



"Learning that lasts a lifetime"

Newsletter

HEAD'S BLOG

The days and weeks are whizzing by and preparations are definitely underway for the big 'C'!

Thank you so much for all your donations for our annual Secret Santa sale—one of the highlights of the year for me as it's always a joy seeing the children select gifts for their special people.

Thanks also to our Friends for giving up so much of their time to organise this event, especially in all the horrible weather we've had this week.

Children in year 6 have been busy honing their cycling skills this week and I'm sure they achieve will their Bikeability badges by the end of today. Well done, cyclists!

Meanwhile, children throughout the school have been putting the finishing touches to their poetry performances for the St Austell Spoken Word Festival taking place next week. They have been ably supported by the wonderful Mrs Bray and we are looking forward to hearing how they get on next week.

The highlight of the week was a visit by the highly-entertaining Andrew Clover, the author of the Rory Branagan series of books. He talked to KS2 children about his 'Secrets of storytelling' and the children were totally entranced throughout. Many of the children were thrilled to be able to go home with their personally signed books. We still have a few books left, so if you would like your child to have one, please ensure your child brings in £6 on Monday! Two of our keen writers couldn't wait to write about the visit and quickly wrote a piece for the newsletter (it's on the following page!). Andrew had a read too and was very impressed with the quality of their writing!

Thank you to Mrs Manton for organising the book sale too!

Debbie Carmichael

Wraparound Care

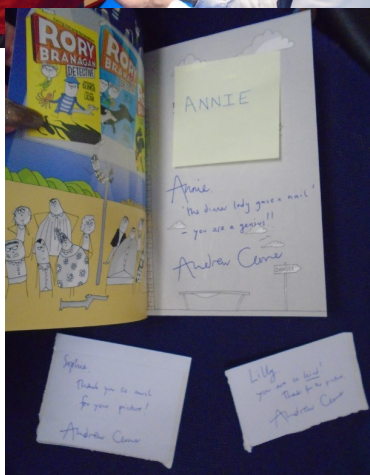
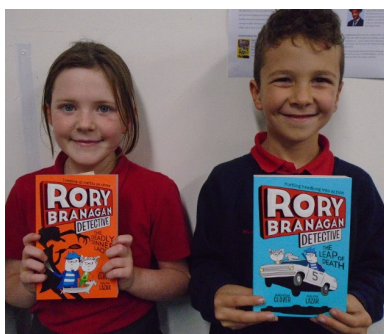
If you wish your child to attend our Wraparound Provision, then please book the sessions required via ParentPay, payment will be required at this time. There will be cut off points for booking a place and if you are unable to secure your session then please contact the school office and they will book on your behalf. Please ensure that there are sufficient funds in your account to cover the cost.

You will no longer be able to use the facility unless this is booked and paid for in advance and the school is unable to offer any credit facility. Many Thanks.

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

Our Christian values: Compassion, forgiveness, trust, respect, courage and perseverance

PHOTO PAGE



ANDREW CLOVER

Enthusiastic, passionate and a little peculiar were three adjectives that the children at BB used to describe our fabulous visiting author – Andrew Clover – who visited our school on Thursday.

This 49 year-old author and actor (yes, he stars in CBBC's 'My Almost Famous Family') entertained and educated all of KS2 and children from Mevagissey school on how to be a fantastic writer.

In order to be better writers, he taught us to:

1. Always notice what's around you (including dinner ladies – he likes writing about dinner ladies!)
2. Relax your minds – he taught us to close our eyes and imagine where our story would happen;
3. Read, read and read – Andrew explained that he was inspired to be an author from reading Enid Blyton's Famous Five books.

Miss Roworth (one of our TAs) said: "I thought it was really inspiring for children and adults alike. I'm really looking forward to reading his books. I think it will really help children to have brilliant ideas for their stories."

Nathan Moran (from Pelican's class) explained that he already enjoyed writing but now Andrew had taught him how to expand his imagination to make his stories even better. Thank you so much for coming to visit and inspire us Andrew.

