## **Buryan Bulletin**

We have had another exciting week here at St Buryan Academy!

We kicked off the new half term with our Halloween disco on Monday. We had a great time and there were some impressive dance moves on show! A big thank you to those from the Friends of School who helped supervise and supply snacks.

We were visited later in the week by Kellie Williams, who ran our cricket sessions before half term on behalf of Cornwall Cricket. All children learnt new skills and loved the lessons. It was also great to see Kellie back at St Buryan school as a former pupil of ours. We were extremely grateful to be nominated as 'School of the Month' from Cornwall Cricket; Kellie came in to present us with the award and free 'quick-cricket' equipment to use in school! Kellie will be looking to start up youth cricket again at St Buryan cricket club so look out for more information on this later in the school year.

This week we have been making 'Guys' for the village's bonfire at Community House this weekend. It is great to be getting involved with community events once more. We remind all of our children to stay safe and aware if attending any fireworks this weekend.

We have postponed our parental meetings until the week commencing 15th November as we wanted to consider how we offered them We have made the decision that we will host an 'alternate parental evening' where we will invite parents from each class into the school hall on one afternoon from 2.45pm-3.30pm. Each class will have a designated afternoon (Porthcurno will have 2 afternoons due to their larger class size) where parents will be welcomed into the school hall to see some of the work they have done this year so far. Each child will have a designated table showcasing some of their work from the term so far. Your child's class teacher will be in the hall to talk to each child's parents and should anything further need to be discussed then an appointment can be arranged. We will be putting some restrictions in place and all information, as well as confirmation of your attendance, will go out in an email today.

There are still some families that have not yet updated contact and child information. If you have not yet done this then please use the link at the end of the newsletter to do so—thank you.

Last week an email was sent out to all families regarding the upcoming nasal flu vaccination. You do not have to reply or complete the link if you wish for your child not to have it. However, if you do wish your child to have the nasal flu vaccination then you must complete the link and use the correct school code as on the letter.

Thank you

Have a great weekend

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#### TERM DATES

6 September - 17 December 2021 (Half term 25-29 October 2021)

4 January - 8 April 2022 (Half term 21-25 February 2022)

25 April - 26 July 2022(Half term 30 May - 3 June 2022)

#### INSETS

17TH DECEMBER 2021 4TH JANUARY 2022 25TH JULY 2022 26TH JULY 2022

PLATINUM JUBILEE: 6TH JUNE 2022

St Buryan Academy Rectory Road St Buryan TR19 6BB www.stburyanacademy.org

Mr McDonald and all at St Buryan Academy

## PENBERTH

This week in Penberth we have been busy practising making words with the sounds we already know and learning new sounds i and n. We loved listening to the story of 'Pumpkin Soup'. We had great fun creating firework pictures and experimented with mixing colours together to make different colours. We are all making great progress in swimming and each week our confidence increases.

We have been learning all about balance in PE and this week enjoyed using some of our gym equipment.

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# GWENVER

We have had an exciting week in Gwenver this week! We explored and read about old castles in our history lesson and found out more about Bonfire Night and Guy Fawkes. The children made some beautiful firework pictures using oil pastels at our creation station and revisited our whole block of learning in maths to make sure we were really secure in number bonds to 10 and 20 as well as counting forwards and back-

wards to 50. In music we practised simple tunes with a repeating pattern on the glockenspiels and even had a go at making our own song!



### NANJIZAL

This week we have been learning about earthquakes: what causes them, the different movements of the tectonic plates, the role of a seismometer, the Richter scale, how to keep safe during an earthquake and packing survival bags. In English, we have started our instructional text block. We have looked at the features of instruction texts, the use of imperative verbs and adverbials within them. This week was our first ever forest schools session. The children explored our forest school setting, whittled willow, used flint to start their own mini fires, made a Guy Fawkes for the village bonfire, toasted marshmallows on the camp fire and made smores. The children had an amazing time. Please can you make sure that your child has a separate carrier bag for their wellies.



#### PORTHCURNO

This week Porthcurno Class have been looking at some hidden figures in the advancement of space technology

and travel, three very important women who often get overlooked. This fact finding work will lead on to them writing biographies for these women. In maths, they have been meeting the challenge of some super tricky 4 digit multiplication with great perseverance and determination and we have focused a lot of time on being careful with our presentation to make sure we can clearly see our numbers. As with so many areas of maths, the children have been using their times table knowledge a this week, and it is a strong reminder that



regular practice is important. A huge well done to those children who are doing more than 2 lots of practice at home every week. It was great for the class to get back to the swimming pool after such a long break, they all did really well.

### **STARS OF THE WEEK**

Well done to all of our children on a super week!

This week's winners are:

Rec: Finley for fantastic phonics

Year 1: Harvey for positivity and being a great friend

Year 2: Rupert for terrific times-tables

Year 3: Ruby for a great attitude towards her work

Year 4: Grace for always giving 100%

Year 5: Isaak for great application and effort

Year 6: Oliver for setting high aspirations

### Maths Awards

Every week we either present maths awards or handwriting awards. These are for children that have shown great application in these areas, made progress over the two week period and are really trying their best.

Well done to: Ava, Jowan and Evie

## **KEY DATES**

Week of 15th November: Parental Afternoons

Tuesday 16th November: KS2 Stay Safe Workshop

Tuesday 7th December: Cinderella at Hall for Cornwall

Friday 10th December: Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children (£1 donation)

Wednesday 15th December: Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day—no donation necessary

Thursday 16th December: End of Term (1.30pm finish)

### CONTACTS

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# **Swimming**

Please could all children swimming please now wear swimming caps/hats.

Please remember to make swimming payments through Parent-Mail.

## **REMINDERS**

- Clubs (Mon Rec/KS1 and Fri KS2–both finish 4.30pm)
  - Please ensure uniform is named
- Please make sure that your child has their water bottle and coat daily

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- **Reading Records/Logs in daily**
- Please complete contact form if you have not already: <u>https://forms.gle/xpEc1ST8Y5C6NBa69</u>

# <u>Uniform</u>

As in our uniform policy (available on our school website), we will be reverting to 'Winter uniform' for KS2 children this half term. That being said, we do appreciate that in the current climate uniform is not always accessible at the moment so we will give a grace period until January 2022 for all uniform to be correct. In the meantime, we request that children wear recognised St Buryan Academy uniform and the correct school shoes.

Thank you