

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

3rd December 2021



### MESSAGE FROM MISS KENNEDY



It is a lovely time a year to be in school with all the Christmas joy and festivities. The children and staff are very excited about Christmas this year.

The children from Pendeen and Trevoise have been busy practising for their Nativity this week. Their singing is just lovely. We have no cases of Covid in school and we would like to host the event. We will contact parents next week with a more detailed plan for the nativity and for the KS2 carol service.

Covid symptoms-Please can parents continue to support the school and not bring children into school if they have symptoms of Covid, we recommend that a PCR test is taken if anyone displays any of the symptoms.

Staff vacancies-We are currently advertising for a 1:1 teaching assistant position for 3 days per week. Please see the Celtic Cross Education website for details if you are interested in applying.

Polite reminder-please do not let the children climb on the trees or the statue at the front of school. Can you ensure your child waits with the adults until you leave the site.



### Head of School Stars of the week



**Pupil Star of the week** **Noah HW** for helping Mrs Theobald to create a beautiful nativity stable in Pendeen class. Noah is polite, charming and a superb role model to all pupils in our school.

**Staff star of the week** **Miss Eastham**-she always come into school with a smile and her positivity is infectious. Miss Eastham is professional, hardworking and supportive. Nothing is too much trouble for her, and she takes everything in her stride. We are lucky to have such a capable and efficient teacher here at Grampound Road.

# Pendeen



We have had a good week in Pendeen class. Over the last couple of weeks, the children have been busy learning the story of the gingerbread man, so on Wednesday they were able to make and decorate their own gingerbread men. We have been busy learning songs and practicing for the nativity. The children have been making stars to hang above our nativity role-play area. It was really lovely that the children were able to get outside and have a little bit of outdoor learning time on Friday, thank you for sending them in with wellies for this.

**Please can you make sure that your child brings in their costume for the nativity by 7th December.**

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Wilton and Miss Kennedy



Happy birthday to  
Esmae who will be 7

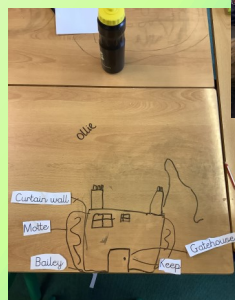
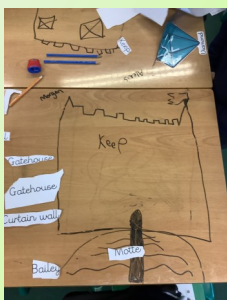
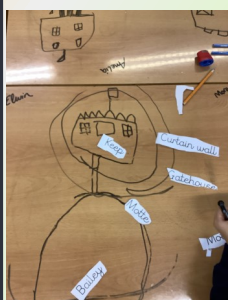
## Trevose



This week we have been immersing ourselves even more in our topic 'Towers, tunnels and turrets' and we have been learning about the different parts of the castle and what they were for. We were intrigued by all the different parts of the castle, and we used our learning from our trip to Pendennis castle to help us label a castle. We also learnt more about the different job roles that people had in the castle, including a gong farmer who had to clean the toilets!

We have also been doing some fantastic writing in Literacy this week, editing the original Jack and the beanstalk story and creating our own version. In R.E. this week we have been learning the story of the nativity and we got dressed up to help us tell the story! On Friday, we had a surprise visitor in our classroom, Merry the elf! We are very excited to see what he does and to show him how brilliant we are!

Well done everyone 😊







# Tater Du



We have had a great week inventing our own journey stories and focussing upon how to make our writing more engaging. I am so impressed with the enthusiasm shown by everyone, particularly the children who have only just begun to work in our Literacy lessons. You have been absolute stars! Isaac P has also inspired everyone with his Dr Who Journey story, and we are helping him to create some 3D models to aid retelling of his story.

In Maths, we have been looking at multiplying and dividing this week. I have also seen a massive improvement in lots of children's quick recall of their times table facts. Well done! At the end of Y4, each child will take an online times table test along with all the other Year 4s in the country, and we have a really strong focus in Tater Du Class on learning these facts. They will stay with you for life!

We have been thinking more about the Trinity in RE, and Mr Sheik brought in all his cricketing clothing and equipment on Thursday for his last session with the children.

We really loved his lessons!

Have a super weekend! 😊

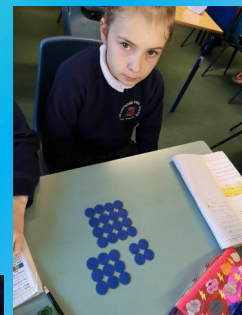
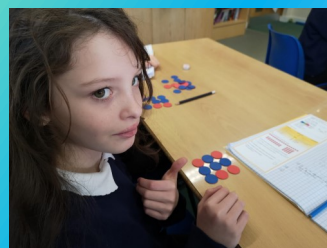
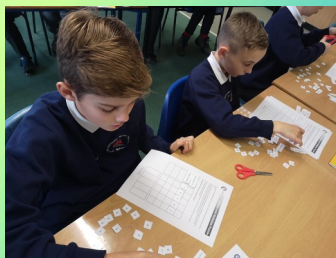


## JOKE OF THE WEEK:

Shakespeare's pencil was recently found in a cellar but it was so old nobody could tell if it was 2B or not 2B!

