



"Learning that lasts a lifetime"

# Newsletter

## HEAD'S BLOG

As discussed in our Parent Forum last week, we have been reviewing our behaviour policy with staff and pupils over the last couple of weeks. The draft version of this is available on our website if you would like to take a look and a copy is available in reception if you can't access it online. We would really appreciate your support in ensuring the highest standards of behaviour in following our 'Rules for Life' and our newly introduced 'Manners for Life'. We have linked these rules with our expectations, our 'green behaviours', and you can see these on the next page. We will be reminding pupils of these, as well as 'red behaviours' and consequences on Monday. One of the ways in which you can support is by ensuring children come to school in the correct school uniform: red polo shirts, school sweatshirt, grey or black trousers, shorts or knee-length skirt and black shoes. The following items are not acceptable: trainers, hoodies, jewellery (except 1 pair of stud earrings and/or a 'faith' necklace), bandanas. Long hair should be tied back and we would ask that large alicebands (ie those with ears / horns etc) are NOT worn. Please also ensure children come to school with the correct equipment: PE kit, reading book and record and drinks bottle.

INSET update: A request was made in a recent Parent Forum as to whether a consultation regarding INSET days could take place as some parents would like to reintroduce the INSET week. This matter has been discussed at senior Trust level. It has been decided not to consider a change to the current arrangements. It is felt that as a Trust of 12 schools, there are too many different scenarios across Trust, making it unfeasible to have the same days off in a week. Also, they felt it would not be efficient or productive for staff to make up all of these days in 'twilight' INSET sessions throughout the year or in school holidays. I know some of you may be disappointed with this decision but please be assured that your suggestions were seriously considered.

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Carmichael

### Reminder

Friday 27th March —Last day of term, no BB Kids afternoon sessions.

#### ParentPay

Wraparound care—please ensure that you book and pay for any sessions required.

This enables us to generate registers for the children in each session.

Lunches—must be booked so that the school kitchen can cater for the correct amount of meals needed.

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

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

## Rules for Life

Show good manners at all times

Smile      Sit up straight

Listen and respond to all adults respectfully

Use 'Manners for Life'      Use indoor voices

Hold the door for everyone      Help others

Be patient      Wait for your turn to speak

## Rules for Life

Follow instructions with thought and care

Listen to the speaker      Look at the speaker

Do what the adult asks you to do

Ask to leave classroom      Stay in your seat

Try your best with every activity

## Rules for Life

Care for everyone and everything

Walk on the left      Tuck your chair in

Keep hands and feet to yourself      Be kind

Look after school and others' property and books

Wear correct school uniform and keep it clean

Put rubbish in the bin      Look after own equipment

## Manners for Life

Excuse me      I'm sorry      Thank you

Good morning      Please      May I..?

You're welcome      Good afternoon

## PSA



*As always, I am contactable via the office or you can drop me a text on 07903613074. I can support you with a variety of issues and if I do not have the answer I will work with you to ensure we get you in touch with the help that you, your family or your child needs.*

This past couple of weeks I have been looking at attendance statistics again with the help of our Education Welfare Officer. I am really pleased to tell you that we are now just focussing on a very small number of pupils who currently fall below 90%. I'd like to thank all families for their support in promoting resilience and doing their utmost to ensure that children's punctuality and attendance are prioritised as we see the positive impact that this has on the children's wellbeing as well as their education. I'll be in touch in due course with any families that we'd like to support a little more closely and very much hope that, together, we can action plan to help all attendance percentages continue to rise.

I continue to offer support and advice to families on a range of topics. In recent weeks this has largely been around childhood anxiety, ways to improve self-esteem, challenging behaviour and modelling healthy ways to manage with 'big emotions'. Currently I am promoting our very successful 'Kids Matter' programme which is due to run again after Easter. This programme is 6 sessions covering topics such as routines and consequences but all aimed at supporting families to continue to build strong relationships and to support their children to achieve their best in life. The programme has helped families to build strong support networks whilst gaining useful ideas and strategies that fit into their family homes. Please do get in touch if you would like more information.

### Other important dates:

St Austell Family Hub has a drop in session to meet with a Family worker on 8<sup>th</sup> April between 12.30- 2.30. If you are having any issues in the family home and feel you have run out of ideas about how to tackle the latest challenges, why not pop along and see if they can offer you some ideas?

## THIS WEEK'S PHOTO'S GALLERY

# SPORT RELIEF

A great time was had by all today.

Everyone took part in completing a mile run to music—Go BB!!



The grand total of **£227.09**

was raised today

Thank you to all that took part and  
donated



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### 2019/20 Diary Dates:

Mon 23rd March—Science Team Day

Tues 24th and Thurs 26th March—Parent Consultations

(BBeebies and Years 1-6)

Wed 25th Mar—Celtic Cross Education ITT Open Sessions

Fri 27th Mar—Last day of term, no BB Kids afternoon sessions

Mon 30th Mar-Mon 13th Apr- Easter Holidays

Tues 21st April—Easter Communion @ 2pm (all welcome)

Mon 20th—Tues 21st May— Eden Residential Trip

## ATTENDANCE

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

Our attendance for this week is **95.84%**

Our attendance for this school year is **96.69%**

Well done to **Rainbows and Stars** classes for being the attendance stars this week!

