# St Buryan Academy Newsletter

#### Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2019



<mark>Key D</mark>ates

-INSET DAY October 18th

-Week of 14<sup>th</sup> Oct. Parental Interview week - review of how your child has settled into their year group timetables to go up soon!

-Half-term October 21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>

-12<sup>th</sup> November Stay Safe Workshop

-Christmas Plays 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> December

-Christmas fete 17<sup>th</sup> December

-End of term: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December

Remember to check reading records for dates regarding class trips

#### **Sickness**

Please remember that we have a '48 hours policy'. This means that a child must stay off school for 48 hours after their last bout of sickness. This is to help prevent any illnesses spreading throughout the school and to ensure all children and staff are well.

Please remember that school starts at 8.55am and all children should be in school ready to go into classes and start their learning by that time.

Thank you හශ

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# Buryan Bulletin

This week I have taken the opportunity to get into classes and see all of the exciting learning taking place, it is great to get into the classrooms and see such an array of learning happening within the school.

We have had children share their toys and stories with residents of St Mary's Haven, others have used their imaginations to discover a prehistoric body in the village and record news stories about the event, whilst others have considered what it would be like to live as a Roman slave and compared it to topical events in the world today.

It has been great to see our Penberth children engage with the community as they maintain their links with St Mary's Haven and it was really pleasing to hear such positive feedback on their trip from everyone. I really enjoyed hearing about what they got up to and what a great experience it was for everyone!

We are passionate about providing the children with an all-round learning experience and we've got an exciting project lined up... we are going to be transforming the lower part of the playing field into a wild, woodland garden and have ordered some trees from the Woodland Trust that should arrive in the early March. This kind of project is for the long term and can develop over time but we are really hoping for help and support from any expertise or enthusiasm along the way that parents and Head of School: Mr Josh McDonald head@stburyanacademy.org St Buryan Academy Tel: 01736 810480

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children can offer. Anyone who is keen to get involved or may be able to offer some help- big or small- then please come and see Mrs Wilson or Mr Mc Donald and we will get your name down.

I would also like to say a huge congratulations to Mrs Wilson as she is pregnant with her third child! Mrs Wilson will be going on maternity leave from February Half Term; we will keep you updated with any maternity cover teaching appointment.

You may remember that in the past we looked at joining a multi-academy trust (MAT), which would mean collaborating with other schools. Recently we have been comparing different MATs as well as the option to remain as a stand-alone academy as we carefully consider the best options for our wonderful school and what is best for the children of St Buryan Academy. We will keep you updated on any developments.

Finally, just a reminder that we finish for Half Term on Thursday at 3.15pm due to Friday being a staff training day.

Have a great weekend,

Mr Iosh McDonald





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## **SBA Newsletter**

#### Friends of St Buryan Academy

Are you interested in helping fundraise for the school and raise funds for the children of St Buryan Academy? This year the focus of fundraising will be to help develop our playground area! If you are interested then pop along to the Friends of St Buryan Academy AGM on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November at

2pm.



#### NASAL FLU LETTER

Everyone received a nasal flu letter last week, however we are aware that the school ID/login has not worked for some. We have contacted Kernow Health and they have informed us that if parents ring: 01872 221105

They will take verbal consent

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### Penberth (Reception/Year 1)

Penberth class have had a really exciting week. We went on our first trip together to visit our new friends at St Mary's Haven. The children thoroughly enjoyed showing the residents their toys and eating delicious cupcakes together. It was real honour to see the pleasure our children gave to the residents. Some of the children showed a real interest in knitting, perhaps this could become a new hobby for them.

#### <u>Gwenver (Year 2)</u>

Gwenver have been doing some fantastic independent writing this week! I have been so impressed with their spelling of key words and how they have been determined to constantly improve their work. In maths we have been looking at how we can represent numbers in various ways.

#### <u>Nanjizal (Year 3/4)</u>

There has been some good team work shown in the designs and models for the shelters we are planning to build next Thursday, I'm looking forward to seeing them come to life! In literacy we have been learning how to answer 'comprehension' questions to show what great understanding we have of what has been read: keep up the reading at home please, I've seen some super progress.

#### Porthcurno (Year 5/6)

Porthcurno have been digging deeper into their Roman's topic this week, considering what life was like for the slaves and Emperors by getting into character and developing role play scenes. In maths they have been considering negative numbers. The class are really adapting well to the new Mastery style of teaching which is encouraging lots of deep thinking and reasoning skills- they are even enjoying trying to catch out the teacher with their tricky questions!

## **Celebration Awards**

We love celebrating our achievements at St Buryan Academy. One of our many ways of praising and recognizing success is through our weekly 'Chuffed Awards' where teachers nominate a member from each class to win an award in our Friday Celebration Assembly. This week's winners are...

Reception - Ava Year 1 - Katie Year 2 - Zola Year 3 - Finley Year 4 - Felix Year 5 - Ebony Year 6 - Joseph

## After-school clubs

We have some brilliant after school clubs this term. Let your classteacher know when you're planning to attend.

(Please note that cooking club is for small numbers and children will rotate half-termly).

#### THERE WILL BE NO CLUBS NEXT WEEK DUE TO PARENTAL INTERVIEWS!

If you haven't signed up for a time please see the timetable outside your child's class as soon as possible to discuss how your child has settled into their new year groups. Please note that all slots are 15 minutes long.

Thank you

#### Safeguarding

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL): Mr J McDonald Deputy DSL and SENCO: Mr M Butterfield Safeguarding Governor Mrs V Hall Parent Liaison Officer: Mrs Care

Please note that if your child attends Breakfast Club (8.00am-8.45am) there is a £1 cost which should be payable daily or at the end of the week. Thank you.