## Wolf Rock

It has been another busy week in Wolf Rock. We have been putting the finishing touches to our warning stories. In Maths, we have been investigating the importance of Prime, Square and Cube numbers, identifying them and working out how to calculate them. This provided many learning opportunities especially when comparing the numbers. We were sad to learn that Mr Shaikh's cricket sessions have now finished but really enjoyed the lesson he gave us yesterday when he brought in his kit bag. Don't forget to get those kit designs in before next week. Thank you Miss Mills for everything you have done this week. Have a super weekend everyone.





Thank you to everyone who brought in Bags2School

We raised £57.00

Fantastic!



Thumbs up!

Amber

for being a very brave girl.

# THUMBS UP



Thumbs up!

To Mrs Wright for popping in with

Beryl who is 12 weeks old!!

All the staff and children loved meeting Beryl!

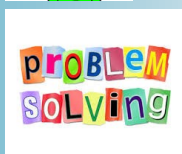


Thumbs up!

Noah HW  
for helping  
the children in  
Pendeen Class.  
Thank you



## Abi and Phoenix's Maths problem:



Chris has £2,600.  
Jade has £28,400.  
Jade gives Chris some money.  
Jade now has 4 times as much money as Chris.  
How much money did Jade give Chris?

£7,750  
£3,600  
£6,200  
£5,150





# STARS OF THE WEEK



Class Name	Star of the week	Values Compassion	Whole Class
P E N D E E N	Daisy for doing such a good job at retelling the story of the Gingerbread Man.	Ellie for being a kind and compassionate member of Pendeen Class. Lovely!	To everyone for working so hard to remember the words and actions for 'The Gingerbread Man'. Well done!
T R E V O S E	Blake for his effort in his Maths when learning a new method to subtract numbers. Great!	Aria C For looking after your friends and doing everything you can to help them if they are feeling sad. Thank you!	To everyone for brilliant effort when learning new songs for our Nativity. Fantastic!
T A T E R  D U	Betty for her enthusiasm for writing this week. Well done!	Benjamin for being a calm, trustworthy and compassionate friend. Thank you!	To everyone for thoughtfulness during RE this week. Lovely to see!
W O L F R O C K	Jake Your effort and attitude to learning never fails to amaze me. Keep this up!	Martha you are somebody who always looks out for others and is quick to be around someone when they need support Thank you!	To everyone in Wolfrock, you have all worked really hard to complete the stories. Thank you!



## ATTENDANCE

Expected average attendance for a child is 96.1%. Our attendance figures for last week were as follows:

Pendeen: 96.9 % Trevose: 94.7 % Tater Du: 96.1 % Wolfrock: 91.5 %

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 (lunch time is 12.30—1pm)

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: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-on-supporting-children-and-young-peoples-mental-health-and-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



### **REMEMBER**

**SAVE THE CHILDREN  
CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY IS ON**

**FRIDAY 10TH DECEMBER.**

**CHILDREN TO WEAR OWN CLOTHES  
AND XMAS JUMPER.**

**DONATIONS VIA PARENTPAY.**



### ASTHMA REGISTER



If your child has asthma please let us know, you will need to fill a form in and return to school along with an in date inhaler IN A CLEAR BAG WHICH IS NAMED.

### Drop off and pick up times:

8.45 am—All children dropped to pedestrian gate teachers will line children up and take them to classes.

3.10pm Trevose collected from pedestrian gate.

3.15pm Tater Du and Wolfrock collected from pedestrian gate.

Pendeen will have their own transitional plans next week.

12-12.30 Pendeen & Wolfrock eat in the Hall then go out to play.

12.30-1pm Trevose and Tater Du eat in the hall.

# Pin me on the fridge

## December 2021

Wednesday 8th December: Christmas Shop

Friday 10th December: Christmas Fair 4pm-6pm

Friday 10th December: SAVE THE CHILDREN. Pupils to wear own clothes with Xmas Jumpers

Tuesday 14th December: EYFS KS1 Nativity Matinee 10am -11am, Afternoon performance 4pm-5pm.

Wednesday 15th December: School Christmas lunch—Christmas jumpers with school uniform. **BOOKINGS NOW CLOSED**

Thursday 16th December: KS2 Christmas Carols 5pm-6pm.

Friday 17th December: Last day of term - Christmas Break



**Save the Children**



## Term Dates 2021-2022

Autumn Term: Monday 6th September - Friday 17th December 2021

Half Term: 25th - 29th October 2021

Spring Term: Tuesday 4th January - Friday 8th April 2022

Half Term: 21st - 25th February 2022

Summer Term: Monday 25th April - Friday 22nd July 2022

Bank Holiday: Monday 2nd May 2022

Half Term: 30th May - 3rd June 2022

Bank Holiday: Monday 6th June 2022.

INSET DAYS:

25/07/22, 26/07/22.

**Reporting an absence**



Can we please ask Parents/Carers to call school each morning by 9am if your child is absent to give us an update.

## FRIENDS OF GRAMPOUND ROAD SCHOOL—FOGS

We are looking for donations of Chocolate for our Chocolate Tombola at our Christmas Fayre. Please drop them in the red box at the gate of the school.

### Visiting Santa at the Fayre

Siblings are welcome to come along to see Santa, please add their name to the slip and enclose the money.

**We look forward to seeing everyone there.**



### Royal Mail Letters to Santa

If you would like to write a letter to Santa please follow the link below.

<https://www.royalmail.com/christmas/schools-letters-to-santa>



Santa/Father Christmas  
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