

Grampound Road Village C of E School

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MESSAGE FROM MISS KENNEDY

28th May 2021

Why is knowledge important?

Knowledge acquisition is crucial for all children. It builds their understanding of themselves and the world and helps them become more proficient learners. As <u>Ofsted's Sean Harford</u> said: 'Knowledge is sticky. The more you know, the more you can embed new knowledge.' Teaching children both declarative knowledge and procedural knowledge (skills) gives them the tools to develop a deeper understanding of subjects and concepts. Knowledge acquisition can also help narrow the gap for disadvantaged pupils, who often benefit the most from what <u>Professor Michael Young</u> calls 'powerful knowledge', building their cultural awareness, specialised skills and wider understanding. (quote from Cornerstone Curriculum)

In the homework books this week, you will find the knowledge organisers for year 1-6. These will give the children exciting facts, a glossary and sometimes an historical timeline for your child's next Topic. We hope you enjoy sharing the information with your child. Additionally, we will send home a topic homework grid. Please choose one or more activities to complete and bring into school on the first week back. The homework will be displayed in class.

After half term, the school drop off will be at 8.45am, we will collect the children from the pedestrian gate, and they will walk to the KS1 playground where their teachers and the teaching assistants will be waiting to meet and greet. Pick up will be at 3.10pm for Pendeen and Trevose and 3.15pm for Tater Du and Wolf Rock. We would like to encourage parents to walk or partly walk their children to school as there are limited parking spaces available and the weather is picking up!

We have all had a great week in school, what with cricket, dance, football, nurture, fun runs, talks on space and forest school. I would like to thank the whole team at Grampound Road for their efforts in making learning exciting and fun for the children. Our school curriculum needs to be broad and balanced with plenty of 'look forwards' embedded.

I wish everyone a wonderful half term.

Congratulations All the children and staff at Grampound Road school would like to send their best wishes and congratulations to Miss Seeds who is getting married on Saturday 29th May 2021. We hope you have a fantastic day!

STATT STAR OF THE WEEK



The staff star of the week goes to Mr Salway for organising some exciting PE lessons and

giving the children those all important 'look forward to' lessons.

Thank you, Mr Salway, you are amazing!

You're a star! *



Happy birthday to Connor who will be 7 on the 5th June





What a week in Trevose!

We have been busy finishing our 'Splendid Skies!' topic and we have been collecting data about the weather using our weather station that we made last week. We have also been writing our own weather reports. We have enjoyed watching weather reporters from the BBC and listening to how they deliver the weather forecast so we can magpie ideas for our own.

We had a great day on Thursday learning some cricket with Mr. Sheikh and performing our Weather dance with Miss. Katie! Everyone has worked so brilliantly to learn the dance and I have been so impressed with everyone's hard work and confidence when performing. What a great end to half-term!

We are really looking forward to our next topic 'Beachcombers!' that we will start after our half-term break. Have a lovely week off and hopefully the sun finally comes out!

Miss Eastham 😂











We finished our Wind mobiles in Creative Club!



Happy birthday to Maddie who was 5 on the 27th May.

pendeen

We have had a good week in Pendeen class. The children have been busy writing parts of the story of 'The Bad-tempered Ladybird' by Eric Carle. In maths this week we have been counting in fives and looking

at time. In our topic work this week the children have painted beetles on pebbles and learnt some more interesting facts about insects from around the world.

The children enjoyed being on the field for PE with Mr Webb and enjoyed their final dance session with Miss Katie. We hope that you have a



wonderful half term break. Mrs Wilton, Miss Kennedy and Miss Buckley







Thank you, Rockers, for a wonderful end to the half term. We were incredibly fortunate to be able to welcome Clint, Heidi and Brian into school from the charity Sea to Stars. Not only were they able to show us a visual representation of the night sky, but we were also able to handle a selection of meteors, look through a telescope and feel the difference of what 1kg would feel like on different planets. The knowledge passed onto the students was fascinating, done so with such passion and enthusiasm and I am so incredibly grateful they could free an afternoon to benefit our learning. Mustafa Shaikh also visited us on Thursday to lead our cricket coaching in PE. Being a cricketer myself, it made my day to see the whole school out catching tennis balls and relishing every moment of the Jail Break game. Thank you, Mus!

