

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 17/07/2020

MESSAGE FROM MISS KENNEDY

Firstly, I need to acknowledge that this newsletter is very long; we have a lot to say! We made the decision to extend our newsletters during the Coronavirus because we wanted to make sure we reached out to everyone. I can assure you that when we return, the newsletter will be a standard 2/3 pages.

The Summer is almost upon us. We look forward to the Autumn term. Our school community have worked in partnership and your support and commitment to us has been appreciated.

In September our school will be different for some, but we will still provide routines, good teaching and plenty of nurture. The first week back will be gentle; we will ease the children carefully into the new routines. Our focus will be to support the children's well-being and self-confidence.

I wish everyone a happy Summer and I look forward to seeing you all in the Autumn term.



Staff News



Mr Salway has not only been busy growing some nice plants in his garden, he has been busy growing his hair like Isaac's.



MINT AERO BUBBLE

This week we have been working hard towards a vital PSHE lesson about peer pressure. The children talked about the differences of negative and positive peer pressure and linked in scenarios. In RE we're learning about the ten commandments and writing our own.

The children are LOVING karate cats on BBC bitesize and they're looking forward to our treat/ pyjama day on Monday! Thank you for all your support this term, it's been a funny year, but we've got there.

We hope you all have a well-rested holiday and we look forward to welcoming you all back in September.

Kind regards

Mrs Warne and Lia xxx



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

The graduation of the Year 6 class is finally here!

(speech delivered to year 6 class by Miss Kennedy)

We are so sorry that this has not been the send off you had hoped for. We respect the decision that some parents made not to bring their children back to school after the Coronavirus lockdown. None of us could predict how the virus would spread nor can we predict what will be to come.

I want to thank the Friends of Grampound Road for the hoodies; the children love them. Mr Salway has individual certificates for each of you.

Parents and carers, for the past 11 years you have pushed buggies, practised phonics, checked homework and raced against the clock to be here or there on time with your child. Your positive attitude towards learning has influenced and encouraged your child to achieve his or her best at Grampound Road School.

At times it has been a bumpy road, but over the last two years the dedication and compassion shown by Mr Salway, Mr Jory and Mrs Bulley has enabled every child to thrive. Years of planning, teaching, marking, encouraging, modelling and explaining have come to fruition. How proud you must be to see your pupils here today! You have touched the lives of these young people forever and when you think about it, not just their lives but even the lives of their future children. Such is the impact of a teacher's role. However, at our school every adult plays a part in the children's well being, particularly Mrs Godwin and Mrs Wright (our resident meerkats) who drop everything if they sense (and I mean they have sixth sense) that a child is in need of a kind word or comforting arm around them.

As teachers we know that a child's academic performance at 11 does not determine who or what they will become in life. In our rooms we could have the future doctors, engineers, hopefully teachers (who take the register on time,) as well as workers in careers that have not even been dreamed of yet.

Children, I would like you to say thank you to your learning mentors by giving them a round of applause for all they have done for you.

Now I would like to address the children; seven years of primary education have flown by and now it's time for you to fly the nest of your primary school and to embrace your next chapter. In a few short weeks, you will be establishing new friendships and relationships with teachers who will affect your lives for years to come.

Wherever you are off to, I have some advice for you so listen carefully. Everyone will tell you that you must work hard and do your best, follow that advice. But I also want you to be aware of something that is every bit as important as academic success - and that is your character and reputation. As you know, your character is the type of person you are and your reputation is the opinions that people hold about you.

Always think for yourself and ask yourself,

- Is it true?
- Is it kind?
- Is it necessary?

You see, words have power. Words can build up a person or break a person. Develop a positive character and reputation and use words that build, not damage others. If you should find yourself in the company of people who want to tempt you to do things that you are not sure about, always remember these words, "When in doubt, do the right thing". The right thing is the thing that will make you proud of yourself and your parents and teachers proud of you, even if they can't see you. You will instinctively know what the right thing is; be courageous!

But sometimes you will make mistakes. Everyone makes mistakes, it is impossible not to. When you do, there are two things to do:

1. Be of good character, take responsibility and apologise.
2. Secondly, don't beat yourself up because you made a mistake, forgive yourself, others will forgive you too, if you are truthful.

Every mistake is an opportunity to learn and grow, ask yourself, what did I learn from that mistake?"

The lesson that you learn will be very important; be brave and courageous, don't let fear hold you back from achieving your goals. Your lives will be filled with challenges; I have faced many and I am still here, strong. Choose happiness.

Read widely, collect words and develop a love of using them effectively.

With bags of good character, care for how you make others feel. You all have the foundations to do your best at secondary school and throughout your future lives.

