# St Buryan Academy Newsletter

## Friday October 23<sup>rd</sup> 2 0 20



Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February - Spring 2 begins Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April INSET day Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April Good Friday





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It has been a little while since our last newsletter as we have been doing our weekly montages and updates via Google Classroom.

We have made it! It has been a challenging half term for everyone but on behalf of everyone at the school, thank you for your support!

To start off the half term; in a matter of hours we all had to adapt how learning was provided, carried out and implemented. We have built on the remote education we offered in our first lockdown and have an online curriculum we are really proud of'; we believe that the content of what we are providing is as close to the learning that would be carried out in school. We really want to thank you, and most importantly your children, for all of the hard work you have all put in. Everyone has had to show great resilience, adaptability and flexibility over the past few weeks. Everyone's hard work will ensure that our children are in a good place in coming back to school and importantly, ensure that everyone is safe and happy.

Thank you for being patient when technology hasn't worked (mainly for me), I know it hasn't always been easy. As you know, we are making a slight change to our Google Classrooms so over half term please make sure that you register with the details sent out this week. If you did not receive these details, then please email me and I will send you the information. The reason for the change is to ensure that all children are set up on school logins so that your details don't come into school, this will make everything more streamline and accessible in school and at home.

We have seen some amazing pieces of work and everyone should be incredibly proud.

After half term we obviously have to carry on with remote education – so keep uploading that work! Our non-screen days have been a success; we will carry on with these after half-term but reduce those to an afternoon a week. We will let you have the new activities early so that you can be prepared!

Thank you to the Friends of St Buryan Academy who helped with the purchasing of the books that we have gifted to each child along with a bookmark and friendship bracelet. If you have not collected these, you can do so after half term. We really hope you enjoy the books and keep up your love of reading.

Lastly, a huge thank you to all of the staff here. We could not anticipate what has happened over the last year and I am extremely grateful for all they've done for the school and children.

Have a great weekend and half term – stay safe,

Mr Josh McDonald

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#### Google Classrooms

Remember to log onto the new Google Classrooms.

On the Google Classroom page, click the initial in the top right corner, add another user and enter your child's new details sent out this week. This should take you straight to their new Google Classroom page to be used from next half term.

Any questions, please email head@stburyanacademy.org

## Garden area

Our garden area continues to take shape! Our Key Worker children have been busy planting more trees and adding some other equipment, like stepping stone tyres after they have finished their Google Classroom work. If you have anything that you think may be of use to

our garden area, then please contact Mrs Wilson on: <u>ewilson@stburyanacademy.org</u>

Thank you!

## Virtual 360 Tour

If you have not yet seen our virtual 360 tour then make sure you do! It is a great way to see the interior of the school. Some of our children have not seen their classrooms for a long time so feel free to take a tour through the school by clicking on the link below:

https://st-buryan-academy.vr-360tour.com/e/OyQBd4xeLaw/e

Look out for a parental and child survey regarding remote learning after half term. We will also be looking at hosting whole school remote assemblies and more!

Make sure you watch the assembly by James Aidoo which is on your Google Classroom pages and our Facebook page. It is really thought provoking. Challenge yourselves by thinking of the question he asks you: 'What is your 'why'?





Have a restful and well deserved half term. We hope to see you all soon. Stay safe!