





SPRING TERM - NEWSLETTER - Issue 15 23rd June 2023

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## **Head of School Blog..**

Happy Friday everyone,

I hope you have all been coping ok in the heat? It has been three weeks since our last newsletter and so much has happened. Our treat day with the children at Pendower beach was a huge hit. It was such an achievement for many who hadn't walked that far before and everyone did really well, keeping in high spirits on a very warm walk. And my, weren't we rewarded when we arrived at the beach? The cool water from the stream made for a very enthusiastic water fight along with some delicious ice pops to refresh us. The staff were rewarded too, with yips and happy squeals of children doing their best work, hard at play; a real highlight being the repeated phrase from many of the children, "this is the best day ever." Aagh, a sigh of satisfaction from us all. As well as a muchdeserved treat at the beach we have had so many other highlights with the children continuing to put their best foot forwards in their learning. We were honoured with a visit from our new Reverend and Oversight Minister for the Roseland Parishes this week, Father Douglas Wren. Our team of Spiritual Mentors showed him around the school and told him about their duties and responsibilities. Well done team, you did us proud. We are looking forward to working with Father Wren a little more in the future. I can't not mention our fantastic Residential at Porthpean outdoor education centre. Sleep was not on the agenda for this trip but despite the lack of rest the children squeezed every ounce of fun and adventure out of the two days we spent there. From Mega Sup Pirating and sliding, seal spotting and sea swimming and kayaking to climbing walls, caving and archery. Our musles ached and our bones were tired but we all wanted to stay longer. The instructors at Porthpean credited the children for being one of the most fun groups to work with and their epic paddling and confidence meant we could venture further than other groups. Well done year 5 and 6! I hope you all enjoy some of the recounts by the children in this week's newsletter.

Best Wishes and have a wonderful weekend!

Miss Goodall



## **DIARY DATES...**

- FAMILY WORSHIP EVERY FRIDAY 14:30
- Wrap around daily (payable on ParentPay)
- 28/06/23 Class photos with Tempest
- 29/06/23 Year 6 'move up' day at the Roseland
- 03/06/23 NEW SPORTS DAY DATE, packed-lunch required
- 04/07/23 Y4 and Y5 sailing morning, transport confirmed
- 04/07/23 Y6 leavers trip to Flambards
- 07/07/23 'Open the Book' in Church
- 10/07/23 Y6 Art transition day at the Roseland
- 11/07/23 Whole school full dress rehearsal of show, morning
- 11/07/23 Y4 and Y5 sailing, afternoon, transport dependant
- 12/07/23 End Of Year Show 17:30, on the green like last year
- 14/07/23 MAF activity day
- 20/07/23 End of year lunch, pizza or burger, book on Parent Pay
- 21/07/23 Leavers service
- 21/07/23 Last day of School!

## **Attendance**

Our Attendance this week;

Carne Class - 100%

Pendower Class - 100%

Kiberick Class - 96.5%

TOTAL - 98.83%

## Can you help?...

We are working to improve our school reception area and would like some large palms or similar. Does anybody have any large pots, or even unwanted large pots?

Thank you!



The children in Carne showed a great interest in volcanoes. We read about them in books and watched footage of a volcano erupting and then decided to make our own.

First we moulded our volcano around a bottle using sat dough. It took more than 2 weeks to dry!

When it dried, we thought about which colours to mix to get dark grey and then we painted our volcano.

Finally, we were ready for the great eruption!

We mixed red water with washing up liquid, then added bicarbonate of soda and vinegar and as they Mixed together, a chemical reaction occurred and Wow! The volcano erupted!

The children were so excited that they made it happen again and again.























































Since coming back from half term years 1, 2 and 3 have been focusing on a new book - Eliot the Midnight Superhero. We have been designing our very own superheroes and writing character descriptions about them. In ks2 in topic we have continued to learn about the ancient Egyptians by finding out about the role of a pharaoh and started our new science unit about food and the digestive system, beginning with food chains and food webs. Years 2, 3 and 4 have been learning about statistics in Maths. They conducted their own surveys, on a topic of their choice, and presented the data they found in pictograms, block diagrams, bar charts and line graphs. Here you can see us conducting our surveys with members of stay and play...











Our whole school treat to the beach was so much fun! "the best day ever" even...



































A huge thank you to everyone for joining in on the Rainbow run, it was so much fun, everyone looked amazing all covered in rainbow powder paint. It was also a fantastic success as we raised a whopping £359.50, this is incredible for such a small school, so thank you all.





