

Grampound Road Village C of E School

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Nurturing God's gift with compassion and drive so that all our children succeed, learn and thrive.

Compassion, wisdom, forgiveness, perseverance, trust and respect. Newsletter 5/06/2020

MESSAGE FROM MISS KENNEDY



The re-opening of Grampound Road School has been undertaken carefully and sensibly. Each day pupil numbers rose steadily giving the staff and children time to learn the new

regulations that we need to establish social distancing. We have three bubbles in operation and a fourth bubble prepared for key worker children. Every bubble can operate in isolation with access to their own toilets and sinks and outside area. We have followed the government guidelines and put everything in place to make the school as safe as possible. Unfortunately we cannot guarantee complete social distancing, nor can we eliminate every risk. I would like to thank the staff for their resilient attitude and dedication into making sure the school opening was successful. If you do not feel the time is right to bring your child into school please know that we respect your decision, we will be here when you are ready, but our numbers cannot go above sixty pupils, fifteen per bubble. Home learning will continue and the teachers will provide feedback through Dojos and Purple Mash.

It is important to mention that some people have worked throughout the lockdown and their children have been in school most days, but for others it is a tiptoe back into a new reality. We will provide emotional support for the children in our care and we hope that they will enjoy coming back to school. Our aim is to make it fun with plenty of outside learning.

I would like to add that it feels wonderful to be back in school and it is a privilege to support the families as we ease ourselves out of lockdown.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact us: grampoundroad.secretary@celticcross.educaition

Sarah Kennedy

Staff News

Whilst gardening during half term, I disturbed a nest of mice that had set up home in amongst a pile of turf and soil. Here is mummy mouse returning to collect her baby and carry it to safety. (No mice were harmed during my gardening efforts). Mr Salway





Please can we remind parents/carers of the following information: Reminder of drop off and pick up times:

Pendeen 9.00am-2.30pm Mon.-Thur. 9.00am-12.00pm Fri. Trevose 9.15am-2.45pm Mon.-Thurs. 9.15am-12.15pm Fri. Wolf Rock 9.30am-3.00pm Mon.-Thurs. 9.30am-12.30pm Fri. Key worker children 8.45am-3.15pm Mon.-Fri. Friday Lunches for non-key worker children On Friday the school will be closing at lunchtime for non-key worker children, please do not send a pack lunch on Friday for those children, the children leaving at lunchtime will have lunch at home. Part time places Unfortunately, we will not be offering part time places for children in Year reception, year 1, year 6 or key worker children.

WE NEED YOU!

We would love to hear from you all about the things you are doing at home to keep busy, please contact us with ideas so we can share with other families, send pictures of your home-learning/activities or doing something fun that you would like to share with your friends and that we can include in our Newsletter. Remember you can communicate with our teachers via Class Dojo and if you have any photos to share or would like to get in touch please email: grampoundroad.secretary@celticcross.education

Class News

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Dear Wolf Rockers,

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Many thanks for your messages and pictures during the past fortnight – I really do enjoy hearing all about your efforts and endeavours. Wasn't the weather during the half term break gorgeous? I sincerely hope you managed to get out, visit a beach and enjoy the sun. I spent a lot of time in the garden taking up turf to create new flower beds ready for planting. The garden has not been touched since the house was built so it is proving really hard work however I am a big believer in Growth Mindset and can now see my hard work beginning to pay off. It has been great to see your Growth Mindset evolve during the year —especially when working on Times Tables recall. I can tell you are delighted by your results from the messages you leave and this is down to your hard work. The adults in class are really looking forward to seeing you return this week. It's been a long time. Mr Salway :)



JOKE OF THE WEEK: SURELY EVERY CAR IS A PEOPLE CARRIER?

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I hope you all had a gorgeous half term break in the sun. My strawberries are ripening in my garden, and my son was delighted to receive a couple of raspberry plants from Mr Salway. That'll be my breakfasts sorted later this month! We're going to be learning about "The Deep Blue Sea" this half term and some children are already sending me incredible pieces of writing and work about why the sea is blue and information about sharks. We're writing stories based around mysterious sea creatures and continuing our Fractions and Decimals work in Maths. We're also thinking about different places around the world this week. Maybe you've been learning some new dances.

Our photographs are of Jake's shark information poster, Martha's Swiss fondue and Abi's Dinosaur Park. Despite being back in school and busy in Pendeen Class, it's not the same without you and we all really miss you and hope to see you soon. ① x Miss Hosking



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CATCH IT.

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KILL IT.

Class News



Hello! I hope everyone had a brilliant half term and enjoyed the amazing weather that we had. It's been great to see everyone making the most of the sunshine! I even made it in the sea for the first time this year!

