

Together with Love, we can Inspire, Discover and Thrive Newsletter 13/11/2020

MESSAGE FROM MISS KENNEDY

As you know the on the 27th November, we will have a school inset day. This has been brought forward from the 1st of April. At Grampound Road the teachers will be using the time to determine the best way to spend their catch-up funding. In mainstream primary schools from reception to year 6 we will receive £80 per pupil. School leaders must be able to account for how the funding is being used in line with the goal of getting education back on track as quickly as possible. The grant will only be available for the 2020/2021 academic year and should be used to fund specific activities to support pupils catching up on lost teaching during lockdown. The funding will be spent on tuition, resources, and subscriptions. We have assessed the children's baseline levels and we are planning the support programme. It takes time to research learning programmes, for example Miss Hosking is trialing the programme Nessy, Nessy programs are designed to help students of all abilities learn to read, write, spell and type. Once our research is completed, we will complete our catch-up funding report. All the children will benefit, some will have additional tuition, some will benefit from additional resources or programmes. Although Schools knew the money was coming in September, we didn't know how the lockdown had affected children in the Summer. We knew it was important to ease the children back into school and it has taken time to assess their academic levels and to understand their emotional needs. We have noticed that some children have lower academic levels than before lockdown and many have found it difficult to focus for longer periods. This is understandable and an unfortunate casualty from lockdown. Our aim is that the funding will make a difference, this needs to be measurable. The children will be assessed at the end of the programme and this will give us the evidence to show that the catch-up funding has been well spent.

This week we have had a higher level of staff sickness than normal, but we have managed to cover all classes. I feel keeping all classes open is the best way we can support the children and families. Closing a bubble would be a last resort. If there was a positive case of the virus we would have to close a bubble, but so far so good. I can confirm that we are Covid clear and no one from our school community has tested positive for the virus.

Fundraising- Grampound Road typically participates in many fundraising events for the school and for charities over the course of a year. If we are hosting an event and if it involves for example children dressing up, we want all children to be involved. If parents can donate that is great, but not everyone can afford to donate and no one should feel that their child will be disadvantaged. All children can join in with all events regardless of donations which are anonymous. We love to see homemade costumes, the more imaginative the better!

Have a wonderful weekend.



Staff News

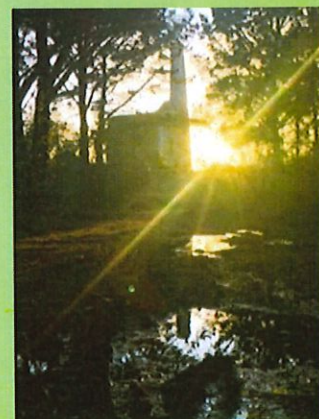
Hello everyone.

Since moving to Redruth (18 months ago) I have become accustomed to tin mines being part of the local landscape. Incredibly, there were around two thousand working tin mines when Cornwall was a world leader in tin production. Cheaper foreign production has seen all Cornish production cease, however their legacy lives on. My terraced home is an old mining house where miners would have lived - hopefully there isn't a mineshaft below!!!

For cycling enthusiasts, The Great Flat Lode is an ex mining 'mineral vein' that is now a cycling trail.

Here is a picture of a mine near United Downs.

Mr Jory





We have had a wonderful week in Pendeen class. We have been busy learning about the Hindu celebration of Diwali, the Festival of Lights. The children have made diya lamps from clay and have painted them in bright colours and decorated them with sequins. In literacy this week we looked at the story of Diwali. The children were then able to put the pictures of the story into order and we looked at labelling them together. The children were then given a picture of their diya lamp and were able to add their own labels to them. On Wednesday the children were given the opportunity to try some Diwali food. Most of the children had a try and the majority enjoyed it.. We have been looking at rangoli patterns and the children have had a go and making their own rangoli designs using chalk, dried lentils, rice and pasta. All of the children really enjoyed this and did a brilliant job.

Just a quick reminder if you haven't already signed up to ClassDojo please do, this gives us another way to communicate with you and share relevant information and pictures. If you have not received a message asking you to sign up please see a member of the EYFS team on the gate and we will be more than happy to chase it up for you. Thank you Pendeen for a lovely week, have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Wilton, Miss Kennedy and Miss Buckley



Trevose

This week in Trevose we have been busy learning about the Great Fire of London. We have also learnt about the significance of the poppy and we made our own poppies for Remembrance Day. We reflected on who we remember and why we remember them.

