

**Friday 10 November 2017****Attendance Percentage: Week Ending Friday 10 November 2017:**

FAL	COBER	LERRYN	HELFDOR	KENWYN	TAMAR	TRESILLIAN
92.6	97.4	96.8	98.5	99.1	100	100

**Attendance to date:**

FAL	COBER	LERRYN	HELFDOR	KENWYN	TAMAR	TRESILLIAN
97.27	98.53	96.20	97.94	97.47	97.84	98.68

Current whole school attendance: 97.65%

Dear Parents and Carers, In my last letter I mentioned the 2017 Cornwall Sports' Awards. Nine members of staff attended the ceremony at the Headlands Hotel and it was a fantastic event. There was only one category for schools and Constantine were one of only four schools shortlisted - an outstanding achievement. We didn't win but this was a truly amazing experience and we were all thrilled when Mrs Gilbert was awarded our gold baton for being shortlisted. We all felt it was a real privilege to celebrate the achievements of coaches, clubs and volunteers from all over Cornwall who have inspired others to participate in sport and fitness. We were all incredibly proud to be part of such an inspirational gathering.

We continue to offer opportunities in all aspects of the curriculum and beyond and Thursday was no exception. We had a visit from Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, Pirate FM came to record the choir, Cameron the fisherman brought in the morning's catch to Kenwyn and each class had a presentation from the Cats' Protection League! Exhausting but fun! Please tune into Pirate FM at 8:15am on Thursday 30 November to hear our choir singing "25 sleeps 'til Santa". A film of them will also be on the Pirate FM website.

All of a sudden we are talking about Christmas and with this in mind Father Stewart has asked me to pass on news of a very special 'Festival of Crib Scenes' to be held in Constantine Church from mid-December until early January. The scenes can be any size and made from any material. I am sure it is something many of you would like to get involved in. If the children bring in their scenes on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December we will deliver them to Church as part of our Christingle celebration. Please make sure they are named so they can be returned in January. This year we are again involved in the Christmas Tree Festival at Princess Pavilion in Falmouth. The opening ceremony and big 'switch on' for this is at 5:30pm on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> of December. I know those of you who attended last year thought it was a magical evening so do save the date in your diaries.

On a very sad note all the staff at school were incredibly saddened to hear of the death of Liz Moore. Liz has always been a wonderful supporter of Constantine School and she was instrumental in helping us organise our 50th Birthday Celebrations and our Queen's 90th Birthday tea party. We will all miss her and extend our sincere sympathies to her family and friends. Best wishes, Helen Bancroft

**MATHLETICS:** Wow! What a great score Zephryn!

Zephryn Caddy-White Helford 10194

Lula Warner Lerryn 2434

Hannah Rivero Tresillian 2218

Lydia Massey Helford 2134

Harry Gay Tresillian 2020

**SUMMARY OF PARENTS MEETING 31 OCTOBER 2017:**

If you didn't manage to attend the meeting on 31 October 2017 outlining the plans for January 2018, there is a summary in the office for you to collect.

**FLU VACCINATIONS:** These are on Thursday 16 November for those children who have been signed up in years Reception, 1, 2, 3, and 4.

**SPOTACULAR CHILDREN IN NEED: FRIDAY 17 NOVEMBER.** Kids' Council would like you to help us raise lots of money by dressing in pyjamas or spotty clothes. They challenge you to put as much loose change as possible on the Pudsey shaped 'spots' which will be around the school. Mrs Cheshire has very kindly volunteered to paint spots or bandanas on faces with face paint for an extra 20p. (If your child is allergic to face paint, please discourage them from having their face painted.)

**LOCK ON GATE:** After a safeguarding review, the school has placed a lock on the entrance gate to the EYFS KS1 area. There are no changes to our fire evacuation procedure as the assembly point has always been on the field. The Pre-school are now entering from the field gate side of school onto the verandah of their building but anyone requiring disabled access can still enter from the field but use the original ramped door at the side.

**LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR REQUIRED:** We are seeking to employ a lunchtime supervisor every day for 1 hour at lunchtime (12.15-1.15pm Mon-Thurs; 12.00-1.00pm Fri). Please collect an application form from the office.

