



# Veryan Primary School News



Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2017

## Happy New Year!

We hope you all enjoyed the Christmas break, and that your children were excited about coming back to school and engaging in their learning.

There is no doubt that the end of the Autumn term was a very busy one and we would like to reiterate our thanks to you all for your support with the various events which took place, not to mention all the generous gifts you bestowed upon the staff.

We are continuing with our daily structure where children are encouraged to be in school by 8:45am in order to go into class to start some fun maths activities which will support their learning and rapid recall of multiplication and tables and number bonds. The official start of the day remains at 8:55am, but we are finding that our children benefit from 'morning maths' if you can possibly get them here in time.

This week we have started our immersive approach to the curriculum which sees a topic chosen and developed by the children interwoven into all curricular areas. It was very exciting to see the children inspired by the introduction to their new topics and they are now looking forward to the exciting trips planned over the next few weeks. We will be hosting an immersive curriculum open afternoon on the 23rd March at 1.30pm, if you like to come and find out more.

## Welcome to Miss Blayney

We would like to welcome Miss Blayney to Veryan School. Miss Blayney joins us from School Centred Initial Teacher Training (SCITT) and has already been in one of our other Trust schools. She will be working with the children in Kiberick class until the end of this term.



## "When I grow up I want to be..."



Carne class had a lovely time on Tuesday morning sharing and talking about what they would like to be when they grow up!

## What makes Britain great?



Kiberick class had a very special visitor on Tuesday – Winston Churchill lead the class in their activities. The children enjoyed all sorts of experiences including an air raid and building their own Spitfire planes.

## School transport

We have recently been advised of some changes to the areas around Veryan school which are eligible for free school transport. The information below has been sent from Cornwall Council:



*As part of our statutory duties in relation to school transport, Cornwall Council must provide transport free of charge to pupils who live within walking distance of their nearest (or designated) suitable school, but the route is considered unsuitable for pedestrian use.*

*The Council's Pedestrian Route Assessment Policy (copy attached), which was updated in April 2016, sets out how routes will be assessed to determine whether they are suitable for pedestrian use in response to concerns raised by parents/carers.*

*We have recently added information on the route assessment policy to the Council's website, alongside a full list of all routes which have been assessed and classified as unsuitable walking routes since April 2016. You can access this at:*

<http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/school-transport/unsuitable-walking-routes-to-school/pedestrian-route-assessments/>

*Pupils will be eligible if they:*

- attend your school as their nearest or designated school (or were allocated a place as it was the nearest school with room);
- live within walking distance (up to two miles for children in Reception to Year 3, three miles for Years 4 to 11); and
- the route would require them to walk along a route classified by Cornwall Council as an unsuitable walking route.

*If you believe your child may be eligible for transport on this basis, you can complete a pupil transport application form, which can be found at:*

<http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schooltransport>



Many happy returns to Charlie G who celebrates his birthday this week, we hope you have a great day Charlie!

## Attendance

The expected average percentage attendance for a child is 96%.

In the last week of term the attendance level of each class was:

- Carne Class – 78.8%
- Pendower Class – 85.7%
- Kiberick Class – 86.2%

Congratulations Kiberick class you are this week's...



Mrs Greenaway would like a supply of twigs for the children to make miniature houses.



If you are able to help with this please hand in to the school office or to Mrs Greenaway in Carne class. Thank you.



## Spring term dates dates for your diary...

**3<sup>rd</sup> January 2017 - New term begins**

**9<sup>th</sup> January – Pendower Class**

trip to Truro Fire Station (see individual letters for details.)

**23<sup>rd</sup> January** – Veryan Parent forum 6pm Kiberick2

**2<sup>nd</sup> February** – Carne class trip to Pizza Express (letters sent home with more details closer to the time)

**3<sup>rd</sup> February** – MAT School Council conference – The immersive curriculum, sharing our learning.

**13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> February – Half term**

**21<sup>st</sup> February** – Carne trip to Tesco (letters sent home with more details closer to the time)

**23<sup>rd</sup> February** – Pendower trip to Tesco (letters sent home with more details closer to the time)

**23<sup>rd</sup> March** – Open Afternoon – the immersive curriculum

**29<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> March** – Year 5 Residential to London

**31<sup>st</sup> March – Last day of term**

**27<sup>th</sup> June** – Year 6 transition day to The Roseland followed by parents' evening at The Roseland at 6.30pm





Our focus this week has been on 'Presentation'

Our student of the week for:

Kiberick class – Jemima Hetherington

Pendower class – Daraka Smith

Carne class – Rosie Bullen



Our **Achiever Awards** this week go to:

Kiberick class – Evie Hepworth & Chloe Taylor

Pendower class – William Wilson & Amy Bullen

Carne class – William Kendle & Aliyah Bristow

## Electronic Newsletter

If you would like our weekly newsletter emailed to you, we would **love** to send it to you!

Please email your request to

[vrsecretary@stpiranscross.co.uk](mailto:vrsecretary@stpiranscross.co.uk)



After School Clubs will start next week (beg 10<sup>th</sup> January) and will run until the end of term on 31<sup>st</sup> March. Please note that Mrs Hayes club on a Thursday will change from 'Make and do' to 'Gardening' club after half term.

Clubs should be booked in advance on

[www.parenteveningsystem.co.uk](http://www.parenteveningsystem.co.uk)

Monday - No club

Tuesday – Fun SATs Club

(All year 6 children are expected to attend this fun and exciting SATs preparation led by Miss Moore)

Wednesday – 'Wake and Shake'

(Music and dance with Mrs Greenaway)

Thursday – 'Make and Do'

(Crafts with Mrs Hayes for first half of term. Changing to Gardening club for second half of term)

Friday – Friday Club

(Lead by Year 6 children, Mrs Hawkins and Mrs Hocking.)

Plea from Mrs Hayes – If anyone has any art and craft materials including junk modelling boxes etc. These would be gratefully received. Please hand in to the school office.

## School Applications

If your child was born between 1 September 2012 and 31 August 2013, you will need to apply for a school place for September 2017. **The deadline for applications is 15 January 2017.** The outcome of applications made by 15 January 2017 will be sent out on the National Offer Day of **18 April 2017.**

Full application details are available for parents on this site:

<http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/school-admissions/>



*Our next Messy Church is on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> January at 4pm. We look forward to seeing you as we think about the wise men and the new year. We shall begin with craft so no worries if you can't make it at 4pm. Just come when you can.*

*You are all welcome to our home (address below) for drinks and nibbles from 5pm onwards into the evening. It's an early start so young children can come. Look forward to seeing you.*

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VERYAN MARKET

First Saturday of every month

10.30 - 12.30

VERYAN PARISH HALL

Home Baking, Local Meat & Veg,

Preserves, Plants, Handicrafts & more

Meet up with friends and enjoy coffee & homemade cakes

We would love to see you there!

