



Newsletter No. 824 14th February 2022

This Week:

<p>Clubs</p> <p>There will be no teacher-led clubs this week, due to Parental Consultations. (KS1 Dance Colour & Chat Computing Eco Hockey Netball Music)</p>		<p>All other clubs, including cross country, will be running this week.</p>		
Monday 14th	Tuesday 15th	Wednesday 16th	Thursday 17th	Friday 18th
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 3: Swimming 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 3: Swimming Yr 4: Zero Gravity Parents Evening 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 3: Swimming Parents Evening 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 3: Swimming 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 3: Swimming Last day of term

Parental Consultations – 15th and 16th February

Due to Covid, we will be holding the meetings remotely this term.

You need to book your slots as usual on:
www.schoolinterviews.co.uk.

- Instead of coming into school, at the time of your appointment click on the link that will be in the booking confirmation email. The teacher will then 'let you in' to the meeting.
- The system can only support parents calling in from *one* device.
- Please consider the teachers and other parents – if you need to speak to the teacher for longer than your allotted time, please arrange that for a later date.

KS1 Code: u95ny

Book one ten-minute slot per child, per teacher.

KS2 Code: usty7

- If your child has maths with their class teacher, book two consecutive five-minute slots with them.
- If your child has maths with a different teacher, book one five-minute slot with their class teacher and one five-minute slot with their maths teacher.
- **Year 6** – Book two five-minute slots with your child's maths teacher, as both Mr White and Mrs Cunningham have taught English to all the Year 6 children.

If you haven't received a booking confirmation email with a link, please contact the school office and we will send you one.

After school club change

After half-term, Mrs Cunningham is changing from Eco to Field Gun Club, which is Years 5 and 6 only.

If your child would like to attend Field Gun Club, please complete this short google form:

<https://forms.gle/YA4DKqZxohgEeSi3A>.

If your child currently attends Eco club but is not in Years 5 or 6, please contact the office (admin@sir-robert-gefferys.cornwall.sch.uk) to let us know what club they would like to go to instead: KS1 Sport | KS2 Drama | Homework Club

Menu Change Tuesday 15th February

- Option 1: Pork hotdog
- Option 2: Tomato Pasta
- Option 3: Jacket Potato

Farm Refresh Day...

A saw was left at school on the Farm Refresh day – if it's yours, please come to the office to collect, thank you.

Awards

Being the Best I can	Charlie O
Demonstrating Values	Dougie B
Good Learning	Rosie S
Growth Mindset	Georgina H
Maths	Florentia C
	Elsie G
Needlecraft	Rebecca J
Outdoor Learning	Evelyn G
Perseverance	Gwen H
Positive Attitude	Ashton B
Progress	Harriet H
	Jaida K
Science	Holly F
Thinking	Hazel E
	Monty F
	Sidney W
Writer of the Week	Rosina T
Piano	Millie B-C
Singing	Bodhi W

Accelerated Reader

Whole School Word Count: 59,782,245
Total Books Read: 6,200

Class Word Count (year to date)

Year 2	2,165,833	Year 3	10,170,019
Year 4	10,908,302	Year 5	20,687,749
Year 6	15,695,955		

Top 5 Word Count (last week)

Year 2	Monty B	Year 3	Shepherd W
Year 4	Ruan H	Year 5	Ben C
Year 6	Sienna B		

Great Progress

Year 2	Francesca A	Year 3	Max B
Year 4	Daisy H-H	Year 5	Arthur B
Year 6	Alfie B		

Congratulations to Sienna B who became a 2 millionaire and both Nathaniel K and Arthur B who both became millionaire readers this week.

Mathletics

Congratulations to Simeon R who gained his 3rd Gold Mathletics badge and certificate this week.

Farm Refresh Day

A big thank you to everyone who came to lend a hand on Saturday for our Farm Refresh day. We had a good turnout of hard-working children and their families, friends of SRG, past pupils and school staff. Although windy, the rain stayed away allowing lots of work to be done. Some of the tasks completed were:

-  Chicken pen removal, removal of old chicken coops and new chicken coop clean out.
-  Pig ark selection for quality and removal for sale.
-  Relocation of the last pile of workable compost into previously disused flower bed on KS1 playground. Plant removal and relocation to bed on KS1 playground - lavender, rosemary, etc.
-  Removal of compost bins and bays.
-  Removal of old tyres and rubble as well as other old, broken or disused materials.
-  Wood chip distribution.
-  Relocation of Cypress tree at school main entrance and replanting below. Pruning in the area.
-  Paint removal of milking cow.

The enthusiasm from everyone to get the job done meant that we achieved a lot in a short time. Two Skips were filled to their brims and two further van/trailer loads of timber were taken to be used locally.

