

St Buryan Academy Newsletter

Friday 18th June 2021



Key Dates

-Week of 21st June: Parental Consultations

-5th July: Sports Day

-12th July: Activities Week

-23rd July: End of Term

Stars of the week!

Well done to all of our children!

Reception: Xander for excellent ideas in story-telling!

Year 1: Henry for settling into life at St Buryan excellently!

Year 2: Georgia for showing empathy in being a kind and caring friend!

Year 3: Eva for endurance and always giving her best!

Year 4: Finn S for endurance and his impressive work ethic!

Year 5: Lily for excellence in maths reasoning!

Year 6: Harrison for endurance and stamina during assessment week!

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It has been great for us to get out and about this week!

On Monday our Key Stage 2 children were fortunate enough to go to the Minack to watch Dr Dolittle. They all had a great time and it was great to be able to take our children out again to experience these things. Not only did they have a great time watching the performance but their behaviour was praised by several staff from local secondary schools, which was incredibly pleasing and great to hear.

On the note of secondary schools, our Year 6s have been meeting teachers from their chosen secondary schools for next year. It is important to remember that these children haven't had a full year in school since they were in year 4! With that taken into consideration, they deserve a lot of credit for their achievements – there is still work to be done but they are almost ready for that transition to secondary school.

Speaking of transitions, we will be organising some transition days in school so that our children can get to know their new classrooms, teachers and other children they may be working with; these will take place in July. When you receive your child's report next month, you will also find out their class and teacher for the 2021/22 school year!

There are some early dates that I wanted to make you aware of so that you have them in your diaries for next year. Our INSETs for 2021/22 are as follows:

-6th September 2021 (meaning school will start on 7th September)

-17th December 2021

-4th January 2022

-25th and 26th July 2022

We will also be taking our Platinum Jubilee Closure Day on the 6th June 2022.

There may be more dates added to this, but we will give you enough notice of these if they occur.

We have updated our request for absence form in line with guidance, these are available from the Parent tab on the school website, please remember that you must complete these forms two weeks prior to the leave and that these can only be granted if exceptional circumstances – thank you.

Unfortunately, with the latest announcement from the Prime Minister, some of the plans that we were making involving parents coming back into school have had to be postponed further. We will be videoing and photographing the main events of our Sports Day, which we regrettably cannot have spectators for but are pleased that it can still take place.

Our Year 6 Leavers' service is booked in for the 21st July. We will be in touch with our Y6 parents soon regarding this and will assess the logistics and likelihood of being able to hold an event including parents.

It is frustrating that we are not able to welcoming you in past the gates at the moment, and have you in to see the school. The school is looking fantastic; on my learning walks I am so proud and pleased with how the children are conducting themselves, their attitudes towards their work and the learning taking place. Despite the tricky times, we have still been able to offer some fantastic experiences for our children and I am looking forward to September when we can provide even more unique, quality learning experiences for the wonderful children of St Buryan Academy. We look forward to catching up with you during our conferences next week.

Have a great weekend

Mr Josh McDonald

Parking, pick-ups and drop-offs

We politely ask you to be mindful of our neighbours and those on the road during drop-off and collection times. Please ensure that your vehicle is not blocking the road or any access points and that when waiting you are not in the road or on our neighbours' property, including those opposite the school – thank you. Please ensure that the school entrances are not blocked at any point – cars should not be parked on the yellow zig-zags. This includes when dropping off, even for Breakfast Club. Thank you.

School Dinner Menu - Week commencing Monday 21st June 2021

Monday

Chicken tikka masala (quorn and vegetarian option), rice and naan bread

Fruit flapjack

Tuesday

Roast gammon or butternut squash and cauliflower cheese bake, roast potatoes and vegetables

Bread and butter pudding

Wednesday

Beefburger or falafel burger, wedges and salad

Strawberry Pavlova

Thursday

Fish or mozzarella sticks and chips, beans and mushy peas

Chocolate crispies

Friday

Meat or cheese pasties

Ice cream

Jacket potatoes available Mon-Thurs (order on day). Fruit and yoghurt available each day.

Penberth

This week our Reception children have been delving deeper into story-telling and innovating their own stories based on the Hungry Caterpillar. They have loved working as a team creating story maps and using their art skills to create illustrations for our class story. In maths they have moved onto subtraction and have had lots of fun using class resources to make 'first, then, now' maths stories.

This week in science Y1s took a closer look at life processes and learnt an interesting song to help them to remember all 7. In maths they were learning about quarters, and in literacy they were imagining newly hatched butterflies embarking on their first flight.

Gwenver

This week in Gwenver we have been exploring the features of familiar stories. Next week the children will be writing their own stories to share with the year 1 children.

In phonics the children have been revising the consonant clusters with a little help from Geraldine the giraffe!

In guided reading we also met a friendly giraffe that went to school. The children worked in small groups with a different focus each morning. (vocabulary, inference, prediction, explanation of the text and retrieval of key facts.)

In maths this week we have taken our learning outside. We made 2D shapes out of leaves and sticks and stones: and split these shapes into 1/2 s, 1/3s and 1/4.

Nanjizal

This week we've been busy completing our end of year assessments. The children have all given it their best and I'm so proud of them all. In English, we have been planning our newspaper report about the Viking invasion of Lindisfarne. In Art, we have used charcoal to draw a Viking long-ship. We also learnt about the design and structure of their boats. In topic, we have been learning about Vikings being great traders. In groups, the children have all selected an artefact or item commonly traded to create a 'Dragon's Den' style sales pitch with an accompanying slideshow.

Porthcurno

This week Porthcurno Class had a fabulous start with their trip to the Minack Theatre. In the classroom they have shown great maturity in their ability to work independently on our assessments all week. They have also been working hard on their decimals in maths. They have written some wonderfully creative flashback stories and taken great care to edit them and make them their best piece of writing. In Science they enjoyed setting their minds to investigating various aspects of light; making shadows, using reflection to see around corners and using a prism to make a rainbow!