe sequences. This week the children have also completed their Rising Stars progress tests and have done marvellously. The most impressive thing about watching the children complete them was witnessing their conscientious and reflective approach; they checked answers, tested ideas and showed bags of determination. Everyone has worked incredibly hard this half term and deserves their break. Well done Lyonesse!

LYONESSE SUPERSTAR is Tommy for showing all our core learning behaviours this week, in particular reflectiveness to help him check his answers.

The winning house is Maen with 671 house points, Gwynver had 668 and Vellandreath had 630. Freya had the most points for Maen, Skye for Gwynver and Oliver and Summer for Vellandreath - well done everyone!

#### WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK?

**MON 20<sup>th</sup> Feb - INSET DAY**  
**TUES 21<sup>st</sup> Feb - Children return to school**  
Guitar lessons  
3.15 Tag Rugby (Yr 4 up)  
**NOW ON TUESDAYS** due to cricket club on Thursday  
3.15 Badminton Club (Yr's 2 & 3)  
**NO HI 5 CLUB**  
3.15 Porthpean camp meeting  
**WED 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb - 3.30 - 4.15 Stay and Play**  
'Transition Club' starts for the new Reception children  
**THURS 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb- 3.15 Cricket Club starts**  
(Yr 2 up)  
3.15 Scratch Club  
3.15 Games Club (Yr 1 up)  
**FRI 24<sup>th</sup> Feb - 1.20 Years 2/3/4 Swimming**

#### Land's End Benefice Lent Course

Monday evenings, 7.30pm - 9.15pm

27<sup>th</sup> Feb, St Buryan Village Hall

6<sup>th</sup> Mar, Sennen Churchtown Hall

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Don't forget that we are taking part in the Bag 2 School scheme and all filled bags need to be returned to school by the 1<sup>st</sup> of March.