



Message from Mrs Hunkin

Some of the Year 6 children took part in a transition day at Penair School this week and came back very enthusiastic about the range of lessons/activities they will be able to access next year. Unfortunately due to Covid and bubble closures, other secondary transitions haven't been able to take place, but staff from those schools have been to talk to the pupils. On Tuesday, children in all classes spent the morning in their new classrooms with their new teachers. There was a great atmosphere around the school and children went back to their normal classes in the afternoon full of excitement for next year.

Senior staff and a few governors have recently carried out several monitoring sessions throughout the school (observing teaching/learning and reviewing pupils' books), particularly focusing on attitudes to learning and high quality work in books. It is clear that in every class there is a purposeful working atmosphere and some good progress has been made, particularly in writing. Having had two terms of lockdown/remote learning in the last 18 months, it is not surprising that some children have missed areas of learning; however, recent teacher assessment identifies good progress. Staff will continue to provide catch up support for pupils over the next few terms.

You will probably be aware that several other local schools have needed to close bubbles in recent weeks because of positive cases of Covid. Our teachers are on standby to provide home learning if necessary. If only a few children are out self isolating, we will e-mail work for your children to do at home. If a whole class is out, work will be uploaded to the website in the same way it was in the spring. I have been aware of increasing numbers of people who have been directed to self isolate for 10 days following close contact with people who have subsequently been tested positive. In order to try and avoid needing to self isolate yourselves, please be mindful about the number of people you are in close contact with.

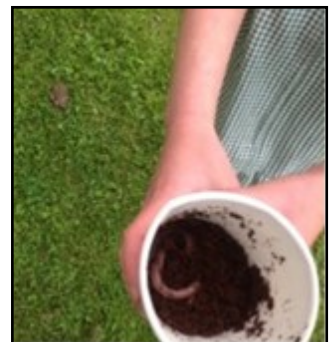
Year 4 Climate Action

Year 4 had a bee focus for Climate Action Day. We learnt about some of the reasons why bees are becoming endangered and how this is a problem because most of the food we eat needs a bee to have pollinated a flower. Did you know that there are about 250 species of bee in the UK and that they are in danger of disappearing from our environment?



Year 3 Climate Action

As part of climate action day year 3 went worm charming! We then used our worms to make compost bins. We also made compost bins without worms. Every week we check our bins and check if our fruit is decomposing. We check if our bins are too wet or need oxygen. We feed our bins more food waste.



Teachers for September

Teachers for September will be as follows:

YF Mrs Harvey, Mrs Lawrence
Y1 Mrs Olive, Mrs McPherson
Y2 Miss Reeve
Y3 Mr Carey, Mrs Green
Y4 Mr Barritt
Y5 Mrs Drzymala
Y6 Mr Miles

Congratulations Year 4

STOP PRESS!

Year 4 are published authors!

If you go down to the woods today, you're sure of a delightful surprise, for hidden in the undergrowth lie many tales, the likes of which have never been seen....

"The day we have been waiting for has arrived! Today we received copies of our 100-word mini sagas which have been published in the book A Wander In The Woods by Young Writers." Year 4

It feels like it's not real - Bea

I feel proud of myself- Lewis

It feels a bit weird to be a published author at such a young age

- Tammy

It feels good to be in a book - Joseph



Year 5 Update

Year 5 have been busy learning how they can help to save the planet by writing to the major supermarkets to persuade them to reduce their use of plastic. Did you know that if we continue the way we are, by 2050, the world's oceans will have more plastic in them than fish! We look forward to sharing our letters with you when they are complete.

Year 6 Update

Children in Year 6 have been preparing for their Transition to secondary school over the past couple of weeks. Some children have managed to visit their schools, but unfortunately some have been unable to, due to the Covid restrictions applying currently.

Those children unable to visit their school have had some preparation sessions here, which included a visit from their Head of Year 7. The children were able to discuss questions and share any concerns they had about starting their new school in September.

We wish our Year 6's well as they think about beginning the next step in their educational journey, they have been an amazing class and will be remembered with great fondness.

Inset Days

Please note that the last day of term is Wednesday 21 July (normal time) and Thursday 22 and Friday 23 July are INSET days.

COVID Reminder

If a child has any COVID symptoms (temperature, cough, loss of taste or smell) they must go for a PCR test at one of the local testing centres. You can book a test online at nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test or call 119.



A lateral flow test is not sufficient and is only effective for identifying asymptomatic cases. Children with symptoms and all members of the same household will need to isolate until they have received the PCR result, if the result is negative they can return to school. If you receive a positive result your child will need to isolate for 10 days from when your child's symptoms started.

Please let us know the result of your child's test as soon as you know, in case we have to isolate bubbles.

Citizens Advice Cornwall

Please see the link below for the summer edition of **Citizens**, the newsletter from **Citizens Advice Cornwall**.

This includes information which may be useful to people in your communities, such as practical advice on **avoiding scams, a new project to help people save money on their fuel bills and the Wise-Up! scheme, aimed at those not in employment, education or training to learn basic money skills**. The newsletter also contains important information about how people in Cornwall can access our free, confidential and independent services.

<https://www.citizensadvicecornwall.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/Citizens-Spring-2021.pdf>



County Cup Victory

A big well done to Poppy, Fenella and Matilda who played for St Agnes under 11's on Saturday. They won the FA County cup final against St Day, they all played brilliantly!

Bird Boxes

Our Year 6 leavers of 2020 made bird boxes which were put up around the school grounds. We are pleased to say that 6 of our bird boxes have Bluetit nests and eggs in them.



Well Done Ruby

Congratulations!! to Ruby Year 5 for successfully achieving a part as Barbara, in the new interactive app, Kevrenna (meaning Share). A free family adventure trail app around the Tin Coast available to download at the end of July. Filming was on Friday 25th June at Portheras Cove with Cousin Jacks theatre company. Well done Ruby.

Here is the email address to find out more:

<https://www.cousinjacks.org/kevrenna>