



"Learning that lasts a lifetime"

## Newsletter

We have made it through a rather grey and miserable 'Spring Term' and are looking forward to Spring itself. Sunny weather must be on its way, mustn't it?

Our children continue to make great progress; they have participated in a wide range of events and trips and we have welcomed many visitors to the school. We have lots to look forward to next term with new Immersive Topics, residential trips, many sporting events and more!

Can I request that during the holidays, uniform is checked to ensure children return in the correct dress and footwear.

We have also noted some outlandish headgear on some of the girls recently. We appreciate the fact that girls' long hair is tied back but we request that large headbands, such as ones with ears and horns, are kept for wearing outside of school. They are great but don't really fit with our smart school uniform!

We have bid farewell this week to Mr Flint, a Teaching Assistant who has worked tirelessly and with great enthusiasm in many ways. We will miss him!

From all at BB, have a lovely Easter break.



Earlier this term our KS1 children were able to visit Pendennis Castle (this was supported with the generous grant that we received from the Cornwall Heritage trust). Our whole topic for the spring term this year has been 'Castles'. We have been looking at the structure of castles, where they were placed, how they were attacked and defended and our trip to Pendennis really brought the topic to life for the children. They loved the workshop too!

Here is what some of our children said about the trip:

"It was great! We now know why the castle is round! My favourite bit was doing the workshop. It was really cool!"

"I enjoyed looking around the castle. I know how they fired the cannons now. It was a brilliant trip."

"I loved our trip because we went in the castle. We got to draw the cannons and the castle. It was exciting, I want to go back."



Following 4 weeks' of Family Learning for Lower Key Stage 2 parents, we enjoyed a final session with parents and grandparents uniting with children in school. Some willing volunteers helped to demonstrate the process of 'reciprocal reading', followed by the processes we use in school to write fantastic stories and non-fiction texts! Watch this space for more 'Family Learning' opportunities coming soon!



# ATTENDANCE

We're happy to report our continued attempts at raising the importance of positive attendance with pupils and have put the following in place:

For the class achieving the highest attendance each week, a Friday 'Popcorn Pass' will be granted. This involves an hours treat of a film and popcorn to munch on! Here are the winners from this week..... **Phoenix**

For the individual children achieving 100% attendance throughout the week, their names will be put into a draw. Two names will be drawn and a small prize will be given to the winners.

Our current whole school attendance for this academic year stands at **95.91%**, a percentage that is below the government expectations. Thank you for all your support in ensuring the positive attendance of your child and keeping school informed of any illness or absence.

Classes	%	No of lates
Little Doves	89.57%	0
Little Fish	97.63%	1
Little Lambs	98.57%	6
Peacocks	97.16%	2
<b>Phoenix</b>	<b>99.51%</b>	<b>3</b>
Pelicans	96.21%	1
Angels	94.54%	1
Faith	94.31%	1
Hope	98.98%	0
Weekly Total	96.21%	15

## 2018 Spring Term Diary Dates:

**Summer Term begins—16th April**

**Immersive Open afternoon/Parent Forum—19th April**

**Year 3 Camp Kernow meeting—19th April**

**Year 3 Porthpean meeting—19th April**

**Yr 5 Residential trip to London—23rd—25th April**

**Half price book fair—24th April**

**Reception vision screening—24th April**

**Yr 3 Residential to Camp Kernow—10th & 11th May**

**KS2 SATs week—14th—17th May**

**Pentecost Communion—21st May @ 2pm, all welcome**

**Year 6 Barton Hall meeting—21st May @ 3.30pm**

**Half Term—28th May —1st June**

**INSET WEEK— 4th—8th June**

**Yr 6 Residential to Barton Hall—18th—22nd June**

**Yr 4 Residential to Porthpean—25th—27th June**



## Ice Cream Fridays

BB Friends will be selling Kelly's ice cream each Friday after school starting Friday 20th April. Cones will be 50p each and will be sold from the Ark on KS1 playground



**BBKIDS TELEPHONE NUMBER IS 01726 65471—THIS IS FOR EMERGENCIES ONLY**

Please can we remind everyone that scooters/bikes and footballs are not permitted on the playground first thing in the morning. If your child is riding/scooting to school, these need to be put into the bike shelter as soon as they come into school. Many Thanks.

### BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT & INFORMATION EVENT

Treverbyn Community Hall, Stenalees

Thursday 3rd May 11am—2pm

Are you someone who has been bereaved and would like information or support? To find out more about the event hosted by Cruse bereavement, contact Mrs Parry or pop along to the evening on the 3rd May. Refreshments will be provided and a small room will be available for those wanting to talk to someone in private.

No need to book, simply pop along with a friend or on your own.



### Is your child...

**Spending too much time on social media?**

**Sharing their location with others?**

**Sharing personal information?**

**Online gaming or chatting with strangers?**

**Do they have hundreds of social media followers?**

Are their online actions affecting others?

**\*\*\*Most social media apps have a minimum age rating of 13.\*\*\***

If a social network has set an age limit, it means that some of the content may not be suitable for a younger child. We strongly advise you to follow the minimum age rating. If you do say yes, use strict privacy settings and either 'friend' your child or ask a family member to. In addition, ensure your children use their devices to go online in common areas such as living rooms. It's far easier to keep any eye on what they are up to here than if they are in their bedroom!

### 'Top 10 Tips' to share with your child...

- Don't post any personal information online like your address, email address or mobile number.
- Think carefully before posting pictures or videos of yourself. Once you've put a picture online most people can see it and may be able to download it. It's not just yours anymore.
- Keep your privacy settings as high as possible.
- Never give out your passwords.
- Don't befriend people you don't know.
- Don't meet up with people you've met online. Speak to your parent or carer about people suggesting you do.
- Remember that not everyone online is who they say they are.
- Think carefully about what you say before you post something online.
- Respect other people's views.
- If you see something online that makes you feel uncomfortable, unsafe or worried, leave the website and tell a trusted adult immediately.

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