For more photos and pictures of our amazing residential keep an eye on the Facebook page...





## Rosie's Camp Experience

My favourite activity at Porthpean Outdoor Centre was caving, it was hard but I got used to it. It was challenging because it was cramped with so many tiny spaces that I had to move my body through. It would have been really dark if it wasn't for my helmet, that brightened it up. Everybody lost their way on one of the trails they did, but there were safety exits which made it more reassuring. There were many cool things to see on the walls of the caves, such as hand-prints and cave drawings, I even came across a cave with a giant fossil on the roof. It felt like I was in an escape room, without any clues, except for the trail clues. The best trail was the Serpent trail, it was longer, more adventurous and intimidating!

## That time I swam around with seals in the open sea, watching teachers get dragged into the water.

We started on the "Mega SUP" (Stand Up Paddleboard) the moment we had finished our sandwiches. After we were on the paddleboard for about 10 minutes we saw our first seal: Mannie. We saw another seal 5 minutes later called Sevesta. 8 minutes later we turned up to our first beach. We docked there for 10 minutes before we sailed for 5 minutes on what we called the "Black Pearl" (Which was actually just our nickname for the "Mega SUP"). We docked at our last beach for 2 hours.

There was a free for all on the mega SUP that I watched from the open sea.

Maggie and Sevesta were closer than ever now.

I watched as the last round of the free for all came to a close and all the teachers got dragged off the Mega SUP.

People were jumping off the Mega SUP and into the deep, seal inhabited waters. After that we kayaked back to beach one.

At beach one we docked there for 10 minutes before we went back to the camp on the main beach in Porthpean.

Unexpectedly, I broke my hand playing football 4 hours later.

## The End

By Teddy Stephens /Edwin Stephens /Edwin Ostyn Stephens.

Thank you for reading

## The Barn

Our favorite activities were held in the barn. They are climbing and caving! It all started at 10 o'clock in the morning. We were both nervous because we were afraid of heights and had never done anything like that before. Benjie started on the 16th wall. It was slanted forward a bit which made it easier to climb, and he achieved halfway up the wall on the first attempt. Reaching further up the wall on every go, Benjie achieved his goal of reaching the top on his third attempt! Edward started on the 10th wall, it was vertically pointing to the sky, causing him to have less balance due to gravity. Reaching 3 quarters of the way up on his first go Edward was proud of himself. On his second try he reached the top and barely hit the buzzer. After an hour of tiring climbing everyone moved on to caving! One of Edward's favorites. Benjie was scared, worried and thought to himself "what if i get stuck?" After all, he was going into one of the longest cave tunnels in the UK! Nervous but intrigued, Benjie took a long deep breath and braved it; after the 'Arrows of Imitation' trail Benjie was loving it! Edward completed the 'Burning Bends' and both of them met up and went down the 'Slithering Serpent' searching for oval pieces of wood to complete a riddle. Whizzing through the challenge, they earned 15 minutes free time in the caves. Confident but still a tad nervous, they completed half of the 'Captured by the Cobra'. The hardest tunnel route.

## By Benjie and Edward

## <u>CAVING</u> By Kayden

I was nervous at first because I thought I was going to get stuck but then I made it through the tightest cave with my friend George P. He led the way to the exit into a big dome where we could have a break. We kept going head first because there was not enough space to go legs first, I was terrified to go head first. However, I did it when one of my other friends joined us called, George T. We had ten minutes to go wherever we wanted in the cave. We kept on going in the same cave multiple times. It was getting easier every time. The leader shouted "you have 5 minutes left", so we started going really quickly, trying all of the courses, bumping into our classmates and so we hurried to get out. I hurt myself on the way out.

## <u>LUNCH</u>

We were all hungry and running in a riot. We got handed sandwiches and crisps, munched on them and had some juice and then played football.

## An amazing water adventure

We started off by getting out kayaks and a massive paddle board. We all walked them to the edge of the sea, got everyone on either a kayak and everyone else on the massive paddle board. It was very choppy on the way out of the beach .Once we got out a bit from the beach it was a bit calmer. We paddled hard and saw a few seals. They were so cute and their heads kept popping up and down like one of those arcade games that the heads pop up on and have the hammer . On the way we name all of them. Then we landed on one beach and it was nice but not for what we wanted to do and there was one couple there having a peaceful time and we didn't want to disturb them .So our instructor Seth paddled over to the beach along the coast to check it was empty. It was like a life of emptiness on an island in lanzarote; it felt like you were the only people on earth . Then we played king of the castle so we had to frow each other off the paddle board then we slowly made are way home and walked back to the camp then that was the end of our day .