We have also enjoyed exploring outside and finding living and non-living things as part of our Science topic. Then we sorted the things we found into the correct categories.

Well done for a good week, Trevose.



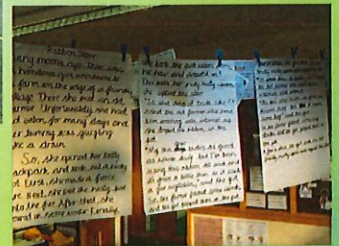
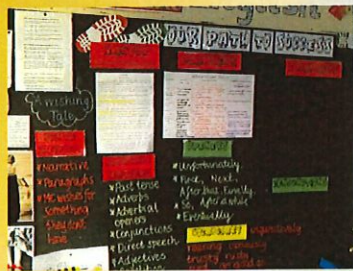
Class News

Happy birthday
this week to
Fletcher

Tater Du

We have had a busy week writing new Wishing Tales and practising our column addition in Maths. There has been many birthdays too: you are all growing up too fast! We are really enjoying using the Purple Mash to explore Coding. We've had ticking clocks, disappearing rabbits, fireworks and flying superheroes on our screens this week. You can do all the activities at home too! We have been learning how to defend in P.E. and are thankful the sun shone on Thursday afternoon!

Children in Need Day was fun and we had a go at some Pudsey Maths activities. Have a lovely weekend.



JOKE OF THE WEEK

DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE WOODEN CAR?

IT WOODEN START!!!!!!!!!!

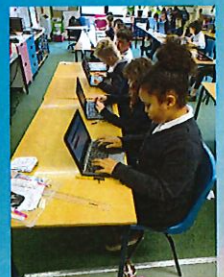
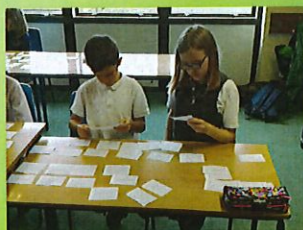


Wolf Rock

Happy birthday
To Jessica

Was World War I to blame for World War II? What was Edison's best invention? Why is a 2v1 in a game advantageous to the attacking side? These are just an example of the many questions asked this week. In History, we have compared life in the 1930s to that of 2020 and investigated the reasons leading to the start of World War 2. Be SMART was the message in ICT and the characteristics of effective leadership were identified in RE.

It has been so rewarding to see the children work incredibly hard to grasp multiplication and if the same focus, grit and determination can be applied in our suspense-writing unit, I will be in for a treat reading the finished stories. Wolf Rockers, I would like to thank you for a wonderful week. You are a magnificent bunch and I have had lots of positive messages from staff this week to reinforce this.



Each week the teacher will choose a Star of The Week, Values Person and Whole class achievement.



STARS OF THE WEEK



Class Name	Star of the week	Values "Compassion"	Whole Class
★ P E N D E E N	Freddie for working so hard to create some beautiful handwriting.	Chace for always being kind and friendly to children and adults.	For showing such enthusiasm to your learning. Fantastic work everyone!
★ T R E V O S E	Alfred for an amazing attitude to learning and fantastic focus on his handwriting this term. Fred has worked so hard to join his letters and apply this to all his writing and his presentation is beautiful!	Harrison for listening to others with thought and care showing Compassion.	For being on task and working very hard all week. Fantastic effort well done everyone!
★ T A T E R D U	Emily for her amazing effort in her writing and Maths tasks this week.	Noah HW for his Compassion towards others and including children in his playtime games.	For their incredible perseverance when writing their stories and being respectful on Armistice Day. Well Done everyone!
★ W O L F R O C K	Oscar for having a superb week, all round.	Eliza for showing kindness and compassion by always being around to offer support to others.	For really trying to use vivid description and special vocabulary when writing. Well done everyone!

case can we remind parents/careers of the following information.