Classes	%	Lates	Class	%	Lates
Rainbows	100%	0	Phoenix	98.15	1
Stars	100%	0	Pelicans	95.34	2
Little Doves	91.57	1	Angels	96.03	2
Little Fish	94.38	0	Faith	97.04	2
Little Lambs	95.19	2	Hope	95.84	1
Peacocks	93.49	1			

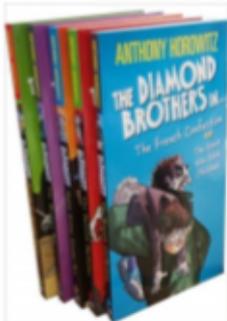
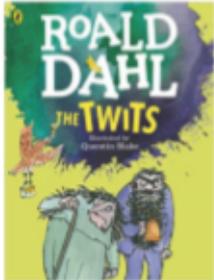
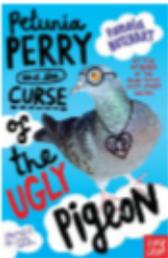
### **BAD WEATHER EMERGENCY PROCEDURES**

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, the County Council 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

# READING

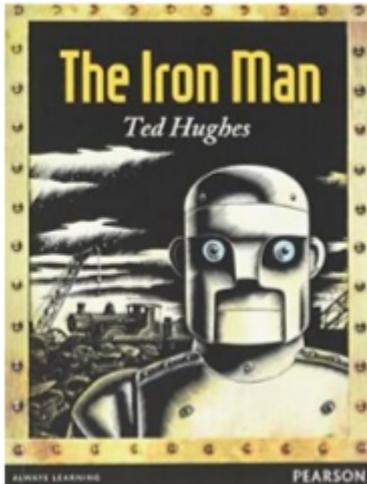
During our KS2 reading meeting for parents last week, one of the main points covered was that children's reading progress would be significantly limited if they only read one type (genre) of book or indeed, one author. With this in mind, it was requested that I make suggestions to help extend the range of authors that children read. Each year group in KS2 has a list of recommended reads which are on their individual class reading record. These lists of recommended reads are also on the reading page of the BB school website should you want to refer to them.

In addition over the next couple of weeks, I will use the newsletter to make some further recommendations based on some of the most popular books children are reading. Today's recommended reads are for children who like David Walliams... so if you like reading David Walliams then why not try...

<p><b>The Diamond Brothers Collection</b> by Anthony Horowitz</p>  <p>Groosham Grange and Return to Groosham Grange are also humorous</p>	<p><b>Millions and the Great Train Robbery</b> By Frank Cottrell – Boyce</p>  <p>He also has written several similarly humorous books including 'Framed' and 'Broccoli Boy'</p>	<p><b>Max and the Millions</b> Ross Welford</p>  <p>Other books by this author include 'Time Travelling with a Hamster' and 'The Dog who Saved the World'</p>
<p><b>The Twits</b> By Roald Dahl</p>  <p>and James the Giant</p> <p>Peach, George's Marvellous Medicine and Fantastic Mr. Fox all contain characters equally as gruesome as those in David Walliams's books and are great for slighter younger readers.</p>	<p><b>Petunia Perry and the Curse of the Ugly Pigeon</b> by Pamela Buchart</p>  <p>Pamela Buchart has written a series of comical books which are great for the slightly younger reader</p>	<p><b>The Accidental Prime Minister series</b> by Tom McLaughlin</p>  <p>These sets of exciting and laugh-out-loud books are very popular at BB – they are never on the book shelves as children pass them on to each other.</p>

This week we also have book recommendations from some of the children in school, which might help children to choose something they may not usually read. Both of this weeks' books are on the Recommended Reading Book list for Year 4 and Year 6 this week.

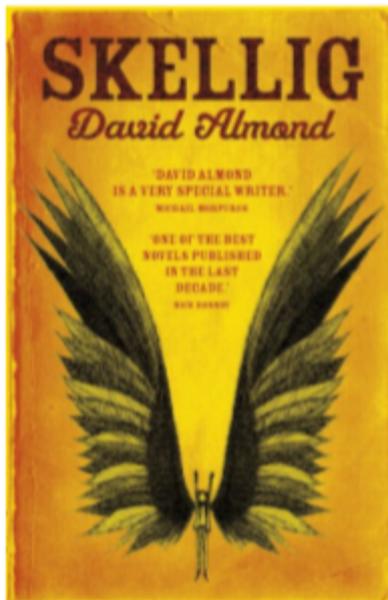
### **The Iron Man by Ted Hughes**



I think the Iron Man is a great book; it is interesting and has lots of adventure included in it. My favourite part is when the group of children have to find the parts and put him back together. People who DO NOT like happy-ever-after fairy tales, will LOVE this book. I would recommend it to some of my friends in Year 4: Mason; Shay, Lucas and Edward. I also think children who like Dr Who or scary books will enjoy it.