## The asthmatic seagull

On our first day of camp, we spent the day at the beach which was super awesome and when we got back to the campsite we were all excited. Us children were running around our tents all excited, and the adults were unpacking our kit from our beach day and in all that excitement, a seagull managed to sneak up on us all and grab my inhaler! As quick as Usain bolt, Miss Young leaped up and chased after it but sadly she didn't get it. We lost all hope of finding it until the next day when I was waking past a building. To my complete surprise, the inhaler was on the roof with the box next to it and standing protectively next to his treasure was the fearsome seagull guarding it. Luckily, one of the nice members of staff at Porthpean outdoor education centre climbed onto the roof and got it back for me. By Isaac.

## <u>Mega SUP</u>

Firstly, we arrived at Porthpean camping center and met our instructors of the day. At 11:15, we had our welcome meeting with Matt (the owner of the outside education center) where he told us where everything was and welcomed us to our tents, we unpacked all of our stuff and got into our wetsuits. Once we were all ready, we had a walk (that took approximately 20 minutes.) down to the beach. When we arrived at the beach, we went into a little shed that had all our equipment in. In there we put our drink bottles and sun cream. Excitedly, we got into the cooling water for a quick half-an-hour swim (some people played hot potato with a plastic rocket toy) Arriving later, Miss Goodall got back from getting us our lunch (from asda) we got out, dried off

## Preloved Uniform

Preloved and affordable Veryan School uniform now available, please check it out. We will continue to collect items that are no longer required to make them available to others that could us e them, I can collect these in the office. Any money made from the sales will go towards projects or trips for the children.







Argyle Academy Open Sessions (Under 6/Year 1 and Under 7/Year 2)

## **PENRYN**



## BODMIN 14TH JULY



## **PLYMOUTH**

7TH JULY



## **NEWTON ABBOT OKEHAMPTON**

10TH JULY



20TH JULY



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Every Friday Morning 11:00-12:00

Bring your 2-5 year olds (younger siblings welcome) Booking essential To Enquire please call 01872 501431

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# FOOTBALL SATURDAY MORNINGS

## WHEN

9am-10am Reception Class/Yr1 9am-10:30am Years 2-7



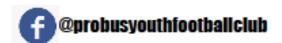
## DETAILS

All abilities welcome Qualified FA coaches No need to book

## BRING

Football boots AND trainers Suitable clothing Shin pads Drink

**NO NEED TO BOOK, JUST TURN UP READY TO PLAY!** 



## **EACH SATURDAY**

In association with Probus Youth Football Club

AGES Reception to Yr 7

PRICE
Reception/Yr1 £4
Yr2- Yr7 £5

## COACHES Steve Flack Will Ferguson

Other PYFC coaches

## Outdoor football skills, drills and matches with experienced coaches



## Free School Meals

If you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals the criteria and link you will need to follow are below. Not only would your child receive free meals but this enables the school to access additional funding. If you would apply by post please contact the office for a paper application form.

## Free school meals eligibility criteria if you receive benefits

A child is eligible for free school meals if their parent/carer (or the child themselves) receives any of the following benefits:

Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods).

Income Support (IS)

Job Seekers' Allowance (Income-Based) and equal based Job Seekers Allowance

Income Related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA-IR) and equal based Employment and Support Allowance

Child Tax Credit (CTC) with an annual income of less than £16,190

Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

Guarantee Element of Pension Credit (GPC)

Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 (IAA) Supports

If you are claiming the benefits listed below you are not eligible for free school meals. This is regardless of what other benefits/credits are being claimed.

**Working Tax Credit** 

Contribution-Based Job Seeker's Allowance and/or Contribution-Based Employment and Support Allowance

## Link to Cornwall Council Website for Free School Meals

https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schools-and-education/schools-and-colleges/school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals-and-pupil-premium/







## Cornwall Music Education Hub



If you have a LOVE and TALENT for singing, join us for a taster session and audition at one of our rehearsals. We sing many different styles of music and work with professional vocal mentors. The choirs have performed at many venues across the country and we will be returning to perform at the Royal Albert Hall in November 2021.



You can audition for the following choirs:

Cornwall Boys and Cornwall Girls (Y4-Y7/8)



Cornwall County Youth Choir

(Y7/8 depending on voice maturity - Y13)

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