

Grampound Road Village C of E School

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# Together with Love, we can Inspire, Discover and Thrive

5th March 2021

### **MESSAGE FROM MISS KENNEDY**

Only three sleeps until we can welcome all the children back to Grampound Road School. I hope the children are feeling happy to return, but equally I understand there may be some anxiety. Please feel assured that the teachers and teaching assistants (and of course Mrs Godwin and Mrs Wright) will do everything they can do make Monday a 'good day.' All the children will be greeted by myself, their teacher and the teaching assistant at the gate and time will be devoted to enable the children to socialise with one another and have a gentle transition back to school. Our focus will be on the emotional wellbeing of the children. If any of the children are feeling anxious, please let the teacher know and they will provide extra support.

The school looks great, all the staff have made an extra effort to prepare for the children, it feels like a special event! We have bought some new PE equipment that we think the children will enjoy, including golf, seated volleyball and a boules set. This term and in the Summer term there will be a mix of catch-up learning for those who need it and fun. Our aim is to make some good memories for the children and with that goal in mind, we have booked the Cornish Pirates, the dance workshop 'Stomp,' we are looking into a beach day for each class, a school sleepover and a KS2 play performance. Additionally, the teachers have all ordered new equipment for playtimes, it is so exciting, we have so much to look forward to, I cannot wait to see their faces when the teachers share all the ideas that we have been discussing. No doubt the children will also have some good ideas too.

There is a buzz of enthusiasm and joy in school, we hope that our partial school closure days are truly over!

# Induction Challenge of the week Challenge of the week Set by Mr. Salway Image: Set by Mr. Salway <t

# Class







### WHAT IS FORREST GUMP'S COMPUTER PASSWORD?



It's been another busy week in Tater Du and we're getting to grips with our new topic about the Ancient Greeks. We've looked at the physical and social geography of Greece and we've also been creating our own messages using the Greek alphabet! We've enjoyed getting outside for some PE and Forest School activities, and we all know the story of King Midas really well now ready for our innovations next week. The Y4s have been working brilliantly together to understand adding and subtracting fractions, and the Y3s have been looking at the perimeter of shapes. We loved dressing up for World Book Day on Thursday and had our final Google Meeting together too.

We're all really looking forward to welcoming you all back on Monday. Thank you to all the Tater Du team for preparing the classroom for their return. Have a lovely weekend. Miss Hosking











# Class News Trevose

In our last week of remote learning, we have been working hard in school and at home! This week we have been drawing our own comic strips and designing our own Traction Man costumes for our stories. We have been using adventurous vocabulary to describe our costumes and have even been using onomatopoeia in our writing!

We have also been learning about Florence Nightingale and finding out about what she did to help the soldiers in the war.

We had a great time dressing up for World Book Day and enjoyed sharing our favourite book in our class Google Meet on Thursday! Check out more photos on the Gallery Page.....

Have a look at some of our work from this week 🛈

We can't wait to see you all on Monday, have a fabulous weekend!

Miss Eastham and Mrs Warne x



Lilly made some gingerbread men after reading the story of the Gingerbread Man! Some great Comic strip's from Ruby, Grace, Lilly and Annabel









We have had an exciting week in Pendeen class. We have got some tadpoles in the classroom and have enjoyed looking at them and learning about them. We have enjoyed being dressed up for World Book Day and we have learnt a little bit about St Piran's day. In Literacy this week, we have been writing some of the story of The Three Little Pigs. In Maths, we have been focusing on money this week. We have looked at which coins we would use in our play shops when buying sweets or toys. For our topic work on animals, we have looked at our pets and have been discussing how to look after them. We have learnt some animal songs and played animal bingo. We have enjoyed having Mr Webb take us for PE and have been looking at our catching skills. We are really looking forward to welcoming all of the children back on Monday. Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Wilton, Miss Kennedy and Miss Buckley

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### A MESSAGE FROM MR JORY **Forest School**

Last week we made the most of the lovely weather by getting onto the field and doing an orienteering based exercise. Year Five had clues such as 'opposite south west' that took them in a north east direction to a station name that then had to be recorded. Year Six had similar compass related instructions, as well as clues relating to the number of degrees in a circle (e.g. opposite 90 degrees).

The challenge was to interpret the clues correctly so that all of the station names were recorded in the correct order. The enthusiasm shown, and ability to understand the clues, was a credit to all. Overall, it was fantastic to be outside having fun! Miss Warne & Mr Jorv.





### Weather Report

With last weekend being so beautiful it seemed that Spring had arrived but, of course, as it's only early March this was bit of a 'false dawn'. This weekend will, hopefully, be dry (albeit chilly), although I'm not certain how much sunshine there will be. As next week progresses it looks as

though it will become more unsettled with winds from a south west/westerly direction with some rain at times. Fingers crossed, there will



be some sunshine in-between.









We have a World Book Day token for each child. These will be given out week beginning 8th March when all children have returned to school.

EMERGENCY CONTACTS FOR PARENTS/CARERS

CAN WE PLEASE REMIND YOU TO KEEP THE SCHOOL

INFORMED OF UP-TO-DATE EMERGENCY CONTACTS AND ANY ADDITIONAL CONTACT DETAILS OF EXTENDED

FAMILY/TRUSTED ADULTS. THANK YOU

HEY EVERYONE....... COULD YOU PLEASE CHECK OUT THE FRIENDS OF GRAMPOUND ROAD SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE FOR SOMETHING MEL STEPHENS WOULD LOVE YOUR HELP WITH?????

His World Book Day. Thank you for all the love you have shown the book. It's an ongoing surprise, and I'm grateful to you.



### **ATTENDANCE**

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

### Pendeen: 70.4 % Trevose: 70.1 % Tater Du: 81.2 % Wolfrock: 80.4 %

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.

## Attendance Ladder

How close are you to reaching the top?



### 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

### Please can we remind parents/carers of the following DATES FOR YOUR DIARY information: As from 8th March 2021 (New times) see below **RED NOSE DAY –19TH MARCH** SCHOOL FUN RUN—TBC Drop off and pick up times: (younger siblings will follow the times for the oldest child) IF YOU REQUIRE WRAPAROUND CARE THIS **MUST BE BOOKED BY THE FRIDAY** Pendeen 9.00am—3.30 pm **LUNCHTIME THE WEEK PRIOR FOR US TO HAVE THE NECESSARY** Trevose 8.50am - 3.20pm **STAFF ON SITE.** Tater Du 8.40am - 3.10pm THIS NEEDS TO BE BOOKED VIA PARENTPAY IN ADVANCE. Wolf Rock 8.30am – 3.00pm LUNCHES MUST BE BOOKED VIA Reminder for children to have a pair of PE trainers left in school, a drinks bottle **PARENTPAY IN ADVANCE.** and coat (all labelled please)

THURSDAY 1ST APRIL IS NO LONGER AN INSET DAY SCHOOL IS OPEN

PE sessions We will send you out a text on Monday to confirm what days.