



WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Club Info

London/Dartmoor Residentials

Please note that payment is required, before trips commence.

Letters coming home:

- Sportshall Athletics
- Yr 3 and Yr 6: Apple store trips

Monday 20th

- Yr 3: Swimming
- Yr 5b: Apple store


Tuesday 21st

- Yr 3: Swimming

Wednesday 22nd

- Yr 3: Swimming
- Yr 4b: Apple store
- Youth Speaks

Thursday 23rd

- Yr 3: Swimming
- Cake Sale 

Friday 24th

- Yr 3: Swimming

School Dinner Menu: On a Wednesday, the vegetarian option (option 2) will be a Quorn roast on weeks 2 and 3 as the children prefer it.

Cake Sale – Thursday 23 January

We are holding a cake sale this Thursday to raise funds for Hillside School in Uganda. Cakes cost 20p each. All donations of nut-free cakes gratefully received.



Menu Change – Monday 27 January

1. Sweet and Sour Chicken
2. Chinese vegetable rice
3. Jacket Potato



Pilgrim's Progress

Next week we have a visiting theatre company working with the children in Years 4, 5 and 6 in workshop sessions before performing Pilgrim's Progress. This is being funded by or RE grant from the Ironmonger's Company

Extract from the website

Oddments Theatre have been privileged to take lively re-telling's of Bible stories into primary schools for the past 9 years, combining colourful stage sets and costumes with high energy audience interaction.

Our productions can be included in school assemblies or tailored for a more unique occasion within the educational framework. Each production you book is paired with workshops based on the corresponding themes.

Pilgrim's Progress is suitable for the whole school and is 50 minutes in length. This is paired with workshops for the KS2 pupils to help them understand the themes and characters, all who relate to the type of people who may help us and mislead us in our lives.

Parental Consultations

Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th February

Appointments can be booked through school interviews using the information below (a copy of the letter will be on the website).

To book appointments:

www.schoolinterviews.co.uk

KS1 (Reception, Yr 1 & Yr 2) use code: dpquw
Book one 10 minute slot with the class teacher

KS2 (Yrs 3, 4, 5 & 6) use code: uyfb9
Book one 5 minute slot with the class teacher and one 5 minute slot with your child's maths teacher.

Please sign up and come and see how much progress your child has made so far this year. With half a year still to go it will be an opportunity to share what needs to happen next as well.

Staff Training

As you probably realise we are really lucky to have such a strong staff team and so making sure that their professional development is kept up to date is really important. This term we are working with Cornwall Research School and staff are attending Maths Transition, Metacognition and also the taking part in the Oracy Project. It is important to develop learning, taking research into account. We hope to extend the research by working with other local schools including Saltash Community School to support learners so that they continue to make good progress.

Attendance

Unfortunately our attendance figures overall have taken a nose dive over the past few months. More children than normal will be closely monitored during our Educational Welfare Officer (EWO) visit next term. Please look at your child's figures that we sent home last week. I know some children have had nasty viruses and that accounts for some of the data. We need to ensure children's attendance is over 95% if they are to make the best progress. We still have two terms ahead to make sure that this happens. Each day is divided into two sessions so if attendance is less than 90% it means that one session each week is lost. Children can lose confidence when they return if other children have moved on in their learning. Please try to arrange appointments and holidays outside school hours, as we really do want all children to fulfil their potential. Attendance is an area monitored by head teachers, governors and the EWO so we will keep you fully informed over the next few weeks.

Great News

It was great to see that this year all the hard work that goes into the running and organisation of learning at our school has been recognised in the Real School Guide. I know many of you are already aware from Cornwall Live that we have been ranked 1st in Cornwall and 159th nationally out of 14,749. The data collected is not just test results but different criteria.

Considering we are also in the bottom ten schools in Cornwall for funding, it proves that we do make the most of the money we receive. We remain a successful primary because of the strong partnerships we have and so parents, pupils, the local community and staff should feel equally proud.

It was great to see that so many schools in South East Cornwall did well. Having worked in collaboration with Burraton and St Stephens over the past few years by sharing staff training opportunities and procuring services, I was particularly pleased that we were all in the top ten. Staff from our three schools have observed each other and discussed approaches to learning and I am sure this professional dialogue helps all of us develop practice and improve learning. More information can be found on Cornwall Live where any school's data can be found.

