



Friday 4 December 2015

Attendance Percentage: Week Ending Friday 4 December:

FAL	COBER	LERRYNN	HELFFORD	KENWYNN	TAMAR	TRESILLIAN
95.7	87	95.8	98	100	96.1	97.1

Attendance to date:

FAL	COBER	LERRYNN	HELFFORD	KENWYNN	TAMAR	TRESILLIAN
95.42	96.93	96.88	98.22	98.02	97.23	98.57

Current whole school attendance: 97.32%

Dear Parents / Carers, We are suddenly feeling festive this week. The first candle on our Advent Crown was lit; the corridors are echoing with the choir practising their carols; and the hall is buzzing with Nativity rehearsals. Even a few staff Christmas jumpers have had their first annual airing! The Helford River Children's Sailing Trust Advent Carol Service was lovely. Our children did us all proud as they sang and played beautifully. Many thanks to Mrs Churchley and Mrs Micklem for their efforts into coordinating such a magnificent show and thank you to all children and congregation who took part.

It has been great to see so many of you at the parent consultation evenings. Your feedback to Governors was also greatly appreciated - my thanks to Lisa Sampson, one of our Parent Governors, who stayed on both nights to hear your views. Next week is equally busy with our Nativity performances and our Christingle. Please be reminded that the pick-up is from CHURCH on Tuesday at 3:15pm but we'd love you to join us for the service at 2:30pm. Best wishes, Helen Bancroft

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY Everyone is invited to wear their Christmas jumpers on Friday 18 December 2015. Please bring in £1 which will go to Save The Children Fund. Please don't buy a jumper-create one!

LUNCHTIME SUPERVISORY ASSISTANT

needed to assist in the lunch hall and on the playground 5 hours per week. If you are interested please apply in writing or e mail secretary@constantine.cornwall.sch.uk

CHRISTMAS DINNER... is on Wednesday 16 December. Forms have been given out for you to sign up so that the kitchen know how many to cater for. Even if you have a school dinner regularly, please return the form with the money in advance. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 need to return the form, but they do not have to pay as they are part of the Universal Free School Meals Scheme. Please return the form before Wed 9 December so that you are not disappointed

MATHLETICS Well done to:

Martha Dixon Lerryn 3943
Edward Hayes Tamar 3042
Charlotte Bibby Tamar 2670
Andrew Roberts Tamar 1689
David Nicholls Tamar 1653

CHRISTMAS NATIVITY: Children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 are performing their nativity play 'Angel Express' on Mon Dec 7 at 2pm and Tues Dec 8 at 6.30pm, (children will need to be in school at 6pm). The dress rehearsal is on Mon 7th at 11.10am. We will not be selling tickets but you are very welcome to give a donation after the performances which will go to the Sepsis Trust. We will also have a raffle on both the performances.

CAROL SINGING AROUND THE VILLAGE

Carol singing and the official tree lighting ceremony is TONIGHT. Meet at the Social Club at 6.45pm.

HEAD LICE Please be vigilant in checking your children's hair and use the wet combing method with conditioner to get rid of them, PLEASE!!

ICE CREAM MACHINES WANTED: Do you have an ice cream maker at home that Tamar Class could borrow? Perhaps you have one lurking at the back of the kitchen cupboard that we could use until the end of term. Please let Mr Wild know if you can help us.

END OF TERM

School will finish at 1.15pm on Friday 18 December 2015. There will be no kids club on this day. If you have difficulty collecting your child at this time, please can you let us know.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Christmas Ceilidh at the Tolmen Centre on 12 December at 7.30pm. Tickets are selling fast; they are on sale at the school office at £10 per ticket to include a chilli and jacket potato meal. Everyone welcome! All proceeds to PTA.

ICE SKATING: As a Christmas treat, and to celebrate the end of our 'Frozen' topic, Mr Wild has arranged for Tamar Class and Tresillian Class to go ice skating at Eden on Tuesday 15th December. A permission slip with details of the visit has been sent home with your child. Please return it early next week and please remember to use the school bank on Tuesday 8 December to make your payment for the visit.