### **SPORT:**

**Netball:** We had an amazing game against Mabe School and Alec played his first match. Despite his excitement getting the better of him, where he attempted to score for the wrong team we still managed to win 7-0. Well done for your great defending and also to our team who are playing much more cohesively now. Next week we play against Kennall Vale in match 1, pitch 1 at 4pm. The team will be: Olivia, Kirsty, Barney CG, William, Taya and Ronan. Thanks in advance to our drivers: Alice, Hayley and Lucy.

**Football:** We played again Flushing on Wednesday and lost 2-1 despite a hard fight. Next week we play Penryn 2, match 2 (starting at 4.20pm) pitch 3. Our team will be Josh, Jowan, Mason, Sam Chinn, Bertie, Nayte, Brendan and Aiden.

**Swimming gala:** Next week we have a prompt start as we need to set off for the gala at 8:55am. Our drivers are: Mrs G (in Boskenwyn mini bus), Melissa, Charlotte and Becky. The gala starts at 9:45 and all spectators are required to remove their footwear. It will be rather loud and very exciting and I'd advise all parents who will be watching to take water and wear layers as it will be hot. We are also delighted that our reputation for having some great swimmers has led to us helping out two other schools. William and Bertie will be swimming for Flushing School and Rosie, Lily, Rona and Martha D swimming for Mawnan Smith School Y6 girls team. We are now taking 23 children instead of just 16. This will make the gala even more exciting as our swimmers will race against each other. We do need another driver to help transport the extra swimmers, so please let me know on the bottom of the form if you can help. Many thanks.

**Gymnastics:** Mrs G spent an afternoon with those children who have learnt some of the routines required for the Key Steps Competition and can now confirm that the following will represent us on 23rd November: Lydia, Rona, Phoebe-Bo, Olivia G, Valerie, Alice, Helen, Lilah, Martha D, Freya, Alec and Evie. Permission slips have been sent out today. We are hoping to hire a mini bus but please indicate if you can help with driving on the form anyway and you will be contacted to confirm. Well done to all who put in the effort. I was most impressed. Those now competing must learn both routines.

Mrs G

**DATA COLLECTION SHEETS:** Forms have been sent home today for you to check all the details of your child, e.g. name, address, dob, contacts etc. Please return this by Friday 17 Nov with any changes. If there are no changes please mark "No Changes".

**COOKERY LESSONS:** Cookery lessons take place for all classes throughout the year on a rota basis each Friday morning. The children will cook at least twice a term. Please can you contribute towards the ingredients by giving £5 to the school office (in a named envelope please). This covers your child for the year. Many thanks.

**COBER CLASS TRIP:** Cober class are visiting Pendennis Castle on Wednesday 15 November. Children will need to be dropped off at the Castle Car Park by 9.50am and be collected from there at 2.30pm. **PACKED LUNCHES ARE BEING PROVIDED BY THE KITCHEN.**

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

15 Nov Cober class to Pendennis Castle  
16 Nov Flu Vaccinations R, Yrs 1, 2, 3, 4  
16 Nov Swimming gala  
17 Nov Children in Need Day  
27 Nov Mowzer's cat workshop Helford & Tresillian.  
5 Dec HRCST Advent Carol service 7pm Church  
6 Dec Tamar class Eden Ice Skating, Eden  
6 Dec Lantern parade and Christmas Lights  
12 Dec Nativity play dress rehearsal  
13 Dec Christingle at Church 9.30am  
13 Dec Christmas Dinner  
13 Dec Nativity play afternoon performance 2pm  
14 Dec Nativity play evening performance 6.30pm  
20 Dec Break up for Christmas holidays.

**COATS.** As it is getting colder, please ensure that all children have named coats in school every day otherwise they will not be able to go out to play.  
Also please name all other school uniform.

**POLITE NOTICE:** When collecting Y1 and Y2 children please **do not allow** your younger children to play on the apparatus. They are not supervised by staff and therefore our insurance does not cover any injuries. It is also a disturbance to the other classes who back on to the field. Thank you

**"CASTLE ON THE HILL":** Featuring footage of 1992 Constantine, music by Wayne Lampshire and poetry by Kerry Vincent. All taking to the Sunrise Appeal.  
Saturday 11 November 2017 7.30pm, Tolmen Centre  
£5/£3.