



Message from Mrs Hunkin

Welcome back to school and to the oddest start of term ever. Children in all classes have settled in really quickly and there seems to be a very happy atmosphere throughout the school. I am enjoying getting to know the new pupils in Foundation Class and I am gradually learning everyone's names. Staff are in the process of updating the website so that class pages include details of class staff and this term's learning. Lots of exciting learning opportunities have been planned for this term - even though some events might be slightly different this year.

Thank you so much for your support in following new routines for drop off and pick up. These seem to be working quite well and we will continually review our systems. Please make every effort to socially distance from other parents when you are on the school site and in the area around the school. If you need to contact your child's teacher, please either phone or e-mail the school office and we will arrange for them to get in touch with you as soon as possible.

As detailed in the information we sent before the start of term, please do not send your child to school if they have any covid-19 symptoms (temperature above 37.8, persistent new cough, loss of smell/taste) and please arrange for them to be tested as soon as possible. Any child developing a cough or temperature during the day will be kept apart from other children and sent home as soon as possible. All other family members will need to self isolate for 14 days - or until a negative test result is received. We are aware that in many cases coughs are 'normal' for many children, particularly this time of year, and that some children regularly have a raised temperature (possibly linked to tooth or ear infection). However, school staff are not in the position to be able to determine whether or not symptoms are 'normal' or whether they are because of Covid-19. Medical guidance we have received is that children need to stay off school until they have been tested (even if they seem much better). It is likely that attendance will be quite erratic for many children (and probably some staff too) because of these requirements, particularly where there are delays in accessing testing kits and getting results. Please be assured that we will do all we can to support your children and to ensure they catch up on missed learning.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries or concerns.

Welcome Foundation Class

Foundation have settled in to school really well. They are enjoying seeing old friends and making new ones. They have been so busy exploring the school grounds and finding their way around the classroom. We have enjoyed going on a bear hunt in the orchard and then made shelters for our bears. In maths, we have been learning about the numbers 1 and 2 and have found examples of these numbers outside. We have started to paint portraits and have been busy doing lots of fine motor skills practise, getting us ready to write. We look forward to showing you what we learn throughout the year!



Year 1

In Year 1 we have made a flying start to the new academic year. We have launched our topic "Cornish Myths and Legends". We listened to the legend of Cormoran the Giant from St Michael's Mount and created a story map. We used our story map to retell the story with expression and actions. We also created a collage of the story by drawing around Arya to create the outline of the giant! We learned about piskies and made our own piskie potions for any that may reside in our orchard. Over the coming weeks you will be able to read our Cormoran writing and see our collage display on our Y1 website page.



Year 4

Year 4 have had fantastic first week back. They have very quickly learnt the new routines and are established as efficient hand washers. As part of our Tudors and Stuarts topic, they have all made a Tudor house for our display. Each child has made a birthday card so that whenever we have a class birthday there is a card from the class to the birthday child. We've also really enjoyed learning Roman numerals - you might like to check out this song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z1UmAgekzbs>



Autumn Term Dates

Due to Covid-19 school events may not be able to take place. We will confirm events nearer the time.

September

Tues 22 8.30 AM Resources & Safeguarding Committee Meeting
 Tues 29 2.30 PM Kea School Friends AGM – **TBC**
 Wed 30 9.10 AM Governor Teaching & Learning Committee Meeting

October

Mon 5 1.30-3.30 pm Full Governing Body Meeting
 Tues 6 8.30 am Individual & family photographs
 Fri 23 Break up for half term
 26-30 Oct Half term
 Sat 31 Deadline for Y6 parents to apply for a secondary school place

November

Mon 2 Back to school
 9 Nov Nasal Flu Vaccines - All year groups - more information to follow
 Fri 13 Children in Need Non School Uniform Day - **TBC**
 Tues 17 8.30 am Resources & Safeguarding Committee Meeting
 Wed 25 9.10 am Teaching & Learning Committee Meeting