Grampound Road Class of 2020, have an AMAZING life! We will never forget you!

Class News

Y6 6s Rock

Emotions have been high during the final week of school before the summer with feelings of excitement, apprehension and nervousness very much in the air. For me, July is always a bitter sweet moment - the sadness of losing a class but the anticipation of starting a new year with a new year group. I have known the Year 6s for two years now and have many fond memories from what has been an amazing group of class to work with. In class this week, we have been developing our theme park by learning how much profit was made and how this money could be spent to make improvements. In Literacy, we have written a wishing story and the themes covered have been vast. I have really enjoyed reading the work of Josh Verran whose story is about a Captain sailing a ship. He misses his family and wishes he could return home sooner than he actually does. In another story, Sadie wishes she has a cat and when she finds a magic coin, she makes her wish and returns home to find a lion in the garden. I would like to thank all the children for their hard work and dedication this year, plus Mr Jory and Mrs Bulley who have been incredible. Their relentless drive and passion enables children to experience success every day and, for that, I am forever grateful. Have a wonderful summer and see you on the other side.

Perspective photos by Reuben, Beth and Amelie



JOKE OF THE WEEK: WHY DID THE GOLFER WEAR TWO PAIRS OF TROUSERS? IN CASE HE GOT A HOLE IN ONE!

Tater Du

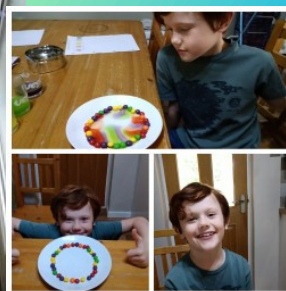
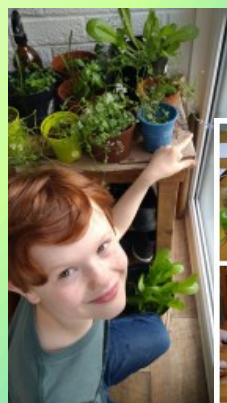
There's been some great photos shared this week and it's been so lovely to keep in touch with you. Martha has been learning about different countries around the world every "Worldwide Wednesday", and her French breakfast last week looked so delicious! Oscar has been growing plants during lockdown and his cornflower bloomed this week. He has also been doing lots of Science experiments at home, and he investigated the colour pigmentation on some sweets, and found out what happened when he mixed vinegar and bicarbonate of soda. Campbell also found out about the different birthday celebrations around the world and decorated his globe with them. Thank you for joining in with our Home Learning Projects. I hope you've enjoyed them. Thank you to all the parents for supporting us with this too. We really appreciate your efforts. Miss Hosking, Mrs Warne and Lia x

Martha's French

breakfast looking yummy!



Campbell's world
globe



Oscar has turned into a keen
gardener and is enjoying
doing some experiments.



Class News



Trevose

This week in Maths we have been learning to tell the time. We have been telling the time to the hour, half past and we have been challenging ourselves to tell the time to the nearest 5 minutes. We have been learning how to count around the clock in fives to help us.

We have been estimating how long it will take it to do different activities including star jumps, writing the alphabet, seeing how many numbers we can write in 30 seconds and also how long we can stand on one leg for! Maisie and Phoebe managed 5 minutes balancing without wobbling, we eventually had to stop the stopwatch! We have been doing lots of drawing and have created some lovely sunflowers, take a look at the gallery to see some of our creations!

I want to say a huge well done to everyone in Trevose class for their hard work in school and at home this year. I have loved being your teacher and we will miss the Year Twos that are moving up to Year Three next year. Trevose, you are all superstars and I can't wait to see everyone back in September. Have a fabulous summer, make the most of the sunshine and stay safe.

Miss Eastham xx



Pendeen

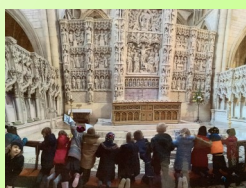
It has been our final week in Pendeen class so we have been spending time reflecting on our time in school over the last year. The children have been busy drawing and writing about some of their favourite memories. These included school trips to The Eden Project and Truro Cathedral as well as the visit from Pudsey bear for Children in Need and performing their nativity play for you all at Christmas.

They have been thinking about their own strengths and qualities that they will take with them when they move up into Trevose class. Miss Eastham came to have a chat with the children (from a safe distance) to introduce herself and to let the children know what to expect in September.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support over this last year. We have really enjoyed getting to know your children, they really are a credit to you. They have all brought their own qualities to the group and this has made such a lovely class. We would like to wish them all the best as they continue their learning journey throughout the rest of the school.

Take care and enjoy the summer holidays.

