

Grampound Road Village C of E School

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MESSAGE FROM MISS KENNEDY

We've had a lovely week in school, with a ripple of joy in the air with the start of the afterschool clubs. The clubs are very popular, and it feels like another step along the way towards normality. Katie Bell enjoyed her dance clubs as much as the children. She was very impressed with the children and noted how excited they were to join her dance club which is full! The music teachers are also teaching private lessons in school, if you are interested, please contact the office.

We have had our allocation of 17 new starters for September 2021 now and have started to map out plans for the new children and their parents and carers to visit school later in the summer. We will be writing to the new families (and existing families with siblings due to start) in due course. We have a limited number of places for nursery in September, if you would like a place, please let the office know. Mrs Wilton is proving to be a very talented teacher in the EYFS, she is dedicated and has a passion for the early years. Also, we recently welcomed a delightful new pupil in Tater Du class.

A new parent support adviser has been appointed. Sarah Schofield will visit our children each Thursday to support them. Initially she will work alongside Lyn Bell to ensure a smooth handover.

Have a brilliant bank holiday weekend, hopefully we will get a couple of days of sunshine. Miss Kennedy

The staff and children would like to wish Mrs Tapson a very happy birthday for the 3rd May. We hope you have a lovely day.

STAFF NEWS



Over the Easter Break, we went to the Mevagissey harbour for a delicious ice-cream. Richard was overjoyed so was Oliwia. We also had a beach picnic with a fire and an amazing sunset in the background. great long weekend everyone; I hope we will have some nice, sunny weather 🔅

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Wolf Rock's Earth and Space journey continued this week. We explored the Lunar Cycle and identified what effect the sun has on the moon causing it to change shape. We watched a video showing what the surface of the moon would look like and hope to use Oreo biscuits next week to create our own Lunar Cycle. In Literacy, we are beginning to innovate our story by writing versions similar to David's Watch, our model text. We have identified many key features of the story and are now thinking about how to piece everything to gether to create our shared tale. It has been delightful getting back out on to the field to lead an After School Club this week and I am thrilled by the number of Rockers who have signed up to a club.

As always, I would like to thank Wolf Rock for your graft this week, Mr Jory for all his work behind the scenes and to Miss Mills for covering when I am not there. Have a super extended weekend, Mr S and Mr J 🙂



JOKE OF THE WEEK: Why did the M and M go to school?

Because it wanted to be a Smartie.....

Happy birthday to Layla-May who celebrates her 9th birthday on the 3rd May



We've had a great week learning about predators and discovered how prehistoric creatures' skeletons could tell us whether they were carnivorous

or herbivorous. We also ranked animals in order of their nutritional needs and compared the diets of wild and domesticated animals.

We have been finishing off our maths learning by using our knowledge to problem solve, including using measurements. Next week we will go on to look at time and money so it would be very helpful to have some real-life experiences of these at home!

We've been innovating our Little Red Riding Hood stories and learning about jumping in Athletics. It was great to see the enthusiasm about the clubs starting this week too. In PSHE, we talked about how to resolve fall outs with friends. Their discussions were really useful so let's hope it helps!

Have a fabulous long weekend!



Class News Trevose

This week in Trevose class we have been enjoying learning more about the weather! We have explored what the weather is like in different seasons and we used what we know about the weather in P.E. when we began to learn a dance with Miss Katie. We had so much fun! We have also been learning about the Beaufort scale and why it was invented! In Literacy this week, we have been enjoying learning our new story 'Dexter and the baby dragons' and we have been exploring the different characters in the text through drama and role-play. The children were fantastic at getting into character!



pendeen

We have had a lovely week in Pendeen class. We have been busy learning more about 2D and 3D shapes in our math work this week. In Literacy this week, we have been securing our knowledge of the story 'What the Ladybird Heard' by acting out parts of the story using masks and stick puppets. The children have enjoyed their PE lesson with Mr Webb and the first of their dance lessons with Miss Katie. For our topic work on 'Why do ladybirds have spots' the children have looked at how ants work together to move large items. The children then worked as a team to move items around our outdoor area. They even worked as a team to transport water down guttering together. The children have also been busy threading spider webs and making insect puppets. We hope that you have a lovely long weekend and look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday. Mrs Wilton, Miss Kennedy and Miss Buckley



A MESSAGE FROM MR JORY Forest School

In KS1 we have continued (and will continue) to discover spring, looking at the progression from buds to blossom or buds to leaves. You may be aware that Trevose have been busy growing sunflowers, as well as learning about the plant life cycle in science. Pendeen, Nurture and Forest School have also planted sunflower seeds and, as the photo shows, they are all coming along really well.