Our annual **Big Dig and Spring Clean Day** is on Sunday 20th March and the committee hopes to see as many of you as possible on the day. Many hands really do make light work and we are excited to see YOUR school farm returning to its full glory.

Decorate the new Farm Sign competition

Entry Fee: 20p Closing Date: 1st March
We have a new farm sign, but it needs to be decorated – please either send in a picture of the farm/animals/farm themed, or a map of our school farm.

The new sign will be unveiled at the Big Dig on 20th March.

Sports Update

SRG come out on top in a bruising encounter against Calstock

Last Monday SRG played the latest of our Arena league fixtures at Callington against Calstock, who were 2 places and 4 points above us in the league going into the game. We created several chances in the first half, and with a little more composure in front of goal could have scored a couple of goals. Dougie and Stanley worked exceptionally hard to win the ball back in midfield and Alfie made some fabulous runs into the box, but crosses were either mis-timed or hit the first defender. In defence Mia and Zac played calmly and dealt with everything Calstock hit us with.

We spoke at half time about keeping our composure and that we would create more chances, we just had to be careful we didn't throw too many bodies forward leaving us short at the back. Early in the second half Mia made a wonderful run down the wing and crossed the ball into the box Alfie slid in and ended up in the net! Unfortunately, the ball evaded his dive and went out for a throw in. Stanley and Zac both put their bodies on the line on numerous occasions, winning us back the ball when it would have been less painful to leave it. It was from one of Stanley's brave tackles that the ball broke to Dougie who sent a superb pass into Jacob in the box. His initial shot was saved by the Calstock 'keeper, but he reacted quickly to poke the ball home off the inside of the post, to give us a 1:0 lead.

Calstock then threw the kitchen sink at us and Bodhi, Mia and Zac held firm until the last five minutes, when their skilful striker evaded our tackles and was through one on one with William. I was fearing the worst, convinced they would score an equaliser, but William had other ideas and produced a wonderful save to deny what looked like a certain goal. We survived the resultant corner and blocked everything else Calstock threw at us to see out a hard fought but fully deserved 1:0 victory.

I was asked by the team after the game, who I had chosen as our player of the match and I couldn't single anyone out at the time. I still can't. William was assured and confident in goal, Zac, Mia and Bodhi were positive in everything they did in defence - always looking to find a green shirt when they'd won the ball back, Stanley was tenacious in midfield, Dougie passed the ball brilliantly and made some fantastic runs in both boxes, Alfie was clever in his running and positioning and Jacob was a threat every time he had the ball in the opposition half... so I couldn't choose a player of the match, as this was such a great team performance. Well done SRG!

SRG girls make it two wins on the spin

On Friday we played our third league game of the season against Brunel, looking to back up our excellent win away to Burraton with another three points. We started brightly, as Florence ran into the box and Katy poked home our first goal in the fifth minute after some hesitancy in the Brunel back line. Thanks to some last-ditch tackles from player of the match Mia, and some assured and confident goalkeeping from Esme we managed to go in at the break 1:0 up. Brunel then had a period of possession and our back two of Ava and Merryn had to be at their best to keep out a Brunel onslaught.

With 4 minutes to go we broke down the left and Seren passed to Millie who crossed the ball into the box. The Brunel defender, hearing Olivia breathing down her neck, stuck out a foot and diverted the ball into her own net to make it SRG 2 Brunel 0. That goal should have killed off the game, but with two minutes to go Brunel were rewarded for their hard work with a well taken goal to reduce the arrears. The partisan crowd sensed the chance of an unlikely point, and despite our best efforts to gift them a goal thanks to some nervy defending, we hung on to record a hard fought 2:1 against a very skilful and energetic side. We have two league games left, and it's all to play for in the league.

Dates for your Diary

<i>21 – 25 Feb</i>	<i>Half Term</i>
Tue 1 Mar	Closing Date for Farm sign comp 6.30pm Friends meeting NEW
Thu 3 Mar	Cake Sale NEW
Fri 4 Mar	XC League Run
Fri 18 Mar	Landrake Run
Sun 20 Mar	Farm – Big Dig NEW
Fri 25 Mar	Class Photos
Thu 7 Apr	Cake Sale
Fri 8 Apr	Easter Service
<i>11-22 Apr</i>	<i>Easter Holidays</i>
27-29 April	Yr 5: Residential
<i>Mon 2 May</i>	<i>Bank Holiday</i>
Thu 5 May	Cake Sale
9-13 May	SATs Week
<i>30May-3Jun</i>	<i>Half Term</i>
6-7 Jun	Yr 6: Jnr Ten Tors
Thu 9 Jun	Cake Sale
Wed 15 Jun	Sports Day
Fri 17 Jun	Summer Fair
w/b 20 June	Yr 6: London residential
Thu 7 Jul	Cake Sale
Fri 22 Jul	Last day of term
<i>Mon 25 Jul</i>	<i>Inset Day</i>