Ellison  
Year 4

### **Skellig by David Almond**



Michael moves with his family into a new home, where, to his surprise, he discovers a creature (Skellig) which eats mice, owls and bluebottle flies living in the ramshackle garage. While his mum and seriously ill baby sister are in hospital, Michael strikes up a relationship with Skellig.

This was a strangely gripping story – even at the end I wasn't sure if Skellig was a human or an animal! Although I couldn't put the book down, sometimes it was frustrating because I wasn't sure of the plot – it just wasn't easy to predict what was going to happen next! However, it was full of suspense and I wanted to know what was going to happen to the characters. There's a gap between my wall and my new wardrobe in my bedroom and I kept thinking – as I was reading- that Skellig was in the gap!!

I would recommend this book for children who like to be a little bit scared, but not terrified. It's quite a short book so it doesn't take long to read.

Lilly  
Year 6

# SCHOOL NOTICES PAGES

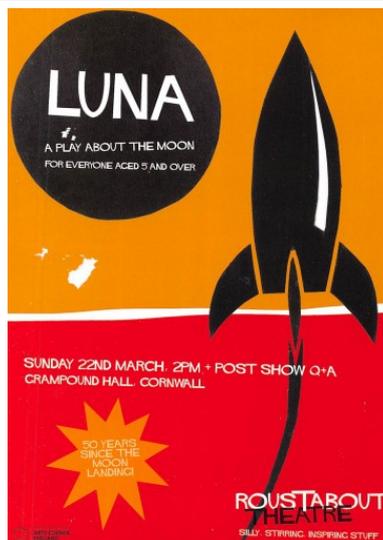
## Coronavirus update:

The government is monitoring Coronavirus and taking action at home and abroad. There is currently no vaccine to prevent COVID-19. The best way to prevent infection is to avoid being exposed to the virus.

There are general principles anyone can follow to help prevent the spread of respiratory viruses: :

- washing your hands often - with soap and water, or use alcohol sanitiser if handwashing facilities are not available. This is particularly important after taking public transport
- covering your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throwing the tissue in a bin. See Catch it, Bin it, Kill it
- people who feel unwell should stay at home and should not attend work or any education or childcare setting
- use an alcohol-based hand sanitiser that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available
- avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands
- avoid close contact with people who are unwell
- clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces

if you are worried about your symptoms or those of a child or colleague, please call NHS 111. Do not go directly to your GP or other healthcare environment.



## Behaviours That Challenge

Drop In Support Group

- Do you find your child's behaviour challenging?
- Would some friendly support and advice be helpful?

If you would like to be able to talk in confidence and meet other parents with similar challenges, then come along. We are here to help and support you!

- All parents and carers are welcome

**Behaviours that challenge Drop in Support Group**  
Wednesdays 12.30-2.30pm

St Dennis Family Hub PL26 8AY	Newquay Family Hub TR7 2LU
18 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2019
20 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	11 <sup>th</sup> December 2019
15 <sup>th</sup> January 2020	12 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
18 <sup>th</sup> March 2020	15 <sup>th</sup> April 2020
20 <sup>th</sup> May 2020	10 <sup>th</sup> June 2020
15 <sup>th</sup> July 2020	

**Contact us for more information**  
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Call: 01726 74969

**CORNWALL COUNCIL**  
www.cornwall.gov.uk

**Together for Families**  
www.cornwall.gov.uk

## Community Connections

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March  
2pm until 5pm

Unit K (The old Eden Cafe) and Unit D (next to Halifax)  
**St Austell Town Centre**

Come and join groups, clubs and organisations in and around St Austell to:

- Discover what's on in your area that you can take part in, activity groups, clubs and voluntary groups etc
- Find out about opportunities to give your time to help others
- Discover how much is happening in and around your town@ypc.org.uk

"Drop in anytime"

## Celtic Cross Education Initial Teacher Training Open Sessions

As part of our Initial Teacher Training School Direct programme, we are holding Trust Open Sessions for anyone interested in training to be a teacher with CCE.

The sessions are on:

Wednesday 18th March from 6.00pm at Unit 15, Victoria Trading Estate, Victoria Business Park

Wednesday 25th March from 2.00pm at Bishop Bronescombe School

Wednesday 29th April from 2.00pm at St Michael's Helston

Light refreshments will be provided

These sessions are an opportunity to listen to information about the School Direct process, meet some of the Trust leaders who will be delivering training, visit some of the schools involved and generally find out more about what is involved in teacher training within a CCE Trust school.

If you are interested in attending any of the events please inform us by email using [ITT@celticcross.education](mailto:ITT@celticcross.education) stating which event you would like to attend.

We look forward to meeting you.



### Reminder -

The drop off zone should **NOT** be used for parking, but to stop, drop and go!

We have been alerted to a few near misses and want to ensure our pupils are safe.

Look out for the 'BB Friends' Tuck Shop'  
Every Thursday after school in the ark, until  
the end of term.

50p a bag.



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

Please note: Whilst we may advertise clubs, activities or organisations in our newsletter, Bishop Bronescombe School are not responsible for carrying out checks on these external groups. Parents/carers should ensure that they are satisfied that the correct insurance, qualifications and DBS checks are in place to ensure the welfare of their children if they participate or attend such events/clubs etc.