#### Constantine Primary School

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# Friday 21 OCTOBER 2016

Attendance Percentage: Week Ending Friday 21 October 2016:

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FAL	COBER	LERRYN	HELFORD	KENWYN	TAMAR	TRESILLIAN			
100	90.4	93.9	97.5	98.1	96.8	91.3			

	Attendance to date.								
FAL	COBER	LERRYN	HELFORD	KENWYN	TAMAR	TRESILLIAN			
100	96.82	98.43	96.79	97.83	98.03	91.3			

Current whole school attendance: 97.78%

Well done to Fal class for having 100% attendance for all of this half term!

Dear Parents/Carers, By now our history week will have come to an end and hopefully this afternoon's celebrations were a fitting tribute to the wonderful life and times of our school. The children have loved delving into the history of schools in Constantine and I want to say a big 'Thank you' to our Governor, Mr Don Garman, who provided us with so much information from the museum. The children were especially fascinated with extracts from the punishment book! I would also like to thank Mr Ronnie Rashleigh and Mrs Sheila Symons who came in on Tuesday and answered the children's questions about their times at schools in Constantine. They were hugely entertaining and informative and gave the children a real life insight into the similarities and differences of their school life and ours. Thanks also for the lovely cakes, buns and biscuits that you gave to school for our celebration party.

Times keep moving on and as we are now part of TLAT (The Learning Academy Trust) last week we had our first Cornerstone Hub Governors meeting with Governor colleagues from Mabe. All present agreed that it will be a really exciting opportunity to keep our standards high with mutual challenge and support as we all strive to be the best that we can be and offer the best opportunities for all of our children.

I wish you all a very Happy Half Term break. Helen Bancroft

**COOKERY:** We will be making Christmas Cakes next term with all the children. We will bake them in empty tin cans, so please can each child bring in an empty clean 400g tin (e.g. baked bean tin). Thanks.

PHOTOGRAPHS: The photograph order form has been sent out (except for Year 6 which will be ready after half term). Orders can be done online or by bringing the order form to school by 1 November 2016. Cheques to be made payable to 'TSPC Ltd'.

<u>HALLOWEEN QUIZ</u>: Constantine Social Club are kindly holding a quiz night this Saturday at 8pm in aid of Constantine Pre-School. First prize £100. Teams of up to 6 people. There will be a raffle on the night with some fantastic prizes including Exeter Chiefs rugby tickets, Tesco vouchers, Eden Project and Maritime Museum passes and much more....... If you can't make it but would like some raffle tickets they are on sale at the club and from Pre-School staff. It would be great to see parents/carers at the quiz to support our Pre-School. For more information please call 07791 492416.

<u>GO ACTIVE CLUBS:</u> Unfortunately the Multi Sports Club (Tues) and the Street Surfing Club (Fri) that Go Active wanted to run after half term are **cancelled**. This is because we do not have sufficient numbers to run them. As most of you have paid, please collect your money from the school office. However the Gym club (Thurs) will continue, there are spaces available and this is now open to KS1 children also. Please sign up with Mrs Beswick before Wednesday 2 November.

<u>PTA AGM</u> will be Friday 18th November at 2pm at the school. If you fancy joining please do come along. Many thanks to Jamie and Tania Reed for DJ'ing last night at the Halloween Disco.

Can I also add my thanks to Mr Barnes, Ellie James and all of her helpers at such a lively event, from Mrs Bancroft.

MATHLETICS: Well done this week to: Nayte Stevens Kenwyn 3050 Violet Blackburn Lerryn 2520 Hannah Rivero Tamar 1950 Martha Turner Lerryn 1696 Polly Bailey Tamar 1484

<u>HEART RADIO</u>: Some children will be attending Heart Radio Station on Thursday 3 November with Mrs Churchley at 9.30am to do a recording of a Cornish version of a Christmas song. Permission slips will go out on Tuesday after half term. We will need to leave school at 8.30am.

#### SPORT:

<u>Swimming</u>: The first Friday after half term is Tresillian's last swim with Constantine School and we will be back at Culdrose for this session. We will also be taking the same nine swimmers from Tamar and Kenwyn as they have been trying out for the gala.