Congratulations Mr Jory! It was your wedding anniversary and birthday this week and we all hope you enjoyed those occasions. Lets hope the sunshine makes an appearance for the half term holiday which will enable you to get outdoors and explore! Have a wonderful holiday and see you on the other side.



JOKE OF THE WEEK:

Why did the robber wear blue gloves? So he wasn't caught red handed!!!!



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We've been rounding off our Predator topic by designing non-chronological reports about our favourite predatory animal or plant. We have also designed some new apex predators by amalgamating all the finest features from a range of animals. Some children have even adapted family members!

Everyone's knowledge of the 8x table is improving drastically and I am so impressed by their enthusiasm for learning! The Fun Run on Tuesday was great and it was wonderful to see everyone giving their best effort despite the wet end to the run.

We had a super morning on Thursday with Mr Sheik the cricket coach. It was fantastic fun and their listening skills and focus was outstanding! We also completed our athletics unit of work with Mr Webb by learning how to leap over hurdles and throw a javelin. The wind finally subsided!

We completed our class reader, which everyone enjoyed listening to, and as a treat, we also watched the film "Babe" on Friday. I hope you all have a brilliant half term break and the sun shines down on you all. We are starting a new project in June called "Heroes and Villains" so watch out for the Homework books this week as there are some nice activities to try out at home.

Personally, I would like to thank all the wonderful Tater Du team who work tirelessly with all our children. They are incredibly supportive of every child and bring lots of amazing skills, fun and positivity to the classroom. \bigcirc

I'd also like to wish Miss Seeds a wonderful day on Saturday when she gets married. We wish you and Drew so much continued happiness together and can't wait to see the photos! Much love to you both and Lexie, Esmae and Chase on your special day.

Last Friday, the final group from the Trevose team (along with Mrs Warne) took a look at how our trees have progressed from buds to their incredible current bloom - no doubt fuelled by a lot of rain! For mid-May the weather was pretty rotten, therefore it was a brief walk around and then a warm-up in the hall where we discussed aspects of the weather. The recall from the children's classroom learning was incredible - citing terminology such as 'weather vane', thermometer and Sir Francis Beaufort.

In the afternoon a group from Tater Du and Wolf Rock did a litter pick around the school and thanks to their efforts we half-filled the wheelbarrow. It goes without saying that if we can bin our litter then this reduces any potential damage to our environment.

A second Tater Du and Wolf Rock group planted some sunflowers in the raised beds. It will be interesting to see, particularly as sunshine is forecast, how our sunflowers progress in the next few weeks and which one will flower first? Finally (as the photos show), the potatoes, dwarf peas and carrots are progressing in their respective beds - let's

see if some warmth can bring them on?

Have a great half term. Mr J.

Weather report

On the weather front, at last it is progressing more akin to summer. The weekend and first half of next week look set fair, although I'm not sure if it will last throughout half term week.

On Tuesday after school the children enjoyed Archery Club with Miss Hosking and







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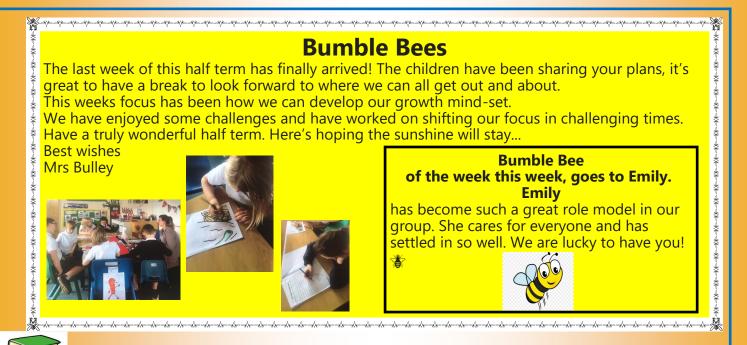
found something very funny.