ATTENDANCE

The expected average attendance for a child is 96% for the year

Our attendance for this week is 97.22%

Our attendance for this school year is 96.43%

Well done to Lambs class for the attendance stars of the week!

Classes	%	Lates	Class	%	Lates
Little Doves	93.1%	7	Pelicans	95.7%	5
Little Fish	99.59%	1	Angels	97.32%	8
Little Lambs	99.63%	5	Faith	97.7%	2
Peacocks	97.32%	3	Hope	97.85%	0
Phoenix	97.78%	4			

Late arrivals to school

In order that we can maintain the safeguarding of our pupils and to be able to monitor lateness, we are now implementing a 'late sign in book'. If your child is late to school, please ensure that your child is accompanied to the school office, where an adult will need to sign them in. Thank you.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2019/20 Autumn Term Diary Dates:

Tues 26th November—Years R—6 Immunisations

Thurs 28th November—BB Friends Christmas Treat

M&M Theatre Productions

Jack and the Beanstalk Pantomime

w/c 9th December—Christmas plays

Mon 9th—EYFS Nativity play

Tues 10th—KS1 Christmas play

Wed 11th—LKS2 Christmas play

Thurs 12th—UKS2 Christmas play

Fri 13th December—Christmas Jumper Day

Wed 18th December—DT Christmas craft day

Wed 18th December—Christmas Lunch

Wed 18th December—Christingle at 5pm

Fri 20th December—Last day of Autumn Term (school finishes at 3.15pm, there will be no after-school provision)

BB Friends Secret Santa

Wednesday 4th December

All gifts will be £1 and gift wrapped by BB Friends
Elves.

(Limited to 2 gifts per child—if there are any gifts left
at the end of the morning,



PSA CONTACT DETAILS—01726 64322 or 07903 613074

Working days Monday 08:30—16:30, Wednesday 08:30—16:30 and Thursdays 08:30—13:30

SCHOOL NOTICES PAGE

A polite request... It has been brought to our attention, that a parent was overheard to swear on the playground. Can we please ask that parents be mindful of what our little ones can hear and refrain from using bad language on school grounds.

Many thanks.

Huge thanks to RE:SOURCE at St Blazey for their kind donations of books to enhance our library.

School Admissions

If your child is due to start school in September 2020, detailed information about the admissions process is available online or on request from the School Admissions Team.

Please ensure you name **more than one preference**. It will not mean less chance of securing a place at your preferred school. Please note that if you do not apply on time your preferred school/s may already be full.

If you need support with your application process, please contact the office or contact the Family Information Service (0800 587 8191) or School Admissions Team (0300 1234 101).

Deadline dates:

Application for starting school—15th January 2020

Please apply online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions



Come along and experience the magic of

Santa's Grotto

Saturday 14th December

For £8 per child, they will have a 45 minute Christmas experience that includes

- Gingerbread Decorating
- Colouring
- Tattoos
- Santa Letter Writing

Each letter will receive an individual reply from one of Santa's little helpers. These will be posted after their visit to the grotto.

• **Plus a gift from Santa**

Refreshment Voucher
Tea or Coffee and Cake for adults
Squash and Biscuits for children
You will also be able to play

Raffle - Christmas Essentials - £1 per strip
Tombola - Chocolate & Sweet Treats - £1 per strip

To book tickets email us at
SeacadetGrotto@outlook.com

Only 15 spaces available per time slot

Time slot 1. 09:30-10:15 • Time slot 2. 10:45-11:30
Time slot 3. 12:00-12:45 • Time slot 4. 13:15-14:00
Time slot 5. 14:30-15:15

2 Boscombe Creek, Saint Austell PL28 4PW
Near Mount Charles School
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SEA CADETS



CHRISTMAS OPEN DAY

Saturday 30 November 2019
11am – 3pm

Cornwall Air Ambulance

Santa's Grotto • Storytelling
Christmas crafts and activities
See the helicopter • Meet the crew
Refreshments • Pop-up charity shop
Festive bangers and burgers from Rapid Relief Team

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