This week it has been lovely to be back in school in our Trevose Bubble! It has been wonderful to see some of our class back in school and I have missed them all very much. We have been spending lots of time outside, getting creative and learning a new song which we have shared on the website. We have spent time getting used to being back in the classroom and the changes around school and it is amazing to see how resilient the children are in adapting to this. I have been so proud of them all for getting stuck in and leaving each day with big smiles on their faces.

Whilst we have been at school, Trevose have also been busy at home learning about the human body, labelling the main body parts. We have also drawn a map of Grampound Road as part of our topic this half term; History Detectives. Take a look at some of the photos of us at school and at home! I miss you all. Take care, Miss Eastham x

Alice visited Trevose Lighthouse, Carter made a brilliant map of Grampound Road and Maisie's labelled body!













We welcomed back our first children into Pendeen Class this week and it's been so lovely getting to know them. We've looked for things that are the same and different in our classroom environment and have enjoyed lots of construction and physical activities in our fabulous outdoor space. Many thanks to Miss Bulley, Mr Jory, Mrs Wilton, Mr Webb and Lia for helping to make our learning areas sparkle! So far this week we've been to another solar system on Thomas' rocket obstacle course, to watch penguins in the South Pole on the pirate ship, and inside the back of a television! Thomas explored shadows outside with Mrs Wilton and Hugo had a smashing time with the cars! It's been fantastic working with the younger children again and we can't wait for lots more new adventures together! Take care everyone. Miss Hosking and Mrs Wilton \bigcirc



THE GALLERY

POETS CORNER

Here are some of our Hunger poems containing personification: by Heidi, Amelie and Sam H



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Hunger

Hurrying to get food first

Using excuses to get food

Not eaten

Grateful for what they have

Emptiness in the stomach

Restlessly searching for food

Hunger is fierce. Hunger is strong. It makes tummy rumble And insides shake, A miny earthquake.

Hunger is beaten When you have eaten. Is that to much to be asked? What the task hunger cast.

Hunger is a dark shade of blue, Riggling, twisting, to and through. It's squirming and churning, Until you have finally driven it away, With food and drink. There hunger may lay, Until it's final say.

Hunger controls me when I'm tired. He makes me angry And sometimes I lose control.

Hunger

A hunger monster. It is an angry monster and it controls you.

Hunger is like the colour red because it makes me angry.

I feel happy after eating after being hungry for a long time. I love eating chocolate.

Hunger feels like pain in my tummy. It sounds like rumbles of thunder.

Hunger can control me. I get very grumpy and angry and stomp around like a big dinosaur.



Some great photos of the children enjoying their first week back at school



Every week Oak Academy are producing a collective worship which is available on: <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-gOKwgu5_g9Pm1YBMb5G_A</u>

This week's collective worship is joined by Olympic Bronze medallist, three times World Champion and six times European Champion gymnast Beth Tweddle who will be sharing her journey into the professional sport, I hope you are all able to tune and that you enjoy the service.

A lovely message for us all

Currently Truro Cathedral is closed but the clergy are continuing the cycle of prayer in services held at our homes. This morning we prayed for Grampound Road Village CofE School as it was included in the Diocesan Prayer Diary for today. We prayed for the school, for its work, staff, governors, students, families and all associated with the school. We prayed also for those associated with the school at this difficult time during the pandemic. Please be assured of our ongoing thoughts and prayers.

Best wishes, Simon Griffiths

(Canon Precentor)

Books needed for our School Library – If you have any of the following that you would like to donate, we would be delighted to accept them! Demon Teddy – N Allan This is the house that Jack built – S Taback The rich man and the shoemaker- B Wildsmith The three sillies – T Ross The sulky vulture – S Grindley Flabby Tabby – P Mckinley & B Treckentrap Seaside Poems – J Bennett & N Sharratt The Velveteen Rabbit – M Williams Slinky Malinki – L Dodd The king of tiny things – J Willis & G Millward

Dear All,

Sorry this took a bit longer than expected but here is my second collective worship: <u>https://youtu.be/rzXL3CPewj4</u> Again this is unlisted so is only accessible by following the link. I was really pleased to see how many watched the last one, very encouraging. With every blessing Rev'd Joachim Foot Team Rector of Probus,

Useful links for wellbeing and mental health:

• BBC Bitesize has top tips for looking after yourself and your whole family's mental health.



https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/znxyvk7

- There are free resources on Twinkl that can be ac cessed from the link below from Mindfulness tips to craft
- activities to relieve boredom and explore creativity.
- https://www.twinkl.co.uk/search
- Exercise is one of the five steps to wellbeing, you could combine physical activity with mindfulness and try

taking part in yoga lessons like Cosmic Yoga for children:

https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga

Arena have created a PE and Outdoor home learning YouTube channel to support children and parents:

