

Newsletter No. 800

5th July 2021

Where we 'live life in its fullness' (John 10.10) Knowing that God is our Strength and with His help we will be the best we can

## This Week:

Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>
• Yr R: Cotehele	• Yr 5: Lynher Barge • Parent Consults 10.30am – 1pm	<ul><li>Yr 6: Lynher Barge</li><li>Yr 3: Playhouse performance</li></ul>	Yr 6: Junior Ten     Tors experience	Yr 6: Junior Ten     Tors experience

## Parent Consultations - 6th and 12th July

Should you want to discuss anything related to this year or the school report, please book yourself in for a telephone parent consultation.

To book, please go to:

## www.schoolinterviews.co.uk

KS1 (Yr R, 1 & 2) Event Code: mtssc KS2 (Yrs 3, 4, 5 & 6) Event Code: mgb54

## **Speech Day Lunches**

There are **no hot school lunches** on Speech Day. KS1 have had an email (with yet another google form!) to order a packed lunch.

KS2 children will need to either bring a packed lunch with them or let the office know if you'd like to order a school packed lunch – all school lunch orders need to be requested by Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July.

## **Learning off-site**

Over the past few weeks, the pupils have not only experienced the normal curriculum but have been out of school experiencing learning outside the classroom. The beach trips for KS1, Mount Edgcumbe for Year 6 and the residentials at Dewerstone have given the children time to find out more about themselves, experience the outdoors and the natural world and support and encourage one another. We have worked really hard to make sure that we can continue to hold the activities even if we have had to adjust to make them even more Covid safe.

## **Driving in the village**

Please be aware of pedestrians – especially when reversing to make space for other vehicles on the road.

### Curriculum

Next year we are going switch the topics over in KS2, so next year the topics will be

## <u>KS2</u>

Autumn 1 The Victorians
Autumn 2 Inventions
Spring 1 Ancient Rome
Spring 2 Earth and Space
Summer 1 Staying Alive
Summer 2 Sporting Heroes

## <u>KS1</u>

Autumn Toys and Light & Dark
Spring Pole to Pole
Summer Leaping Around

## **Headship Interviews**

The governors have invited candidates to Sir Robert Geffery's for interviews on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> July. During these days, the candidates will cover a wide range of activities, including presenting to and being interviewed by pupils, making a presentation to staff and governors, completing some paperwork tasks and leading a worship session. They will have a formal interview on the second day. By the end of all activities the governors will be in a position to make an informed decision.

### **Parental Questionnaire**

Please find below a link to an additional questionnaire that we are sending out this year. It covers several different aspects of school and learning. We will be using the information as part of our evaluation process and to support our school improvement.

https://forms.gle/CHqxrLLZxjq6iMC37

### **Our Christian Ethos**

Sir Robert Geffery's School - A School for Enthusiasts: "where we live life in its fullness" John 10v10

Our Christian Ethos is commented upon by so many visitors to our school. This verse from John 10v10 sums up what we really want for our pupils – the chance to embrace opportunity and become the best they can be from high-quality teaching and learning experiences.

At Sir Robert Geffery's School our aim is to provide a living Christian school environment, where we strive for each child to develop a passion for learning and a sense of excitement in their own achievement and that of others.

Our vision is that our school will provide its children and staff with:

- Christian values and beliefs that are expressed through a loving, caring and safe environment
- The ability to think critically, the courage to question injustice, and a willingness to take the lead, and to look out for others.
- A family atmosphere that encourages a sense of belonging and results in the whole school working as a team
- A nurturing and growth of both selfconfidence and self-esteem
- Broad and balanced experiences that prepare for 21st century sustainable living
- A sense of pride in the school and many opportunities to celebrate effort, success and achievement
- The promotion of respect for oneself, others and the environment
- An ability to strive for excellence
- A lasting love, enthusiasm and zest for learning through experiencing an exciting curriculum
- A fully inclusive school where each individual is highly valued and encouraged to reach their full potential
- Opportunities that encourage independence, cooperation, self-discipline and an active global prospective

## **Our Special Ten Bible Stories**

These were selected by our community, underpin our ethos and are taught in assemblies, RE days and the curriculum.

