



WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Newsletters

If you would prefer to receive the newsletter via Email rather than a paper copy, please contact Debbie at: secretary@sir-robert-gefferys.cornwall.sch.uk

Entrance to school in the morning

Years R and 6 to go straight to the Qube. All other years are to not use the main entrance to school, but use the door by Year 2 or the side door by the kitchen.

KS2 Residential

Please ensure that you have paid for the residential in full before your children attend.

Monday 9th

- Yr 6: Dittisham Residential

Tuesday 10th

- Yr 5: Dittisham Residential
- Yr 6: Dittisham Residential

Wednesday 11th

- Yr 4: Dittisham Residential
- Yr 5: Dittisham Residential

Thursday 12th

- Yr 3: Dittisham Residential
- Yr 4: Dittisham Residential
- Menu Change

Friday 13th

- Yr 3: Dittisham Residential

Residential

Thank you to all the staff who are once again giving their time to enable us to offer this unique opportunity. It is a real outdoor experience and I know so much learning will occur. It is a great way for staff to build relationships with the class and to acquire team work and other life skills that will be further developed over the year. Remember that only a small rucksack and a sleeping bag are needed. Children should wear yellow shirts and hoodies and a warm coat. Jogging suit bottoms/equivalent would be a good idea.

Uniform

The children look really smart and are taking pride in their appearance, thank you. It is amazing how many schools are returning to smart uniform and reporting how it is helping raise standards, particularly with presentation in books etc. Our PE kit also stands out and is very practical so easy to use on visits as well. Please do make sure everything is labelled so if lost is easily given back.

Year 6 Parents

Secondary Transfer application deadline is 31 October 2019.

Apply online at:

www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

Helping at School

If you have any time to hear readers, come and speak to someone in school. We do need a DBS check but really do appreciate any support and help you can give.

Music Lesson Reminder:

Flute/Clarinet/Saxophone and Orchestra start again this Friday, 13 September.

Piano and Singing start Monday 16 September.

Violin and Cello start on Thursday 10 October.

Reception September 2020

If you have a child born between 1 September 2015 and 31 August 2016, the deadline for applications for a primary school place is 15 January 2020.

www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

School Lunch Menu for this week is overleaf.

School Dinner Menu

At present we are yet to receive copies of the new menu, so below are the options for this week. *If you receive one home during the week – please note that Thursday is a change of menu.*

Tuesday 10 September

1. Chicken and Sweetcorn Pie with mash
2. Quorn Bolognese
3. Jacket Potato

Wednesday 11 September

1. Roast Pork with roast potatoes and gravy
2. Vegetable Crumble with roast pots & gravy
3. Jacket Potato

Thursday 12 September (Roald Dahl Day menu)

1. Chicken burger in a bun
 2. Quorn burger in a bun
- Plus a raspberry milkshake with a mini shortbread biscuit

Friday 13 September

1. Fish fingers and chips
2. Caramelised red onion & mozzarella tart with chips
3. Jacket Potato

DATES FOR THE DIARY:

9-10 Sep	Yr 6: Dittisham Residential
10-11 Sep	Yr 5: Dittisham Residential
11-12 Sep	Yr 4: Dittisham Residential
12-13 Sep	Yr 3: Dittisham Residential
Thu 19 Sep	Home Learning Exhibition Cake Sale (for Mission Rabies)
Fri 27 Sep	Individual/Family Photos
Mon 30 Sep	Yr 2a: Apple Store (am) Yr 3a: Apple Store (pm)
Tue 1 Oct	Yr 6: Apple Store (am)
Wed 2 Oct	Yr 4a: Apple Store (am) Yr 5a: Apple Store (pm)
Mon 7 Oct	Yr 3b: Apple Store (pm)
Wed 9 Oct	Yr 5b: Apple Store (pm)
Wed 16 Oct	Parents Evening
Thu 17 Oct	Parents Evening Cake Sale Badminton & Tag Rugby Festival
21-25 Oct	Half Term
Mon 28 Oct	Inset Day
Thu 21 Nov	Cake Sale
Thu 28 Nov	Nasal Flu Immunisation (R-Y6)

Roles and Responsibilities

We are really pleased to be able to share the roles and appointments this year for Year 6. As you will see we have several new roles to recognise some amazing strengths and talents of this cohort. I know that they will be a strong team and I know that they are already taking their responsibilities seriously.

Head Girl	Ruby W
Deputy Head Girls	Gracie F Meredith T
Head Boy	Jamie D
Deputy Head Boy	Mackenzie P Shea W
School Sports Captains	Merryn B Ruby F
Eco Chair	Lottie K Olivia T
Brewer House Captains	Tom R Hayden W
Hawes House Captains	Bethany B Ed P
Kinvig House Captains	Tom H Seren W
Tamblyn House Captain	Joel T
Reception Prefects	Sam B Megan HH Kamora K
Year 1 Prefects	Tilly G Alfie G
Year 2 Prefect	Hope R
Pre-School Prefect	Olivia J Ava O
<u>Prefects</u>	
Art & Display	Phoebe H
Charity Coordinator	Alice P
Charity Coordinator	Hazel S
Construction	Sam H
Hall & Worship	Ollie C
Hall & Worship	Charlie G
Music	George G
Office	Chloe W
Science	Hazel B

Our New Staff

We are welcoming three new school direct students this term. Miss Price in Year 4, Mrs Shute in Year 6 and Miss Gibbings in Year 2. We also have some new apprentices Lee-Anne in Reception, Connor in Year 1 and Jade in Year 5. Charlie Hine is our new sports apprentice this year and will also be supporting learning in Year 4. Mr Summers is working as a teaching assistant in Year 5 gaining experience before starting the school direct programme next year. Bethany Renfree, who has joined us from St Mellion is also doing this in Year 2.

