

St Buryan Academy Newsletter

Friday 7th February 2020



Key Dates

Term Dates

Friday 14th February - INSET DAY - School will be closed

Monday 17th Friday 21st Feb - HALF TERM

Thursday March 5th - World Book Day and St Piran's Day

Friday March 27th - Last day of term (1.30pm finish)

ISLES OF SCILLY CAMP (YEAR 5/6)

15TH-20TH JUNE 2020

YEAR 3/4 CAMP - 30TH JUNE-1ST JULY

YEAR 1/2 CAMP - THURS 2ND JULY

More dates to be announced soon

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



Believe, Achieve, Aspire

Buryan Bulletin

We are at the end of another busy week here at St Buryan Academy – and there's been a lot going on...

I have been particularly impressed with Nanjizal class this week as they have been finishing their Tremor topics with the eruptions of their hand-made volcanoes. They then did some amazing literacy work with Sally, a local poet, artist and musician. It really captured their imagination and inspired their writing. They will then present their poems and songs next week at St Mary's Haven.

It is really important to establish and support these community links. I think that the work our school take part in with St Mary's Haven is so beneficial to both parties. The children that have worked with them over the past couple of years have developed a real understanding, appreciation and respect for people and they always come back from their visits full of enthusiasm and stories to tell. These experiences help with the skills of communication, empathy and allow for some fantastic learning opportunities for all.

This week we also shared our garden project with parents and families. We have been blown away with the support, advice and offers of help from parents. If you would like to help in any way then there is a sign-up sheet in the hall and

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the children's ideas so far which you are more than welcome to view after school.

The next step is to get a design in place before our trees arrive in March.

Next Thursday we will be holding our charity day in aid of CLIC to support Judith Piper, a parent of the school, to help raise funds for the London Marathon, which she will be running this year. There is a raffle outside of my office for 50p a ticket. Children are invited to wear pink, red or hearts for a £1 donation. Children having school dinners that day will be given a Valentines Cup Cake for dessert, however those having packed lunch may buy one for 25p at lunch from the kitchen. All funds will go to CLIC.

Mr Josh McDonald



Promoting a love of reading

Reading is at the heart of learning and its importance is paramount. I am a real believer that everyone enjoys reading; the only obstacle to that happening is the fact that the right book hasn't been found yet. Ten minutes of reading every day can play a huge role in a child's day, whether it be listening to a story or reading one themselves, it has many benefits. Not only does it develop vocabulary, creativity and give children more understanding of the world and cultures, but it is valuable time to bond, talk and enjoy time together. Reading is also proven to promote positive well-being and there are many websites supporting the power of reading academically and for people's own health. We ask that parents support and encourage reading for enjoyment out of school as well as in it. Thank you

INSETS

School will be closed for staff training on the following days:

Fri 14th February 2020

Tues 14th and Weds 15th April 2020

Thurs 23rd July 2020

ASSEMBLY THEME

This week we have been thinking about **responsibility**.

We have discussed what it takes to be responsible and how it is a good quality to have. We have looked at people who have responsible jobs and what makes them responsible, we found out that everyone - even children - have to have a degree of responsibility. We also discussed how it links with our other assembly focuses of **trust and respect**.

School Dinner Menu

Week commencing Mon 10th Feb

Monday

Lasagna/vegetarian lasagna,
garlic bread and salad
Chocolate Mousse

Tuesday

Chickn wraps/Veggie Wraps with
wedges
Fruit crumble and custard

Wednesday

Roast chicken/vegetarian roast,
potatoes and vegetables
Ice Cream

Thursday

Fish and Chips
Valentines Cupcakes

**VALENTINES CUPCAKES ALSO
AVAILABLE ON THURSDAY FOR
PACKED LUNCHES FOR 25p -
PROCEEDS TO CLIC
JACKET POTATOES AND FRUIT
AVAILABLE DAILY**

Penberth (Reception/Year 1)

Over the last week we have been studying the different theories of dinosaur extinction, which created interesting debates evaluating what the scientists think against our own opinions. The children have also perfected their dinosaur dance routine under Natalie's professional eye. I'm very impressed how well they remember all the movements and routines. We will be showing off our Dinosaur project on Wednesday from 2.30pm.

Gwenver (Year 2)

Gwenver have been busy writing some amazing dinosaur stories, thinking cleverly about how to start their story and what exciting event they can have in it.

We have been so impressed with the children's learning in maths. They have collected tally charts from the whole school and have looked at presenting the information in pictograms and bar charts too. We are now looking at shapes and learning key vocabulary like 'vertices'.

Nanjizal (Year 3/4)

What an exciting and busy week we've had. The children have written newspaper reports about a natural disaster of their choice. We've started a measure, length and perimeter block looking at the equivalent lengths in mm, cm, m and km. A wonderful lady called Sally came in and really inspired their creative writing with edible poetry, song writing and cinquains. The children loved being so creative with their writing. To top off an amazing week we made our model volcanoes erupt!

Porthcurno (Year 5/6)

This week in Porthcurno Class we have been busy tackling some tricky fractions work, the class have shown great determination and problem solving ability when adding and subtracting fractions that don't have the same denominator. We have also finished writing our moon inspired myths and taken time to evaluate and reflect on our own writing skills. Elsewhere in the topic we've been learning about the first moon landings- incredible, brave journeys!

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: Kindness and care

Year 1 - Jowan: Enthusiasm and positivity

Year 2 - Florence: Great progress and focus

Year 3 - Evie: Creative Writing

Year 4 - Harry: Creative Writing

Year 5 - Clayton: Good attitude

Year 6 - Abi: Hard work and progress

**PLEASE COULD ALL KS2
CHILDREN BRING
SHINPADS FOR PE IF
POSSIBLE - THANK YOU**

After-school clubs

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO
AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS OTHER THAN:

Tuesday 11th February

Y2-Y6 choir with Mrs Crow (4.15pm finish)

Why not come and see what Reception and Key Stage 1 have been achieving and learning this half term as they present their 'Dinosaur Planet' work.

Come and see some dinosaur junk modelling, dinosaur dancing, dinosaur biscuits, fact-files and more in Gwenver classroom on Wednesday 12th February from 2.30pm (please use the double doors to Gwenver Class to enter the school).

Activities R Us will continue as normal next week.

Safeguarding

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL):

Mr J McDonald

Deputy DSL and SENCO:

Mrs J Kwiatkowska

Safeguarding Governor

Mrs V Hall

Parent Liaison Officer:

Mrs Care

Please note that parents should not be in school after 8.55am unless. Thank you