Reminder of drop off and pick up times: (younger siblings will follow the times for the oldest child)

Pendeen 8.30 am – 3.00pm

Trevoise 8.40am – 3.10pm

Reminder for children to have a pair of PE trainers left in school, a drinks bottle and coat (all labelled please)

Tater Du 8.50am – 3.20pm

Wolf Rock 9.00am – 3.30pm



PE Sessions:

Monday – Pendeen, Thursday Trevoise and Tater Du, Friday – Wolf Rock (children to come to school in PE kit on their set day)

Lunches: Please order and pay (when applicable) via parentpay - we cannot add on forgotten orders.

Wraparound: Please book and pay in advance via parentpay—we cannot accept any children that have not been pre booked, thank you.

ATTENDANCE

For week beginning 2nd November 2020

PENDEEN 95.3 %

TREVOISE 100 %

TATER DU 95.4 %

WOLFROCK 99.5 %



If your child is going to absent or late in due to an appointment, please call the school office on 01726 882646 by 9am or email

grampoundroad.secretary@celticcross.education

How to contact us:

The office is open Monday-Friday 8.30am-3.30pm

Outside these hours, please leave a message on the answer machine or email

grampoundroad.secretary@celticcross.education. We will endeavour to answer your emails during office hours.



Contact the class teachers through dojo or if you would like to speak to the class teacher or head of school please call to make an appointment. Dismissing pupils at the end of the day is a very busy time, if you would like to discuss something in detail please call the office between the above hours and we will pass the message onto the teacher. We thank you for your patience and understanding.

Monday 21st Dec—Friday 1st Jan 2021 Xmas holidays

INSET DAY HAS CHANGED FROM THURSDAY 1ST APRIL 2021 TO FRIDAY 27TH NOVEMBER 2020



BBC CHILDREN IN NEED DAY

Donations through the following link

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=1609>

SCHOOL

DINNERS

GREAT NEWS!

HOT DINNERS
ARE BACK

Hot meals are on the Menu

Menus have been uploaded to the Website and Meal choices have been added to Parent Pay for you to book and order in advance.

Please ensure you book as we cannot make extra meals on the day. Thank you.



XMAS LUNCH

WEDNESDAY 16TH DECEMBER 2020

PLEASE CAN YOU BOOK FOR XMAS LUNCH AS SOON AS POSSIBLE VIA PARENTPAY.

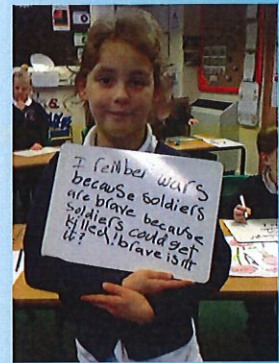
OPTIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

MAIN COURSE—ROAST TURKEY/QUORN OR JACKET POTATO
PUDDINGS— XMAS BISCUIT OR FRESH FRUIT.

ORDERS MUST BE IN FOR FRIDAY 27TH NOVEMBER DUE TO CATERING
THANK YOU.



Some great work done by
pupils in Trevoise Class



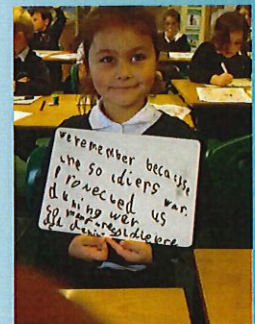
In Flanders Fields

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

By John McCrae



Lest we forget



Remembering and
honoring our heroes



The internet is a brilliant place to learn and explore,
just remember to always be SMART!



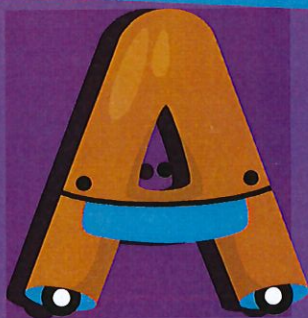
IS FOR SAFE

Never give out personal information to strangers on the internet. Personal information includes things like your home address and your birthday.



IS FOR MEET

Never ever meet up with a stranger you have met online unless a parent or guardian has said it is ok and is present. Never, never, never, never, never.



IS FOR ACCEPTING

Don't open emails from people you don't know, they could contain viruses. If you get a strange email from a friend and you think they might have a virus make sure you let them know!



IS FOR RELIABLE

Don't believe everything you read online, check your facts! Did you read it on a reliable website like the BBC? Are other websites saying the same thing? Does it tell you where they got the information from?



IS FOR TELL

If you have an online safety problem, make sure you tell someone. Tell a parent, guardian, or teacher as soon you can.