



Weekly Update

Thank you again for the support we are receiving during this lockdown. Every week we are learning new things to improve the package for the children in our school who are either at home or in the building. The package for both is working so that there is no real difference as often lessons are delivered together. I know this time that there is a continued press forward and children are covering the curriculum that they would have been experiencing if in school.

I know how hard it must be if you have your children at home and you are trying to work as well. If your child does need support, do make sure they access the adults who are on the class google meet all day to help. I know some children are logging onto additional classrooms to receive specific help or to read to adults.

Walking around the school it is lovely to hear the interactions between staff and pupils on and off the site. At times it is surreal but knowing that children can continue to learn in this way makes all the hard work worthwhile. I know that the children at SRG will have become more independent and resilient, but I also know that they will not be left with as many gaps as others.

When I read about lack of devices, I am so pleased that we have really prioritised purchasing and setting up chrome books that we can not only use in school normally but also lend to anybody at times such as this. Every child needs their own device and we have been able to ensure all have access. We did receive seven from the government last week which would not have gone far as we have one hundred offsite at present. Some of our older laptops are being configured as chrome books to extend the availability. If during lockdown you find yourself without technology, we will make it available. We are committed to making sure no child in our care is at a disadvantage.

At half term we are having a wi-fi upgrade as the system needs updating due to the number of machines and the streaming occurring. This was part of a long-term improvement but has been brought forward.

Our governing body have been forward thinking and supportive to meet the needs of our community resulting in high quality learning in lock down.

A few new skills learned this week

We have developed the use of 'Mote', a verbal feedback opportunity for teachers to use. Looms (talk over a slide show) can now be extended to up to 45 minutes to allow more complex explanation if needed. Jam Board is a great way to brainstorm.

Thank you also to the parents and children who are sharing their knowledge and expertise to help new learning for all and therefore improvement of provision.

Staff Testing

From the end of this week and then twice weekly, all school staff will undertake testing for Covid. This is to ensure that any asymptomatic transmissions are prevented in an attempt to close transmissions down. Thank you again in advance to staff who will do this before school in the morning as this is the timing recommended. Test results come through in 30 mins and results then updated on a government website.

I know staff are keen to keep our community as safe as possible so will find the additional time needed. If there is a positive result, they then have to book the test from one of the centres to have it confirmed but they will isolate from the first test result.

Remote Learning Policy

Please read this (it is attached to the email) and this will help make sure that everybody is fully aware of what is happening at SRG. We have also updated Remote Learning information on the website.

Questionnaire

Please can you help us by completing the google form in relation to Remote Learning and Learning During Lock Down. Please complete one for each child at SRG.

<https://forms.gle/tVtFRc6Ko5UMde2b6>

Reverend Laura

As many of you will know Rev Cathy Sigrist left Saltash in August and this left us without church representation temporarily. However, luckily for us Reverend Laura moved into the Vicarage in Landrake and became a parent at Sir Robert Geffery's when Seb joined us. The Rural Dean agreed that Rev Laura would be an ideal governor and she officially joined the board in November.

Already she is having a positive impact, having met with us to talk about our SIAMS form preparation, as there is a new format, leading Christingle Services and now providing us with Virtual Loom Assemblies each week. Hopefully after lockdown you will have the opportunity to meet her if you have not done so.

Accelerated Reader Weekly Round Up

Our whole school wordcount for this academic year to date is: 55,906,167

Whole school total books read to date: 6,418

Class wordcount – Year to date

Year 2 2,899,102

Year 3 4,043,511

Year 4 14,429,179

Year 5 14,859,542

Year 6 19,674,833

Top 5 wordcounts – Week

Year 2 William S

Year 3 Ruan H

Year 4 Ruby C

Year 5 Alfie B

Year 6 Darcie C

Good Progress

Year 2 Edmund F

Year 3 Callum C

Year 4 Eris B-T, Albie C

Year 5 Isaac B

Year 6 Poppy C

¼ Million Pippa I, Joshua P

Gold Mathletes of the week

Previously during our award assemblies, we have recognised the achievements of those using Mathematics and this week we would like to congratulate the following children who have achieved Gold certificates since the start of this school year:

1st Elodie Cl., Monty B, Samuel G, Lowenna H, Emily F, Charlie T, Lois G, Jake K, JJ. H., Joshua P, Jasper K.

2nd Ethan B, Merryn H, Leyla C, Lauren G.

3rd William Ba., Mia S, Ed S, William R.

4th Tilly K, Joseph A, Libby P, Stanley D, Eliza F.

5th Ashton B, Connor P, Lola O'B-R.

7th Sienna B, Ethan F.

9th Isla S-H.

Online Kids Club 0-11yrs
SWMC

Sat 30 Jan, 4-4:45 pm
Mon 15 Feb, 4-4:45 pm

Videos, Stories, Crafts

zoom

To book a place find us on f.book, or contact Chris Clark
(Children's & Families' Worker) 07790537911 chrisclark@wesleyweb.co.uk

Awards

Foundation

Chloe B	Super imagination
Hector M	Consistent effort
Mimi C	Amazing role model
Myles C	Fantastic maths learning
Sam R	Fantastic creative writing

Year 1

Abigail	Handwriting
Harriet	Write of the Week
Harrison	Brilliant phonics
Monty	Great effort

Year 2

Felix	Consistent effort
Grace	Confidence in her learning
Imogen	Amazing independence
Libby	Super collaboration skills
Peter	Writing progress
Shepherd	Maths progress
Simeon	Making amazing learning links
William	Super 'Spicey' learning

Year 3

All of Yr 3	Fantastic perseverance with the use of Google Classroom
Ayla	Positive attitude
Ethan	Learner of the Week
Jacob	Presentation in their work
James	Effort in Maths
Katie	Descriptive writing
Leyvyn	Resilience
Millie	Descriptive writing
Oscar	Enthusiasm
Ruan	Descriptive writing

Year 4

Ben C	For a wonderfully creative story and superb effort in maths
Hazel E	For an incredible improvement in reading and 100% commitment and enthusiasm in dance
Isaac P	For super speedy and accurate maths work.
Katy B	For effort in all subjects during home schooling
Lois G	For effort and achievement in maths and really giving it a go!
Merryn H	For wonderful commitment to home learning and great yoga and science videos
Rebecca J	For wonderful handwriting using letter join
Seren W	For excellence in PE lessons

Year 5

Connor	Correcting errors in his maths work
Eddie S	Great input during reciprocal reading
Lola	Bringing good humour to the classroom
Molly T	Amazing reading and improving word count
Samuel	Working hard to complete all assignments despite not always feeling well
Tom W	Imaginative science work when looking at materials
William D	Using support groups well to help with his learning

Year 6

Ben C	Handwriting
Charlie V	History
Daisy	For an amazing and informative e-safety poster
David Br	For a very tiring morning work out
David Bu	Brilliant balanced argument
Isaac H	Kindness
Joseph O'K	Helpfulness
Lauren G	Resilience with remote learning
Megan D	Enthusiasm and dedication to learning
Poppy	Handwriting
William R	Overall effort and a really settled approach.