



"Learning that lasts a lifetime"

## Newsletter

As I write my 'blog' this week, I can hear the lovely sound of steel pans in the background as preparations for the joint St Piran's Hall for Cornwall performance are underway. This promises to be a fabulous occasion so if your child is in year 3, 4, 5 or 6 and you haven't yet purchased tickets, make sure you go to the Hall for Cornwall website to book your tickets.

I am pleased to note how confidently our children come into school, ready to learn in all year groups, including our children in the Reception classes. It is a busy time of the day so we would ask that children ONLY enter the doors from the playground from 8:45am. If you need to pass a message to your child's class teacher or need to see them briefly, please come to the main reception. This helps us to maintain our safeguarding requirements too. Thank you for your support with this.

On Monday, we welcome a new member of staff, Kim Robertson, who will be taking on the role of PSA. Mrs Parry has very successfully set up this new provision at BB and we know a number of you have benefited from this service. Mrs Parry's skills will now be needed in other school leadership roles but she will continue to support our new PSA. Kim brings with her a wealth of experience and knowledge and is someone who will continue to support our parents in many ways. We will provide details of 'drop-in' sessions next week.

I hope you have a lovely weekend despite the weather and look forward to seeing some of you at our Parent Forum at 6pm on Monday, 16th January. Debbie Carmichael

### **A wonderful week of sport!**

**Indoor Athletics**—Well done to our Indoor Athletics Teams who competed, this Thursday, in the School Games Qualifier at Poltair School. The children took part in a wide range of track and field events and the winners of each event were awarded points which went towards the overall team score. There were some fantastic individual performances throughout the day with individual winners coming from all year groups. All of our children performed excellently and we were delighted to qualify in both years for the School Games. A huge thank you to the parents who came to support.

**Cross Country**—On Wednesday, a group of children represented the school in a local cross country race. There were many local schools at the event but we were particularly proud of our children. They gave 100 percent effort and showed impeccable behaviour. A special mention to Jaiden Barnard who ran in the Year 5 race even though he is only a Year 4.

**Netball and Football**—On Tuesday, our football and netball teams played Charlestown and once again showed their dominance by winning all three matches!



### Attendance by Class

#### Congratulations to Pelican's Class with 100% attendance!

Please ensure your child only takes time off for medical reasons.

If your child is unwell and absent from school please call 01726 64322 by 9am to inform us.

Little Doves	95.0
Little Fish	98.7
Little Lambs	99.0
Peacocks	97.0
Phoenix	95.3
Pelicans	100.0
Angels	92.4
Faith	95.2
Hope	92.0

PLEASE REMEMBER IF YOUR CHILD IS GOING TO START SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2017 YOU NEED TO APPLY FOR A SCHOOL PLACE ONLINE BEFORE THE 15TH JANUARY.

[www.cornwall.gov.uk/  
admissions](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions)

### Year 6 Maths Workshop

Eleven pupils in Year 6 took an educational trip to Poltair School, for a maths workshop with Mr McNally this week. We started by having a simple fraction warm up to get our brains working, and then gradually moved on to working with improper fractions. We then buddied up with year 7 pupils to try a jumping experiment to see who could jump the furthest. The point of this experiment was to collect data to learn about mean, mode and median. This was a great experience for the year 6, which will be followed later this month by a visit to Penrice.

By Lillie-Rose and Jessica

### DIARY DATES

Parent Forum—16th January at 6pm

Year 6 Parent SATS meeting—20th January at 3.20pm

Half Term—13th—17th February

World Book Day—2nd March (children's charity dress up day, more info to follow)

St Piran's Day—5th March

British Science Week—13th—17th March

Open Afternoon for our Immersive Curriculum—20th March at 1.30pm (more details to follow)

Red Nose Day—24th March (children's charity dress up day, more details to follow)

Year 5 Residential Trip to London—29th—31st March

End of Spring Term—31st March

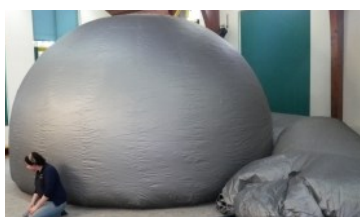
Summer Term begins—Tuesday 19th April

Year 6 SATs Week—8th—11th May

Year 3 Residential Trip to Camp Kernow—22nd—23rd May

Year 4 Residential Trip to Porthpean—22nd—24th May

Year 6 Residential Trip to London—19th—23rd June



On Monday 9th January the children and staff from KS1 and Rainbows enjoyed an incredible planetarium show.

While in the Explorer Dome, we learned about the planets, star constellations and why we have

night and day. This engaging and exciting experience was a real success and we hope that all of the children go stargazing in the near future! Ask your child how to find the North Star!

### BAD WEATHER EMERGENCY

#### PROCEDURES



In the event of snow or extremely bad weather, we will text out to all parents any closure news. It will also be posted on our website and announced on Radio Cornwall/ Pirate FM. If we take the decision to close the school during the school day, you do not need to contact us before collecting your child as this would only overload the telephone lines. Please rest assured we will NOT close the school until all children have been collected.

Many Thanks

# What every parent needs to know about sepsis.



If your child is unwell with a bug or infection, is rapidly getting worse and you are worried that their illness seems different to any previous illness, it could be sepsis.

Sepsis is a rare but serious complication of an infection.

**Use this leaflet to check your child's symptoms and find out what to do next.**



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## If your child has any of these symptoms you should take **IMMEDIATE ACTION:**

- ▶ Looks mottled, bluish or pale
- ▶ Is very lethargic or difficult to wake
- ▶ Feels abnormally cold to touch
- ▶ Is breathing very fast
- ▶ Has a rash that does not fade when you press it
- ▶ Has a fit or convulsion

**GO TO A&E IMMEDIATELY OR CALL 999**

Sepsis is rare in children, but if your child is unwell with a bug or infection, watch your child closely. These symptoms may be signs of sepsis:

### TEMPERATURE

- Temperature over 38°C in babies under three months
- Temperature over 39°C in babies aged three to six months
- Any high temperature in a child who cannot be encouraged to show interest in anything
- Low temperature (below 36°C, check three times in a 10 minute period)

### BREATHING

- Finding it much harder to breathe than normal – looks like hard work
- Making 'grunting' noises with every breath
- Can't say more than a few words at once (for older children who normally talk)
- Breathing that obviously 'pauses'

### TOILET/NAPPIES

- Not had a wee or wet nappy for 12 hours

### EATING & DRINKING

- New baby under one month old with no interest in feeding
- Not drinking for more than eight hours (when awake)
- Bile-stained (green), bloody or black vomit/sick

### ACTIVITY & BODY

- Soft spot on a baby's head is bulging
- Eyes look 'sunken'
- Child cannot be encouraged to show interest in anything
- Baby is floppy
- Weak, 'whining' or continuous crying in a younger child
- Older child who's confused
- Not responding or very irritable
- Stiff neck, especially when trying to look up and down

**If your child has any of these symptoms, is getting worse, or is sicker than you would expect (even if their temperature falls), trust your instincts and seek medical advice urgently from NHS 111.**

For more information visit [nhs.uk/sepsis](https://nhs.uk/sepsis) or [sepsistrust.org](https://sepsistrust.org)

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