Children in school early

All children need to be registered in a club whether in school early, or staying after school. This is in case of fire or emergency so we know who is on the premises. Children should not just wander around the school.

AWARDS

Accelerated Reader	Alfie B
Class Kindness	Imogen P
Demonstrating Values	Isla K Alfie N Oskar D Hazel S
Effort	Monty B Georgia C Jack K Gracie F Meredith T
English	Chloe W Emma D
Excellence	Jacob R Lottie K
Friendship	Tom H
Good Manners	Lauren G
Growth Mindset	Hayden W Eddie T
Helpfulness	Mia S Felix C
Kindness	Lucy P
Learner of the week	Katie P
Literacy	Ethan B
Maths Superstar	Bea T Millie J
Perseverance	Ayla G Ben C
Positive Attitude	Ethan J Melody E
Progress	Millie S Alfie G Olivia J Lillie A
Resilience	Anna G Megan D
Role Model	Florence W
Spelling Bee	Megan HH
Supporting Others	Joel T Matthew S
Thinking	Tom R
Writer of the week	Eliza R Holly F

Cross Country - League Run

Twenty eight children from the cross country club took part in the third race of the South East Cornwall League on Friday 17th January at Cotehele. The children ran really well on this hilly and muddy course. Thank you to the parents who came to support their child with their run. Particular mention to Erin R who came 1st in her age group – Year 3/4 Girls and Shea W who came 4th in the Year 5/6 boys race.

Year 3/4 Girls: Erin R (1) Bea T (10) Effie S (18) Sienna B (47) Millie BC (59) Florence W (31) Kiera B (89)

Year 3/4 Boys: Arthur B (22) Joseph A (53) Dougie B (56) William B (60) Bodie W (65) William B (95) Joshua G (80)

Year 5/6 Girls: Alice P (21) Seren W (24) Merryn B (30) Poppy C (32) Ruby F (43) Megan HH (63) Isabella M (65)

Year 5/6 Boys: Shea W (4) Hayden W (11) Oscar D (25) Tom R (69) Tom H (70) Ed P (71) Charlie G (85)

Landrake Run – Friday 13th March 2020 1.30pm

Date for your diary. The school are holding their annual run which attracts over 600 children from 30 schools in the area. We need help from parents with marshalling the course, helping with car parking and serving refreshments. A letter is being sent to parents asking for your help. Please return the slip to the school office. All monies raised goes towards school funds which help ALL the children in the school.

DATES FOR THE DIARY:

Mon 27 Jan	Yr 3: Apple Store visit (music) Menu change (Chinese New Year)
Tue 28 Jan	Sportshall Athletics
Thu 30 Jan	Yr 6: Apple Store visit (music)
Mon 3 Feb	Football match vs Bishop Cornish Boys and Girls Yr 5/6
Tue 4 Feb	Able Writers – Bishop Cornish Yr 6: 'We will rock you' - Saltash
Fri 7 Feb	League Run – Lanhydrock
Wed 12 Feb	Parent Consultations
Thu 13 Feb	Parent Consultations
17-21 Feb	Half Term
Wed 26 Feb	Yr 5: Inspiring Strings concert
Thu 27 Feb	Cake Sale
Mon 2 Mar	Swimming Gala – Life Centre
Tue 3 Mar	Grass Track Cycling (practice)
Wed 4 Mar	Grass Track Cycling (comp)
Fri 6 Mar	League Run – Bake Lakes
Tue 10 Mar	Touch rugby – Bishop Cornish
Fri 13 Mar	Landrake Run
Wed 18 Mar	KS1 Multi-skills – Callington
Thu 19 Mar	Touch Rugby - Launceston
Fri 20 Mar	Friends' Family Quiz Night
Wed 25 Mar	Songfest – Plymouth Pavilions
Fri 27 Mar	Easter Service
30Mar-13Apr	Easter Holidays
Thu 23 Apr	KS1 Multi-skills – Callington
Fri 24 Apr	Cornwall Spring Games - Truro
25-29 May	Half Term

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59,662,928 words

