**St Buryan Academy Newsletter**

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**Friday May 14th 2021**

# Key Dates

**- 31st May – 4th June Half term**

**- Monday 14th June Key Stage 2 Minack trip**

**-July 12th Activities Week**

**-23rd July End of Term**

**Stars of the week!**

**Well done to all of our children!**

**Xander (Magnificent Maths)**

**Erin (School Spirit)**

**Rhys (Wonderful Writing)**

**Harvey (Top Attitude Towards Learning)**

**Charlotte (Being a Great Role Model)**

**Alfie (Wonderful Writing)**

**Maddie (Wonderful Writing)**

**KS1 Sports Club Monday**

**KS2 Sports Club Wednesday**

**Both finish at 4.30pm**

**Buryan Bulletin**

This week has been another busy one at St Buryan with photographs and new play equipment as well as all of the fantastic learning taking place.

We also welcome back Mr Curnow into Penberth class who is continuing with his teacher training alongside Mrs Baker. Mr Gaffney also joins Porthcurno Class for the term as he too undergoes his teacher training.

Alongside the newsletter being emailed to you this week, you will also receive information regarding our RSE policy, which we have a duty to consult with parents on. You will be sent a survey in-line with this which we would be grateful for completion by Friday 21st May 2021 – thank you.

As more restrictions loosen on Monday, we will still be operating in school as we have been in our ‘bubbles’ with staggered start/finish and transition times. As we approach the end of term, we look forward to being able to make plans and offer some great bonus experiences for our children.

We will also be arranging our parental meetings for this term, so please look out for information regarding this.

If you have seen our social media pages you would’ve noticed our posts about winning £5,000 for our school library. The more times we are nominated the greater the chance we have of having our name pulled out of the hat and winning this fantastic prize so put our name forward at: [www.nationalbooktokens.com](http://www.nationalbooktokens.com)

With St Buryan weather being how it is, please ensure that your children are well prepared for school. This includes having their coat and water-bottle with them every day. You may also want to apply long-lasting sun cream in the mornings too – we are unable to reapply during the day. Please ensure that all uniform is clearly labelled.

In this final term we want to have a real drive on reading and we really need to have your help with this! I have shared my thoughts on reading many times before with you and I am a big believer of everyone enjoying reading, if that’s not the case now it doesn’t mean it always will be; you may have not found the right book yet. We support your children’s reading daily at school, it can be a great way of easing worry, learning new things, calming your mind as well as helping further learning. By reading for ten minutes at home each day, whether independently or to someone else (and this could be a fiction or non-fiction book, newspaper, magazine, comic, instructions etc) you will help your children hugely and the benefits will be clear to see.

Thank you and have a great weekend,

***Mr Josh McDonald***

**Reading, Spellings and Times Tables**

**As we are not setting our usual homework, please do make the effort to ensure your children are reading, listening to them read, learning spellings and times tables – thank you!**

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School Dinner Menu

**Week commencing Monday 17th May 2021**

**Monday**

Pepperoni or tomato and pepper pizza with salad

Strawberry mousse with biscuit

**Tuesday**

Roast chicken and stuffing or vegetable risotto with roast potatoes and vegetables

Jam sponge and custard

**Wednesday**

Sausage/vegetarian sausage pasta bake with garlic bread

Rice pudding and rhubarb

**Thursday**

Fish or Mac ‘n’ cheese bites with chips, beans and peas

Chocolate crispy

**Friday**

Meat or cheese pasty

Fruit or ice cream

**Jacket potatoes available Mon-Thurs (order on day)**

**Porthcurno**

We have had a great week continuing with our World War 2 topic. Throughout the week we have been learning about Anne Frank and the children having written some fantastic persuasive letters inspired by some true stories from World War 2 and based around our whole class novel: Once. They wrote letters to Nazis to stop them stop them from burning Jewish books.

In maths we have continued to look at fractions and how to add or subtract mixed numbers.

Along with Nanjizal class, our children have taken home some kits about Internet Safety. We really encourage you to sit down as a family to complete the activity and how to stay safe online.

Thank you

**Gwenver**

This week in maths we have been exploring the names of 3D shapes. We have begun our new maths topic - fractions. The children have really enjoyed the introduction to this topic and have consolidated their learning by completing a carousel of activities linking to the topic.

Our class caterpillars have doubled in size, we are eagerly awaiting them to make their chrysalises!

The children have been excited to read the next few chapters of our class read 'Charlotte's Web'. In literacy we have been exploring rhythm and rhyme in poems and songs, and writing riddles. The children are excited to read their riddles to year 1 next week!

**Penberth**

In science we continue to study life processes and life cycles- comparing plants (a bean) to animals (a chick). The children also went to the garden to plant some seeds in our new beds and they were fascinated by the difference in size between a bean and a carrot seed. We continue to look after our sunflower seedlings which grow so rapidly now! We are also learning about bees and how they make honey.

To help with our Art we were "visited" by Yayoi Kusama, a Japanese contemporary artist who told us how she creates amazing sculptures of flowers. We have begun to create an installation based on her work, which will decorate our enchanted garden area. If anyone has some unwanted fake/fabric/plastic flowers or plants we would be grateful for donations - thank you.

**Nanjizal**

This week we have learnt about Anglo-Saxon village life. We've experienced their recreational activities - playing games, feasting and telling stories around a fire. The children learnt about how important village life was to them and how each member of the village played a vital role in their community. We learnt about different jobs (blacksmith, tanner, weaver, jeweller etc) and the qualities they'd need to possess to be successful within their career. The children all selected a job and expressed why they thought they'd like it and be good at it. In English, we have continued with Beowulf and looked at how tension is built up within a story, the conventional elements of mythical literature and began to plan our own 'defeat the monster' myth. In maths, we have now completed our shape unit with looking at the properties of 3d shapes, lines of symmetry and symmetrical figures.