Newsletter



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This week Benjy was awarded to **Kingfishers** who had **92.5%** attendance between 17/11 & 23/11 Congratulations **Swans.**



Learner of the Week, Writer of the Week & Good News Tree

Congratulations to the following children who were presented with these awards in our celebration assembly this week;

Swans -

Learner of the Week: Lyla Good News Tree: Buddy Hand writer of the Week: Ella

Avocets -

Learner of the Week: Bella Good News Tree: Lily Hand writer of the Week: Ivan

Kingfishers –
Learner of the Week: Kodah
Good News Tree: AJ
Hand writer of the Week: Ronnie

Rod and line

Thank you to everyone who attended the Harvest Festival at the Rod and Line on Thursday 23rd November. The children sang beautifully and hopefully a lot of money was raised for the Hospice South West at the Auction.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

30/10/23 - 19/12/23 - Autumn 2 term

28/11/23 PTA meeting 9am

01/12/23 Christmas Craft- Christmas Jumper

05/12/23 KS2 –Tamar Bridge Trip

06/12/23 Rocksteady end of term concert

06/12/23 Wreath Making Workshop (booking essential)

08/12/23 Toy/Book/Bake Sale 2:30pm-3:30pm

12/12/23 Christmas Dinner day

13/12/23 Whole School Christmas Play/Concert

19/12/23 Christmas Movie

19/12/23 Last day of term, 2pm dismissal

Ofsted

The School was notified on Monday 13th of November of the intended Section 5 Ofsted Inspection on Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th of November. The inspectors looked at the Quality of Education, Behaviour and Attitudes, Personal Development and Leadership and Management. Furthermore, they made judgements of our provision for Safeguarding and Early Years. They conducted deep dives in Early Reading, Mathematics and History and we are now awaiting the draft report.



Exciting news for Wellbeing Club - we recently took part in a competition to design a 'Perfect Pet', which could be real or imagined. Children who chose to complete and submit their designs have been recognised for their creativity. Some designs have even been chosen to appear in a book which is due to be published to celebrate the fantastic outcomes from children nationwide! WOW! We look forward to receiving a copy of the book to share with the children in school.

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National Marine Aquarium visit

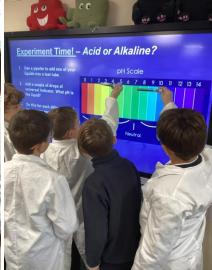
Climate Themed Workshop and Assembly

What a fantastic, fun morning our children in Years 4, 5 and 6 had learning about climate change with the National Marine Aquarium.

The children had the opportunity to conduct experiments and use VR headsets to learn about our oceans.

The whole school then had an engaging assembly to deepen the children's understanding about climate change and the impact living sustainably can have on our planet.





More pictures have been shared on our Facebook page.







Avocets and Kingfishers class had a wonderful time at Shaugh Bridge last week, with lots of challenges and new expereinces, including team building, hiking and cooking.

This was an amazing opportunity for them to get out of school, to experience the great outdoors – thankfully the weather was kind to us!

We would like to thank all the staff and volunteers that made this trip possible.



Our School Council and Eco Team members would like to hold a sale on Friday 8th December to raise funds for future projects. If you have any donations - toys, books, games & cakes, please bring them to the office during the week of the 4-8th December. We will start the sale at 2:30pm to give parents the opportunity to browse for any Christmas bargains before the children are dismissed at 3:15pm.



We raised £40.25 from our Mufti-Day on Friday. Thank you to all those that donated.



Socks

Do you have any spare socks that would be suitable for our KS1 and EYFS children? With lots of outdoor and puddle fun we are having to provide spare socks quite frequently and our supply is running out!



Saltash Christmas Tree Festival

The children have been getting into the festive spirit this week, making decorations for the Saltash Festival- and what an amazing job they have done!

This event is taking place in St Nicolas and St Faith Church. The trees will be on show from Saturday 25th November until Friday 15th December inclusive. For more details please visit https://saltashteamministry.org/christmas-tree-festival.html

The tree will then be moved into St Germans Priory Church.



Chance to Shine Award

In today's celebration assembly we were delighted to be presented with a framed award and cricket equipment from Cornwall Cricket. The award 'School of Term 1', was a celebration of our participation in the 'chance to shine' cricket programme. Well done children.



Please can we ask you not to park in the turning bay when dropping off or collecting your child. By blocking this area, some parents have experienced difficulty maneuvering out of the carpark.



Our PTA will be meeting on Tuesday 28th @ 9am to discuss fundraising ideas for 2024. If you would like to join the team, please do come along. The meeting will be held in school.



Christmas Craft Day

Next Friday (1st December) we are having our annual craft day, to make decorations for the school tree. Children are invited to wear a Christmas themed jumper into school that day.



On Tuesday the 5th December we will be taking our KS2 children to the Tamar Bridge learning centre. Kingfishers class will be taking part in an interactive workshop exploring the history of the Industrial Revolution – helping to deepen their learning about the Victorian Era. Avocets class will participate in a levers and pulleys session, exploring more about the science behind the Tamar Bridge.

This trip has been made possible by a generous donation from the Friends of St Germans.

More details to follow next week.