<u>Netball:</u> Our netball team did well on Wednesday against Perranarworthal but unfortunately lost in the end with the score being 5-3. The children did a great job marking and covering the court and all footwork has improved. Tiana scored another awesome goal and congratulations must go to Katie who played in the team for the first time and did us proud - intercepting many balls from the opposition. The week after half term we are playing against Truro High, first match at 4pm on court 2. Our team will be: Sarah, David, Edward, Olivia, Olivia and Tiana. Many thanks to Hayley and Mrs G who can drive there. We will need some volunteers to pick children up from Penryn. Please let Mrs G know if you can help here.

Indoor Athletics Y3/4 & Y5/6 On Friday 4th November the annual indoor athletics event takes place at Penryn College. Nine boys and girls from each age group will take part in a range of activities including a javelin throw, speed bounce, standing long jump and several sprint races, some with obstacles. It is a great event with so much going on at once. Permission slips have been distributed today and will need returning asap with an indication of any willing volunteer drivers on the bottom of the form please. The children taking part in Yr 5/6 during the afternoon are Sarah, Freyja, Olivia G, Alexandra, Olivia W, Gracie, Taya, Chelsea, Kirsty, Harry G, Sam, Alec, Edward, Ethan J, David, Eiger, Kaiden and Leo. Unfortunately, for some in Y5/6, this means they cannot attend their final training session in the pool. However, Mrs G will gladly give tips and advice on technique and starts/finishes if you are swimming with your families over half term.

<u>Football:</u> Our next match is on Wednesday 2 November against Mawnan. We are playing in the second match which starts at 4.20pm, so we will not be back to school until approx. 5.15pm. The team will be: Jack R, Kaiden, Ethan J, Jack G, Gracie, Alexandra, Angus and William N. Best of luck.

<u>PARENTS OF LERRYN CLASS</u>: We are very grateful to parents of children in Lerryn for their time helping us on the educational visit to Chyan Community Farm on Wednesday. It was a fun morning full of learning, and thanks for making it happen.

Here is advance notice of a visit to Helston Museum on Friday 18th November, when the class will be working with author Catherine Hyde who has just launched her book 'The Star Tree'. She will be reading from the book and will work with the children to create their own stories using some of the key words from her book. We will also have artist Lucy Grant working with us to create an artistic response to the book as well as the children creating their own Star Trees. This is a free workshop and is part of a wider national 'Take Over' Museums day. How exciting and thanks to Tracey Clowes and Jude Carroll for making this happen for us!

## SECONDARY ADMISSIONS DEADLINE

Parents of children in Year 6 need to get their admission forms to County Hall to secure a place for secondary school by Monday 31 October 2016.

BF ADVENTURE: Spider webs, zombies, haunted canoe quarry, ghosts and spooky workshops! It's all going on in the Children's Holiday Adventure Days at BF Adventure this Half Term. See the website for more information and to book <a href="https://www.bfadventure.org">www.bfadventure.org</a>. Also see the poster on our notice board.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

31 Oct Secondary admissions deadline

31 Oct Back to school

1 Nov Clarinet taster session Year 5

3 Nov Kenwyn class to Maritime Museum, Falmouth

4 Nov Indoor athletics Penryn yr3/4 am, yr5/6 pm

9 Nov Cober visit to Pendennis Castle

11 Nov Swimming Gala 9.45-12, Truro School

18 Nov Lerryn class to Helston Museum

21 Nov Hearing Screening Year 1

6 Dec Christingle

14 Dec Christmas Dinner

16 Dec Break up for Christmas Holidays

4 Jan 2017 Back to School

Genuinely Affordable Housing in Constantine? Are you interested? Constantine Community Land Trust is a local charitable (non-profit) organisation dedicated to the development and stewardship of affordable housing for this community. We intend to build, and to offer for sale, affordable homes in the village for prices significantly below those of currently available commercial, so-called "affordable" homes (which in fact are unaffordable for most first-time buyers!). We are making good progress now and should be able to make some exciting announcements in the near future. If you have previously registered an interest in housing with us, or would like to do so now, please contact us. If you know of others who would be interested please put them in touch with us. Louise Munn tel. 341378, and Adrian Roberts 340552

(Louise and Adrian are both Trustees and Directors of CCLT. Louise is also the Secretary.)