10 Commandments - Rules to live by Christmas and Easter Story
Creation - Celebration of God's world
David and Goliath - Standing up for what is right and being brave as well as trust in God Feeding of Five Thousand - Miracle to provide for all

Good Samaritan - Caring for one another
Joshua - Be Bold Be Strong
Noah's Ark - God's Promise
Parable of Sower - Planting the seed
The Widow's Coins - Giving to charity whatever
we can

Our assemblies refer to the values that we feel support our ethos and are shown through our special ten bible stories. The banners that show our values are displayed in the hall above the stage doors. These banners, like our special 10, were carefully designed, planned and sewn by our pupils.

Mr Hambly wrote our school anthem and this is another way that the children remember our values, these are:

Love Forgiveness
Service Peace
Thankfulness Trust
Creation

## Baptism

Last Tuesday Years 1 and 3 were invited to attend Mrs James' baptism at school. Rev Laura conducted this special service in the forest school area at the bottom of the school. This opportunity brought our RE lessons to life and the children responded so well. Thank you to Mrs James and Reverend Laura for inviting us.

# **AWARDS**

Reception Aiden G Frankie M Hector M Henry M Iona P	Bravery Super work on measuring in Maths Excellent manners Resillience Writing perseverance	Year 4 All Year 4	Being such a brilliant class to take away on residential and for conquering their fears!
Lyra C	Amazing role model learner	Year 5	
Myles C	Fantastic creative ideas in Literacy	Bea	Super teamwork during the residential activities
Year 1		Effie	Great resilience during the school residential
Bethany N Ella W Joseph P	Resilience Accuracy and effort Time telling wizard	Ewan	Wonderful enthusiasm and the desire to complete all tasks at Dewerstone
Lowenna H Noah K	Effort across the curriculum Imaginative writing ideas	Florence	Great positive attitude during the school residential
Rosie S Sybire K	Perseverance in maths Independent writing	Joseph	For being a great friend in and outside of school
		Zac	Great motivation and encouragement of other children,
Year 2			in and out of school
Eliza R	Reader of the week		
Ellis M	Amazing grammar skills		
Emily F	Brilliant collaboration skills	Year 6	
Imogen P	Fantastic learning links	Ben C	Resilience
Max C	Super confidence in writing	Charlie V	Overcoming obstacles
Seren H	Excellent application of skills in	Daisy I Darcie C	Handwriting
	maths	Darcie C David Br	Friendship Maths
		Eliza F	Overcoming obstacles
Year 3		Isabella M	Maths
All Year 3	Amazing attitude and behaviour on	Jasper K	Creativity
	the residential	Joseph O	, Teamwork
		Lillie A	Friendship
		Lucas C	Resilience
		Millie J	Creativity

## **Accelerated Reader Round Up**

Whole school wordcount: 117,655,520

Books read: 11,329

## Class wordcount – Year to date

Year 2 9,895,569 Year 3 9,438,858 Year 4 25,598,505 Year 5 36,571,220 Year 6 35,960,799

## Top 5 wordcounts – last week

Year 2 Ellis M, Emily F
Year 3 Seb H, Leyvyn S
Year 4 Ben C, Sophie D
Year 5 Eddie S, Sienna B
Year 6 Millie J, Finley S

## **Good Progress**

Year 2 Imogen P Year 3 Holly G Year 4 Aaron B Year 5 Connor P Year 6 Axel B

½ Million Ethan J, Ewan G

## **Mathletics Congratulations**

Ethan J for achieving his 2<sup>nd</sup> Gold Emily F to achieving her 2<sup>nd</sup> Gold

## **Health and Safety Week**

This week children will have workshops in different aspects of Health and Safety. They will also have the Relationship and Sex Education lessons for their age group. We are using Jigsaw lessons that are part of our PHSME scheme of work.

## **Dates for your Diary**

Mon 12 Jul Parent Consultations (phone)

10.30am - 1pm | 4 - 5.30pm

13&14 July Headteacher Interviews

Wed 21 Jul Speech Day

9am start (finishes by lunchtime)

Thu 22 Jul Yr 6: Leavers Play

Fri 23 Jul Inset Day

**Summer Holidays** 

# Term Dates 2021-22



# Autumn

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Sept – Inset Day Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> Sept – Back to School

25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> October – Half Term Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Nov – Inset Day

20<sup>th</sup> December – 3<sup>rd</sup> January Christmas Holidays

# Spring

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January – Inset Day Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> Jan – Inset Day

21st – 25th February – Half Term

11<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> April Easter Holidays

# Summer

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – Bank Holiday

30<sup>th</sup> May – 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Half Term

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June – Inset Day

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July
Summer Holidays start