Miss Hosking and Mrs Wilton



THE GALLERY

FARWELL TO OUR YEAR 6 PUPILS

The Friends of Grampound Road have kindly donated the Y6 leavers hoodies this year due to the unfortunate circumstances surrounding their last year at the school. The Friends wish all the Y6's the very best of luck at High school and beyond. Miss you all and good luck for the future, Kelly and George x



TATER DU HOME LEARNING

It's the fourteenth week of Home Learning and we've been thinking about Transition this week. We are really sad not to have a proper send off for our brilliant Year 4s 😞 We have seen you grow, mature and blossom into such an amazing group of children during the two years that I have been privileged enough to be your teacher, and we are really going to miss you. You are so different to the group that we first met, and your learning has accelerated so much. You should be immensely proud of all your efforts.

Thank you to your parents for supporting with your learning journey, firstly in Wolf Rock Class and then in Tater Du Class. You have worked incredibly hard for us and we are so proud of your achievements. Have a fabulous summer and good luck as Year 5s in Mr Salway's class. To the Year 3s, we look forward to working with you all again in September!

Take care,
Miss Hosking, Mrs Warne and Lia X



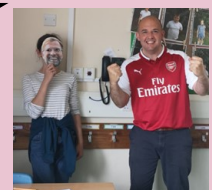
A Fairy House created by Perdy



WOLFROCK



Two hard working Mathematicians using manipulatives to help solve some challenging problems



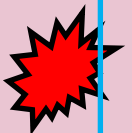
Loved The football result on Wednesday especially the

TREVOSE CLASS—WE MADE OUR OWN

SUNFLOWERS



Number of Liverpool fans in Wolfrock



THE GALLERY

From us
all

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

THIS WEEK BIRTHDAY WISHES GO TO CHACE.

WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH EVERYONE WHO HAS A BIRTHDAY IN THE SUMMER BREAK A

FAB FUN DAY FROM

EVERYONE AT GRAMPOUND ROAD SCHOOL

CREATIVE ART WORK BY MINT AERO BUBBLE



A Letter to the Leavers

Dear Year 6,

I hope you and your families are all in robust health and high spirits as we approach the finish line of your time here at Grampound Road. It has certainly been an unusual run-in. I appreciate that this was not what you would have imagined at the beginning of the year, as you first entered the Year 6 classroom, armed perhaps with clear expectations of what your time in Wolf Rock class would be like. In this instance, as occasionally happens in life (especially as a long-suffering Arsenal fan), what we deserve and what we get are not always harmoniously aligned. In spite of this, there are a few things that I would like to share with you all before you make the exciting journey over to the sunlit uplands of Secondary school.

Firstly, I have to say that it has been an honour for me to teach you all. The way in which you have matured as a class, and as individuals, supported each other throughout the year, has really made a strong impression on me. When it was time to roll up the sleeves and do some serious learning, be it through “Big Writes” or test practice, you were ready and willing. Whilst you did not get the chance to showcase your hard-earned knowledge in the SATs (which you may or may not be disappointed by), the readiness you displayed towards hard work and graft is an exceptionally promising quality. As you face the world now, be assured that you can be absolutely anything that you want to be in life so long as you are prepared to work hard for it. Keep this going!

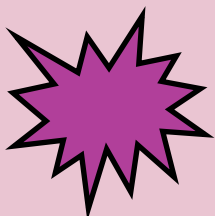
I recall the part in “Wonder” where August says that everyone should have a standing ovation at some point in their lives. One of my biggest regrets this year is that we were not able to perform the Year 6 play, especially after all the work we got through just before lockdown; indeed, the play normally provides the counterbalance for all the learning. I am certain that you would have been a resounding success in this and earned that ovation yourselves. You may have been robbed of it this year but that ovation is still owed to you. I know from interacting with you over the course of your time here that you all have your unique gifts and talents, ranging from storytelling to performing - they are too numerous and diverse to mention all of them by name. I hope you have the courage to keep nurturing these skills and practising them to perfection. For when the time comes, that ovation is going to ring loud and clear.

Finally, Year 6, I would like to congratulate each and every one of you for making it through this rollercoaster of a year and over the finish line. Adversity can be character-building and is something we must all face from time to time, but I am convinced that future years shall prove reassuringly less eventful and disruptive for you. If you can all try to glean the positives from this experience, you shall be the better and stronger for it. As Dr Seuss once wrote, “Sometimes you will never know the value of a moment until it becomes a memory.” This might be a metaphor too for your time at Grampound Road. It has certainly been a privilege for me personally to have been the final teacher on your journey here.

I will miss you all a great deal.

Best wishes,

Mr S



My School Bag

I know there's a change coming ahead,
But I'd like to stay here – at Primary, instead.
I know where the toilets are, and where to each lunch,
I know all my classmates, they're a fabulous bunch.