SPORTS: Netball: Our netball team had two great games. They unfortunately lost 10-2 to Mawnan Smith who is the winner of the whole league - well done to our neighbours who played so well. We then went on to beat Kennall Vale 6-1. In this game we completely dominated the pitch and had so many opportunities to shoot. Our team were awesome! Over the last term our team have played every week against 13 different schools and they have got better and stronger with every game. Having won 6 games, lost 5 and drawn 2 we are expecting to come in the middle of the league table somewhere which is a great place to be and the best position we have had in many years. Well done to all our players and especially our parents who have enabled these matches to take place.

Football: The team played Kennall Vale and lost 2-0 despite playing a very good game. Next week we play Mylor A which starts at 3.55pm so children should be back at school at approx 4.45pm. The last football match of the league will be on 16 December when we play Mylor B.

Next term we begin the basketball and hockey leagues.

A Mile a Day & PE Kit: A number of children do not seem to have a PE kit in school every day. This is essential as most classes have now taken on board the 'Mile a Day' physical challenge. In order to take part all children must have trainers that fit them, in school, every day; (we do not recommend the black pumps as these do not support young feet well enough). Next week we have a videographer coming to work with Mrs Gilbert on Friday morning as we have been recommended as a case study for the 'Cornwall Time 2 Move' online publication and website as a school that shows characteristics of excellence for curriculum delivery. Many classes will be filmed, Mrs G, Mrs Bancroft, parents and children may be interviewed and we would love to be looking smart in our Navy PE kit, proudly wearing our school badge on our chests. What an exciting opportunity. If there are any willing parents who would like to be a part of this please let Mrs G know asap.

WEEKEND SPORTS: At Constantine School we are proud of all the sporting opportunities on offer. However, we'd like to find out more about the sports that our pupils get involved in at the weekend or after school. Perhaps you: play golf, go show jumping, do gymnastics, play rugby, go sailing, kayak, dive, surf, go mountain-biking, play tennis, go dancing, go rock-climbing... We'd like to know more about the sports you take part in outside of school and we would like to make a display in school to showcase this. Please contribute to our display by providing a photo of you doing your sport/physical/adventurous activity, or, maybe you could paint a picture instead. Hopefully, with enough images, we can really celebrate all the sport we take part in with a wonderful display in the hall.

GYMNASTICS This term we have part funded Sporting World to deliver a gymnastics club on a Friday to 20 pupils from years 3-5. We are considering continuing this next term and would like to know if there is enough interest to do this. Please register your interest with Mrs Beswick/Mrs Gilbert if your child is interested. The cost will be £4 per week for 7 weeks. We are keen to hear from pupils right across the school in the first instance. If we are inundated with numbers we will restrict the age we offer this to. It is a club we'd like to offer all year round if there is enough interest. Mrs G

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

7 Dec	Dress rehearsal 11.10am KS1 nativity
7 Dec	Matinee performance KS1 nativity 2pm
7 Dec	Tolmen Centre Santa and Reindeers 6-8pm
8 Dec	Tresillian trip to Maritime Museum
8 Dec	Evening performance KS1 nativity 6.30pm
8 Dec	Christingle Service at Church 2.30pm
12 Dec	Christmas Ceilidh at Tolmen Centre
15 Dec	Ice Skating Tamar and Tresillian
16 Dec	School Christmas Dinner
18 Dec	Break up for Christmas at 1.15pm.
5 Jan 2016	Children back to School after Christmas

UNIFORM We are regularly being asked to look for uniform and PE kit. Last week Fynn's PE kit went missing from his peg, and Eiger's black and red swim shorts went missing after swimming. Please can you check that you have your child's uniform/PE kit. If your child returns home wearing the wrong uniform, or brings home someone else's PE kit, PLEASE RETURN IT TO SCHOOL!

THREADWORMS There have been some cases reported in school recently. If you think your child has threadworms, please take him/her to the doctor and once treated he/she will be able to come back to school. Treatment is recommended for the whole family.

ROYAL CORNWALL MUSEUM has lots of activities on the Saturdays before Christmas and during the holidays. Mrs Beswick has a flyer in the office if you are interested.

CHRISTMAS WEEK CRICKET FUN DAYS, for children aged 5-11. 21/22/23 December 9am - 1pm. For further details m.kent@cornwallcricket.co.uk.