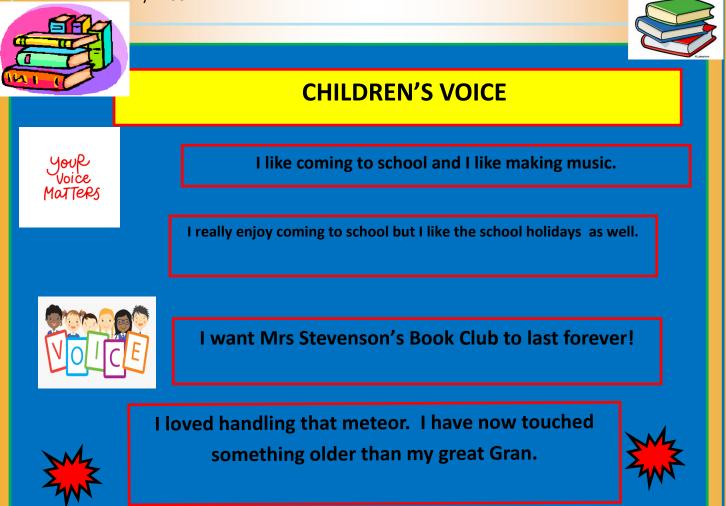
Readers Review Title: The Explorer by Katherine Rundell

This book is amazing if you love jungles, animals and nature but even if you don't like these things you will still love this book. Four children, Fred, Lila, Con and Max survive in the jungle. It mentions sloths, fire, mountains, rafts and much more. It is definitely the



best book I have read so far. It is great for teamwork and shows that if you believe and try hard enough, your dreams can come true. Many of Katherine Rundell's books are based on this theme. I would award this 5 stars!

By Phoenix.



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	
P	Maddie	Elwin	To all in Pendeen
E	For always	For being a good	for such
N	thinking of		Amazing
D	others and	friend and always	work this half term.
Е	setting a good	being able to forgive	Fantastic!
Е	example.	others when	
N	Well done!	necessary.	
Т	Annabel for an	Ruby-Mae	To everyone
R	outstanding	For persevering	for their excellent
E	week in	and trying her best	recall and the
V	Literacy, Maths	in everything that she	topics we
0	and Topic. You	does.	have learnt.
S	have worked so	Well done!	Fantastic work everyone!
E	hard, and I am		
	so impressed.		
т	Finlay P	Emily	To everyone in Tater Du
A	For his amazing	for always	for your superb focus and
т	work during	looking on the	respect towards
E	Literacy. Such	bright	Mr Sheik
R	incredible focus	side of life.	on Thursday. He can't
	and fantastic	Lovely to see!	wait to work with you all
D	facts. Well		again.
U	done!		Thank you!
W	Hayley	Ellie-Maii T	To everyone in Wolfrock
0	Your attitude to	For showing	For actively participating
L	learning this	great perseverance	so well in the
F	week has been	and resilience	Space
R	spot on! Thank	in PE this week.	afternoon.
0	you for setting	Well done!	Great work everyone!
С	such a fantastic		
K	example.		

ATTENDANCE

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

Pendeen: 93.2% Trevose: 98.6 % Tater Du: 97.2% Wolfrock: 99.3 %

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

DATES FOR YOUR

DIARY

Half term holidays

31st May-4th June

Wednesday 23rd June—Sports Day

Thursday 1st July is Roseland Year 6 Welcome day

SCHOOL CLOSED 11.6.21

INSET DAY

Menu change Thursday 17th June

Eat your Veggies Day book via ParentPay

As from 7th June (New times) see below



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 Pendeen and Trevose collected from pedestrian gate.

3.15pm Tater Du and Wolfrock collected from pedestrian gate.

Lunch Plan

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

12-12.30 Tater Du have lunch in class then go out to play.

12.30-1pm Wolfrock come inside and eat lunch in classroom,

<u>Shout out</u>

Phoenix and Arlo both completed a LTA youth start tennis course this week. They made such amazing progress in the 6 week course.



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Congratulations also to Phoenix he got his certificate for his grade 1

classic guitar exam.

He got a distinction and here is his certificate.

Well done Phoenix!

Miss Seeds and Fynley made a volcano from homemade playdough this week. After the playdough had dried out they decided to turn it into a science experiment. They added bicarbonate of soda and vinegar to the bottle in the centre and watched the volcano erupt like flowing lava. Such fun making this ©





If your child has achieved something out of school, please send us a

photo and write up . We are always interested in what activities children do out of school. Send them to

grampoundroad.secretary@celticcross.education.

Reminder. Photograph returns to be sent in by Wednesday 9th June if you are not contacting them direct.

Please look on page 7 for the new drop off times and pick up times for after half term.

Children to also come to school wearing the correct PE kit on their PE day.

Please book any wraparound care in advance and lunches via ParentPay.

National Geographic Kids Magazine

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GRAMPOUND ROAD SCHOOL FUN RUN





























