



Friday 27 JANUARY 2017

Attendance Percentage: Week Ending Friday 27 January 2017:

FAL	COBER	LERRYNN	HELFFORD	KENWYNN	TAMAR	TRESILLIAN
91.7	96.8	94.4	72.9	81.9	91.5	84.1

Attendance to date:

FAL	COBER	LERRYNN	HELFFORD	KENWYNN	TAMAR	TRESILLIAN
97.21	94.26	97.92	94.59	95.11	96.64	95.29

Current whole school attendance: 95.83%

Dear Parents/Carers,

I think I must be one of the proudest Headteachers in Cornwall after the superb performance of our two teams at the annual Rotary Club Youth Speak competition. It is such a nerve-racking event requiring real poise as the children have to deliver almost word perfect speeches to a large and unfamiliar audience. Our teams were magnificent. Well done to Samuel Curtis, Olivia George and William Nicholls who spoke about You Tube and David Nicholls, Alexandra Husson and Eiger Swinscow who spoke about air pollution. Thanks to Miss Paine, Mr Wild and their parents for all the extra coaching.

On another note many of you have been hit by this horrible flu/sickness bug. One of the most worrying aspects is the very high temperature it generates. If your child shows any signs please keep them off school as the children and staff affected have gone downhill very quickly and are needing a longer recovery time than with the usual bugs that we as a school community are susceptible to.

Can I put in one last plea for our lunchtime supervisor vacancy? We are struggling to recruit this position but if you can spare three hours a week at lunchtime the pay is £8.25 per hour (subject to a DBS check). Please see me or Mrs Beswick in the office if you want to join the team.

Best wishes Helen Bancroft.

REFUGEE CRISIS: There will be a special fundraising event from the PTA with all proceeds going to the refugee crisis. If you have any unwanted Christmas presents please bring into school next week. There will be a table top sale on FRIDAY 3rd FEBRUARY straight after assembly. All items will be very reasonably priced and all monies received will be donated to a refugee support charity. Thanks to Frances Midson for the suggestion. In addition the refugee appeals are asking for donations of warm winter clothes: coats, gloves, hats etc. If you have any that your children have outgrown please also bring them into school this week as Ellie James has kindly offered to take them to the collection points. Many thanks in advance of your generosity.

CURRICULUM: Maths Challenge: This is a 'mastery' activity aimed at Year 3 and involved multiplication.

What do you notice about the following calculations?

$$3 \times 4$$

$$3 \times 8$$

$$4 \times 4$$

$$4 \times 8$$

$$3 \times 5$$

$$3 \times 10$$

Return your answers to Mr Anjari or Miss Bidgood to earn yourself a raffle ticket.

STARGAZING: On the evening of Tuesday 8th February our school will be joined by members of the Cornwall Astronomical Society to host a stargazing event at school. Several society members will bring large telescopes and with luck, we can all use them to view the night sky. In the hall there will be an astronomy presentation and some films about space. In addition, there will be space themed art and craft activities for children and their families to take part in. The PTA have kindly agreed to provide refreshments and hot dogs to raise funds and we also hope to be selling space themed biscuits and cakes made by the children. The event will start at 6:00pm and should finish by 8:00pm and will be free. Children must be accompanied by an adult and will not be permitted to attend unless they are accompanied. Please join us for what promises to be an awe inspiring evening.

SPORT:

Swimming Gala: Our nine swimmers have been at Truro Leisure Centre this afternoon swimming in the second round/Cornwall School Games gala qualifier. We will let you know how they got on in next week's newsletter.

Basketball: Report from Olivia W. "2 more wins for Constantine with our first game against Perranarworthal ending in a close win which was 16-14 to us. Then our second game against Stithians ended in a 14-10 win to us as well. A huge thanks to Jack G for stepping in for Angus. Well done to everyone who played".

X Country Friday 3 February: We have had most of the 52 x- country permission slips back and we don't have enough drivers to get the children there. We have therefore hired a coach to transport the children. If your child is attending then please send in a £3 donation towards the costs of hire to ensure your child can take part in the wonderful opportunity and competition. Mrs Gilbert and Miss Bidgood will be attending the event along with the children. This will be a great afternoon of running and it is always fun to watch so please come along and support our runners if you can. All children will return to school on the coach hopefully in time for the end of the school day. Please make sure they all have waterproof and warm clothing to wear when they are not running. The Channel 4 Pitch is quite exposed and it can be extremely cold there. Also ensure your child has a healthy snack and plenty of water to drink. The top 8 from each race will go through to the next round at Pool Academy.

Trannack x country

The annual Coose Trannack is being held on Saturday 18 March 2017. The event is open to all children from Year Reception to Year 12 and will involve separate races for each primary school age group. Further details and registrations forms can be found on the website: http://trannack.eschools.co.uk/website/coose_trannack/29267. There is also an adult 'fun' run for anyone who likes a challenge and a bit of fun!

Go Active Sports Clubs for after half term: Go Active are offering the following clubs after half term:

Tues 21 Feb for 6 wks, KS2 Archery + Crossbows Max 26 children £30.00;

Thursday 23 Feb for 6 wks, KS1+KS2 Dodgeball, max 30 children £20;

Friday 24 Feb for 6 wks, KS2 volleyball+badminton, max 25 children £20.

Forms are available from Mrs Beswick, first come, first served. All forms need to be returned to Mrs B by 8 Feb.

GO ACTIVE STREE DANCE CLUB: A street dance session was missed on 12 January because of illness. This session will now take place on Monday 6 February. So during that week there will be 2 sessions one on the Monday and one on the Thursday.

MATHLETICS: Super scores this week, well done - especially those unwell at home but still learning!
Elizabeth Midson Helford 4068
Nina Newton Lerryn 2393
Nayte Stevens Kenwyn 2283
Rosie James Lerryn 2280
Grace Moyle Helford 1798

LERRYN CLASS MAMMOTH UNDERTAKING!

Hello and thanks to all the parents of Lerryn children for the fantastic support with the home learning/homework topic grids and the brilliant educational visit to Penrose on Monday. We would love any spare fabric that you have for our textile woolly mammoth that you are working on. Any colours or textures would be welcome! Thank you.

The Friends of Garras School have organised a fundraising evening on Saturday 4th February at Gweek Village hall with local ceilidh band Jonah's Lift. It is a very child friendly event starting at 5pm and finishing at 8:30pm with lots of music, dancing, homemade soup and cakes, local pasties and a bar for the grown-ups. Entry is £5 for adults, £1 for children with under 5's free.

GO ACTIVE FEBRUARY HOLIDAY CLUB

Go Active Cornwall run holiday clubs for children aged 5-14 years of age. They are being run on Tuesday 14 and Wednesday 15 February at Penryn Campus Sports Centre. If you would like further details please call at the office for further details.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

3 Feb First round of Cross Country races
3 Feb Table Top Sale 3.15pm
7 Feb Fal class to Eden Project
8 Feb Star gazing evening
10 Feb Break up for half term
20 Feb Back to school after half term
24 Feb Tresillian photography workshop
24 Feb Kenwyn class start swimming
27 Feb Cober class to Newquay Zoo
28 Feb Olympic athlete in school
2 Mar Tresillian photography workshop
27,28,29 March - Year 3/4 camp a Eden Project
31 Mar Break up for Easter holidays
19 Apr Back to school after Easter holidays

LOST: A size 28" jumper from Lerryn class. Please can you check your child's jumper to make sure that it has your child's name in it. If not please return to Mrs Beswick