So we start the year with:

Reception

Mrs James, Jackie, Dani and Lee-Anne

Year 1

Miss Drury, Mrs Pierce-Jones and Connor

Year 2

Mrs Clarke, Miss Renfree, Lee, Lisa, Miss Gibbings and Libby

Year 3

Miss Appleby, Emma and Susan

Year 4

Mr Arundell, Miss Price, Mr Whittaker, Caitlin, and Charlie

Year 5

Mr Crudge, Lynne, Becky, Mr Summers and Jade

Year 6

Mrs Cunningham, Mrs Jones, Izzy, Ellye, Justin and Mrs Shute

As you can see we have so many people in each room to support learning. Some work with individuals with specific needs for part of the time. When many schools have reduced classroom support we have really prioritised support so that children can be given help needed.

We also have Cat who works across the school organising AR and delivering some very successful phonics and reading interventions. Nic Jones this year is our school SENCo and also THRIVE/TIS leader.

Julie Clare and Kelly Hine both support enrichment activities

We also have Phil who takes the lead responsibility for the minibus and school grounds and Will organising for growing and the farm.

Our office team of Debbie, Tamsyn, Louise and Sharna are always kept busy and also do an amazing job meeting deadlines and completing not only school tasks, but also academy and teaching school paper work.

Michelle, Mandy and Claire work for Chartwells but are our kitchen staff and provide meals.

Finally most of you know Trish who is our talented caretaker who paints and coordinates the cleaning work. However she also supports enrichment art and works with our excellent display team of Jackie and Lynne.

I am so fortunate to have such a strong, professional and enthusiastic team who all want the best for our children.

Aldi's Kit for Schools

From 6th September, Aldi's Kit for Schools is giving 20 primary schools the chance to win £20,000 to kick-start a health legacy for their school. Every time you spend £30 at Aldi, you'll receive a Team GB sticker for your primary school. Every completed Kit for Schools poster will receive an exclusive Aldi sports kit for your school and the chance to win one of twenty £20,000 prizes.

School Council Reminder

Reminder for ideas of how to use the phone box in the village and also new designs for the village playground as this will soon be renewed. Please see Miss Appleby with your ideas.

Landrake Community Cafe

Is **hosting a Macmillan coffee morning**

Date Thursday 19th September

Time 8.45am - midday

Place Landrake Chapel

Why not join us straight after the school run?
It's a great place to get together.

Lost Property

Green school cardigan with logo named Elsie-Rose Green.



Mandy Kellagher, one of our Governors, is going to India to work on a Mission Rabies campaign, vaccinating feral dogs.

Rabies kills over 60,000 people every year, 40% of whom are children under 15, mostly in developing countries. 99% of cases are caused by dog bites and once signs of disease are shown it is almost always fatal.

However, rabies is 100% preventable by vaccinating dogs and educating people. Mission Rabies is currently targeting areas in Asia and Africa with the aim of eradicating rabies from the world by 2030.

Mandy will be talking to the children about the project in assembly on Monday 16th September. Her trip is entirely self-funded but she is hoping to raise money for the charity and we are holding a cake sale on Thursday 19th September for which your generous donations of cakes would be very gratefully received.

Parent Hub

We would like to welcome you to the new Parent Hub that will be starting in September.

The Parent Hub will be open on the second Thursday of every month from 3-6pm for you to drop in at any point for coffee and cake.

Each month will have a specific focus where we will have information about topics such as homework (including the benefits of Mathletics and Spellodrome), E-safety in school and at home, Thrive, Parent workshops and other things available to you and your family within our school.

The Hub will be a welcoming, relaxed and friendly atmosphere where you can come and chat to the team about school life and the wealth of opportunities and resources we have available, that as parents and guardians you may not be aware of.

Please pop into our open door launch night on Thursday 19th September where there will be an opportunity to see in more detail what the hub has to offer and hopes to achieve and discuss any suggestions you may have to help make the Hub work for you.

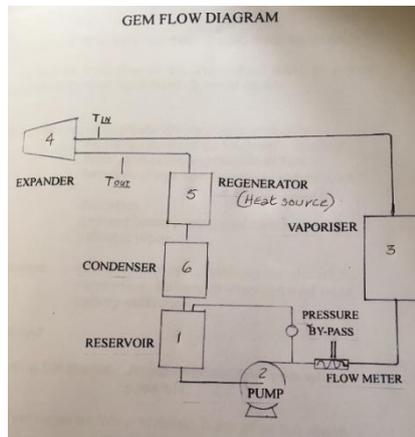
Competition Reminder



Over to you...

KS2 had an insightful assembly with inventor Simon Few (Miss Appleby's godfather). He talked to us about the harmful use of fossil fuels and the damage it is causing to our planet and how something urgently needs to be done in order to protect it.

A possible solution of 'greening the planet' lies in Simon's invention of GEM (Gas Expansion Motor) which is in early development. He shared this with us (see pictures below).



Competition Time

Simon has asked you to draw on your scientific knowledge to create an effective way to use the by-product - CO₂?
(Clue: plants require CO₂)

There will be a prize for the winning entry from Years 3/4 and Years 5/6.
Entries to be handed to Miss Appleby by the end of September.
Good Luck!