

Veryan Primary School News



Friday 16th June 2017

Welcome back!

We hope everyone had an enjoyable break (despite our less than perfect summer weather!?) The children have quickly settled back into their school routines and we are looking forward to a busy and exciting half term ahead.

Parent Forum:

Many thanks to those parents who were able to join the parent forum discussion on Wednesday. The passion and support for Veryan school is always incredibly evident, not just by the attendance, but also the sensible challenges and questions that are raised. It was great to have Miss Willcock with us who will be our new Head of School in September. There will be plenty more opportunities to meet Miss Willcock during the last few weeks of term if you haven't already.

The main discussion points were as follows:

- Parent questionnaires parents wanted to know what would happen to these questionnaires. It was explained that the responses would be collated and the results shared with parents, governors and the central team. The responses specific to the MAT will also be shared with the new CEO if the merger goes ahead.
- 2. Staffing parents are still concerned about the dramatic change to staffing in September. The reasons for the changes in staffing were explained and parents were reassured that there would be opportunities for parents and children to meet the new staff. It was suggested that children need to be spoken to to ensure they understand the new staffing arrangements. This will be done in the next few weeks when the final Teaching Assistant position has been filled.
- School Promotion the importance of growing the school was discussed and various suggestions made as to how the school can be promoted.

The next parent forum will now take place in the Autumn term – date to be confirmed.

Carne and Pendower Class trip.



On Tuesday both Carne and Pendower class enjoyed a trip to Blue Reef Aquarium in Newquay. Thank you to all the parent helpers and drivers

who made this trip possible. The trip was perfect for both classes as part of their respective immersive curriculum topics and was a super way

to start our new term.



Lobster Hatchery at Veryan School

On Wednesday we welcomed Cat into our school to talk to us about the Lobster Hatchery at Padstow and the work they do there. Cat brought along some live examples and shared these with the children. More information about the Hatchery can be found on their website at: www.nationallobsterhatchery.co.uk













PE kits – we generally have PE on Wednesdays and Thursdays but want to make the most of the good weather and grasp every opportunity we can to take part in sporting activities. It would help if every child had a PE kit in school which they leave in school for the whole week/term.

After school clubs – These will start again on Tuesday 20th June and run until Friday 14th July. Bookings can be made at <u>www.veryan.parentseveningsystem.co.uk</u>

Library Books - Mrs Oldham will now be in <u>every Tuesday</u> to help the children change their books.



Dogs – For the comfort of all the children please can we ask that dogs are left at the school gate and not taken into the playground. Thank you for your understanding.

Reading Lotto – Reception class-Year 6 children are encouraged to read at home every night. As an incentive any child who has read at least 4 times in a week and has their reading record signed by a parent/guardian will be entered into a reading lotto. Each class has their own reading lotto every week and the child's name picked at random from the 'hat' can choose their prize from the box in the school office!

Tuck – Most morning break times our year 6 children sell 'Tuck' this is usually a small cup of cereal, a cereal bar or fruit. This is part of the year 6 intiative to raise money for their own leaving celebrations and for a gift that they give to the school to remember them by at the end of the summer term. Children are welcome to bring a small amount of money (approximately 20-30p) to buy tuck if they wish in a named purse/wallet.

Charity non-uniform day



My name is Julie Flack and I'm Elowen and Ruan's mum.

On August 12th I am running in the challenging 20 mile Roseland August Trail race to raise money for 2 charities very close to my heart; Ronald Mcdonald House, that looks after the families of very poorly children and the Cranio Facial unit at John Radcliffe Hospital. If you would like to help get my legs over all those headlands, please sponsor me as I need all the puff I can muster!

The school have kindly agreed to hold a nonuniform day on **Friday 21st July** to help me in my fundraising efforts. If your child would like to take part and donate £1 to wear their own sporty themed non uniform they will also be entered into a draw to win a small prize I would like to give.

£1 donations can be made on the day in a pot at reception or online using your Parentpay account.

I've written a little piece on my fundraising page to explain why these charities are so special to me at <u>http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/JulieFlack</u>

Cross Country

As you may know the Cross Country Festival which was to be held at Veryan playing fields had to be postponed last term due to the weather. Sadly the Roseland Academy has had to take the decision that as so many other activities and residential camps are happening across all the schools the Cross Country will now not be able to go ahead this academic year. But don't worry if long distance is your forte – we will still have a long distance race in our own school sports day!

Attendance

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

Last week the attendance level of each class was:

- Carne Class –98.5%
- Pendower Class -88.5%
- Kiberick Class –96.5%

Well done Carne class you are this week's...









Our focus this week has been on 'behaviour and trust'

Our student of the week for: Kiberick class – Evie Hepworth Pendower class – Toria Vincent Carne class – Ruan Flack



Our Achiever Awards this week go to:

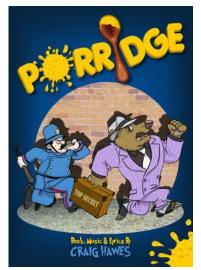
Kiberick class – Alfie Young & Hebby Shreck Pendower class – Elijah Rylance-Riddle



& Evie Lobb Carne class – Zach Knowles & Ben Duce Our lunchtime award this week

goes to Alfie B and Chloe Taylor for being so helpful setting up for lunches and to Mimi and Daisy St Barbe for settling so well into the

new routines. Well done all of you!



KS2 Summer production

Some of you may remember that Mrs Paull and Mrs Clarke have helped over many years to produce some fantastic costumes and props for our school productions and we can't thank them enough for all their hard work. They have kindly agreed to help again this year and Miss Moore has written a list of some of the more unusual props that you may be able to help us with:

Microphones (these do not have to be in working order) Old telephone Plastic cheese Pig puppet Catapult Handcuffs



4 SUITCASES (of similar size and design so they can be disguised as the same!)

If you are able to provide any of the above items please inform Miss Moore or the school office. Thank you for your ongoing support.



As many of you will be aware we had a technical issue with Parentpay this week with the menus shifting on the options list. As a result we have checked with your children every morning that they have what they would like for lunch. We are very sorry for this inconvenience and Mrs Allan is working hard with Parentpay to fix the problem and will inform you as soon as possible when things are back to normal.



Summer term dates dates for your diary...

19th - 23rd June – Year 6 Barton Hall Residential 26th June – Library summer reading challenge visit
27th June - Year 6 transition day to The Roseland followed by parent's evening at The Roseland at 6.30pm
28th June - Veryan Sports Day at Veryan Sports and Social ground

10th **July** – Reception 'graduation' trip to Seal Sanctuary Gweek (letters to come home with more details) **12**th **&13**th **July** – KS2 Summer Performance (more details to follow)

17th July – School transition day – 'move up taster day'
 21st July – Year 6 prom Bishop Bronsecombe School 6pm

26th July – Leaver's assembly & awards presentation

9.10am (more details to follow)

26th July – Last day of term finish at 1.30pm



