St Buryan Academy Newsletter

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Spring Term Key Dates

21st March - World Poetry Day

22nd March - World Water Day

5th April -End of term

Sickness

Please remember that we have a '48 hours policy'. This means that 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.

Believe, Achieve, Aspire

Buryan Bulletin

This week has been a busy one on the sporting front with cross country and swimming events. I'd like to thank all of the children that have put themselves forward for both events – it is great to see the amount of children volunteering themselves to represent the school and I am really impressed with the pride children are taking in being a valued member of St Buryan Academy.

In assemblies this week we have been discussing what it means to have a growth mindset. Too often children and even adults - have an, "I can't do it!" mentality towards new things. We said that you may not be able to do something the first time of asking, but that doesn't mean you'll never be able to do it. We said that in order to succeed at something you need to: have self-belief, be motivated, have the people around you believing in you and supporting you, have help, encouragement and a positive attitude. We challenged two people who said, "I can't juggle." Their mission by the end of the school year is to learn how to

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juggle. We are offering them help, support, encouragement and belief along the way and they have already made progress!

We also talked about how our school is like a bunch of bananas! It may sound bananas but we thought how bananas grow together, are like a community, are bright, are united, they support each other, they have energy and are healthy and most importantly – they smile! We thought is what we aim to be like here at St Buryan Academy.

I'd like to finish with saying how impressed I have been this week by two children who have taken their learning into their own hands. I know that this happens regularly, but this is particularly impressive. Seren, inspired by her World War 2 topic, took it upon herself to write a letter to the Queen asking about her experiences in WW2 – she recently got a response from the Queen's Lady-in-waiting and a collection of the Queen's personal recollections of her experiences during the war. Also to Jenna who, inspired by Eco and recycling topics, is on a mission to recycle crisp packets – so if you have any at home or for lunch, use our recycling box in the hall to help us win prizes!

Mr Josh McDonald



"Nobody can go back and start a new beginning, but anyone can start today and make a new ending."

Maria Robinson

<u>Parking</u>

When parking around school please respect our neighbours. Please ensure that cars are not blocking the road or any access to drive ways. Please also ensure that you do not park on the yellow zigzags outside of the school. Thank you

Recylce Your Crisp Packets

We are supporting **Terracycle** to recycle crisp packets.

If you have any crisp packets (any brand) at home, or for packed lunch, bring them into school and put them in our recycling box which can be found in the school hall!

2-year old provision
We are able to offer
2-year old provision at
St Buryan Academy!
If you require any
information, then please
pop into the school office.

Penberth News

The main fascination this week has been junk modelling. We constructed elaborate skate park ramps for a mini skateboard and our young explorers made dozens of pairs of binoculars. We discovered that the world is so fascinating when our attention is focused on small frames. On Thursday we checked the progress of the incubating eggs' development by using a special torch to 'candle' the eggs. Children were fascinated to observe the gentle movements of the chicks inside. We can't wait to see the chicks hatch! Our countdown calendar shows that we have 7 days to go.

Gwenver News

This week in Gwenver we have been looking at more superhero stories and making comic strips. We also had an exciting visitor on Thursdaymany thanks to Natalie Semmens a paramedic who answered all our questions and brought in some real equipment to show us.

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Over the last couple of weeks we have been looking at legends and stories of some very bad people indeed, including making our own everlasting punishment for Jan Tregeagle, a Bodmin lawyer whose ghost is still sweeping sand between Nanjizal and Porthcurno! This week we have swapped to inspirational women who have made the world a better place and I have been impressed by the research the class have done on a wide range from Marie Curie and Rosa Parks to Emily Pankhurst and Ada Lovelace (who the pupils taught me could be thought of as the first computer programmer).

Porthcurno News

Porthcurno have had a great week on the sporting front with great efforts in both swimming and cross country. We have been working hard on cracking algebra in maths and have been studying poetry in English with our senses being influences to our writing.

Celebration Awards

We believe in promoting our children's success and recognizing the contributions they make around school. Every Friday we hold a Celebration Assembly where children can win themselves a Celebration Award.

This week's winners are:

Reception: Ava
Year 1: Isla
Year 2: Grace
Year 3: Maeve
Year 4: Madeline
Year 5: Seren
Year 6: Dominic

Mr McDonald's Challenge of the week!

As we set two children the challenge of learning a new skill in juggling this week - are you able to learn a new skill? It could be something in a different language, it could be a new piece of football skill, it could even be juggling or anything else that you can think of!

After-school clubs

Monday 18th - Year 3-6 Basketball Club with Mr Tremaine (4.15pm finish) Year 1&2 Book Club with Mrs King (4.00pm finish)

Wednesday 20th- Year 6 SATs Boost with Mrs K; High 5s Club with Mr Butterfield (4.15pm finish)

Thursday 21st - Reception - Year 2 Outdoor Games with Mrs Wilson (4.00pm finish); Year 3-6 Football Club with Mr McDonald (4.15pm finish)

REMEMBER: YEAR 6 SATS BOOSTER OPEN TO ALL YEAR 6s IS ON WEDNESDAYS!

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.