In KS2 we have completed another raised bed and sowed some carrots and dwarf pea seeds. Furthermore, you may have seen the willow branches in the ground at the front of school? The idea (or possibly Mr J's daft idea!) is to make some raised beds where, potentially, we can plant some of the sunflowers. Let's see if/how this progresses? \bigcirc













Weather report

Of course, the weather may hinder our plans. Interestingly, I heard recently that this April has been the frostiest for 60 years across the UK. We have also had the strong winds, so it's been quite unusual. Welcome rain and breezy appears to be the order for next week.

Bye for now. Miss Warne and Mr J.

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







Class Name	Star of the week	Values	Whole Class
		Forgiveness	
Р	Elwin	Morgan	To all the class for showing
E	for always doing	for being a good	good teamwork and always
N	the right thing	friend and being	looking out for each other.
D	and setting a	able to forgive when	A pleasure!
E	good example.		
E	Fantastic Elwin!	needed.	
N		Well done!	
Т	Esmae	Harley	To the whole class for a
R	for her excellent	for always showing	brilliant afternoon of
E	effort in Maths! I	honesty, compassion	dance with Miss Katie.
V	have been so	and forgiveness.	I was so impressed with
0	impressed with	He sets a brilliant	everyone's performance.
S	Esmae's	example to others!	Fantastic!
E	counting in 2s,5s	Super Harley!	
	and 10s.		
	Well done!		
т	Carter	Noah HW	To everyone in Tater Du
A	for his excellent	For always having	class for their thoughtful
Т	effort in	empathy and being	contributions during
E	extended writing	able to look for the	Collective Worship.
R	during Literacy	positives in every	Great effort everyone!
	this week.	Situation.	
D	Fantastic!	Well done!	
U	Phoenix		
W	You have been a	Ketsia	To all of Wolfrock
0	superstar this week	For forgiving another	for settling quickly at the
L	and have given	child following a	start of the day and
F	your best in	disagreement. Well done!	following free-time Great work!
R	Absolutely	vven done!	
O C	everything you do. Thank you!		
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ATTENDANCE

Expected average attendance for a child is 96.1%. Our attendance for last week was:

Pendeen:100 % Trevose: 99 % Tater Du: 96.5 % Wolfrock: 97.6 % H

CONGRATULATIONS TO PENDEEN CLASS WITH 100% ATTENDANCE

In accordance with our attendance policy we will be sending some children home with attendance letters during the term to help keep you informed of your child's attendance in line with the new RAG (red, amber, green system). Below are the band widths, as a reminder, if your child falls into one of these coloured bands a letter will be sent home.

GREEN Band 96% to 93% AMBER Band 93% to 90% RED Band Below 90% (PERSISTENT ABSENTEE) This is a government definition.

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.



Supporting young people , and their families, with positive mental health

We recognise that this time of national lockdown may be difficult for children and young people. How a child or young person reacts to being away from school, and their normal routine, may vary according to their age, understanding, their previous experience of lockdown and how they typically cope with stress. Addressing the mental health of your child, and those in your family, can be supported with some of the following resources:

Public Health England have produced the following set of guidance for parents and carers: <u>https://www.gov.uk/</u> <u>government/publications/covid-19-guidance-on-supporting-children-and-young-peoples-mental-health-and-</u> wellbeing

Every Mind Matters: A website that explores expert advice and practical tips to help you look after your mental health and wellbeing: https://www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/

May we remind you that, if you have concerns about your child's wellbeing, or the wellbeing or safeguarding of another pupil, please contact the school immediately on: Miss S Kennedy 01726 882646



Attendance La^{dder}

How close are you to reaching the top?

school days off each year

9 school day off each year

fi school days off each year 100%

98% -

96% -

95% -

94% -

90%

Perfection

Impressive

Good

Nearly The