I find the work okay – not too easy nor hard,
I love to play tag and hide and seek out on the yard.
My teachers are ace and I love my best friend,
I'm completely myself – no need to pretend.

I've carried my school bag to and from school,
For what seems like forever, bringing back stuff that's cool.
Mum says she will stick things up on the wall,
But they soon disappear, never to be seen at all.

This bag's been my friend, through thick and through thin,
It's only little, and does not hold much in.
It's been my companion for what seems like years,
Getting rid of it now has brought on so many fears.

I so want to keep it, and put my new things inside,
I thought I could persuade mum, I tried and I tried.
But she presented to me a trendy new rucksack,
So under the stairs, my old bag went back.

'Here you go, this is great, all ready for September,'
Like there was a way I wouldn't remember.
I looked deep inside, it was as big as a cave,
My tummy filled with butterflies and my bag filled with brave.

'Wow, look at my bag, it fits in much more,'
'Here is determination and kindness' I put it down on the floor.
It's already heavy, full of wonderful things,
Like a toolbox of emotions and special feelings.

When I need to reach down deep into my pack,
I pull out the resilience or courage I lack.
My trusty companion with me at a new school,
Every feeling I have, needs its own special tool.

So when I walk into High school and look up at the ceiling,
Everything is huge and not too appealing.
But with me I carry my bag and a grin,
Knowing all of my strength can be found within.

And I'll share it around to those who may struggle,
Whether its kindness or empathy, advice or a cuddle.
My old bag doesn't hold much or things I now need,
But now my new one holds everything I need to succeed.

So as I move forward in my eleven or so years,
I'll leave in my old bag, my worries and fears.
'You've served me well, my old book bag' full of glitter and glue,
But it's time to move on and make memories anew.

Every week Oak Academy are producing a collective worship which is available on:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-gOKwgu5_g9Pm1YBMb5G_A

This week's collective worship we are going to be joined by The Prime Minister Boris Johnson, Olympian Daley Thompson and students from Reach Academy who are discussing Black Lives Matter with Lavinya Stennett.

I hope you are all able to tune and that you enjoy the service.

<https://www.penaligonsfriends.org.uk/>

<https://www.penaligonsfriends.org.uk/children-young-people/>



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

THE LAST DAY OF TERM IS

MONDAY 20TH JULY 2020

WE RETURN TO SCHOOL ON

MONDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER
2020

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

Pendeen 9.00am-2.30pm Mon.-Thurs. 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.

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 accessed 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:

Here are a few links that you may find useful:

Emotional Coaching Book Trust—<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/news-and-features/features/2020/july/how-to-use-emotion-coaching-to-help-little-ones-with-their-worries/>

Keeping Children Safe...



With the Summer break fast approaching, may we remind you that, if you become aware of any serious concern regarding a child's wellbeing, their safety or safeguarding, the Multi Agency Referral Unit, also known as the MARU, can be contacted. Please find their details below and a link to their website where you will find more information. Telephone: 0300 1231 116

E-mail: multiagencyreferralunit@cornwall.gov.uk Website: www.cornwall.gov.uk/



REPORTING CONCERNS ONLINE

The Child Exploitation and Online Protection Centre (CEOP) is the UK's national police agency for dealing with the protection of children online. If you're worried about someone's behaviour towards a child online, or the child's behaviour them self, you can report this at: www.ceop.police.uk.

This is Your Life.

Five Minutes with Mr Jory

Where were you born? **Trelisk**

Hates? **Litter**

Favourite childhood book? **Danny Champion of The World**

Sports teams followed? **Nottingham Forest**

Alternative career? **Meteorology**

What three albums would you listen to if stranded on a desert island? **Pulp Different Class, Foals What Went Down and Wilkinson Hypnotic**

Favourite animal? **Meer cats**

Favourite food? **Curry**

Favourite colour? **Red**

Favourite item of clothing? **Luminous yellow running trainers**

Most prized possession? **I don't possess them, but it is my family!**

Last thing recorded on TV? **A Forest match on Sky**

Any traditions? **No, my OCD is enough!**

Motto? **If you do it, then it's done!**

First job? **Shelf filling in the Co-op**

Favourite ice cream flavour? **Salted caramel**

Line you say the most? **Telling my son that I am faster than him. I probably have less than 6 months to milk it though!**

Are you more inclined to 'build your own empire' or 'unleash the potential of others'? **Unleash potential**

Favourite dish to cook? **Spaghetti Bolognese**

Favourite day of the week? **Friday**

Best thing about Grampound Road? **A variety of personalities which collectively make a fantastic place.**



Have a
great
Summer