



**Friday 3 February 2017**

**Attendance Percentage: Week Ending Friday 3 February 2017:**

FAL	COBER	LERRYIN	HELFDOR	KENWYN	TAMAR	TRESILLIAN
98.9	95.6	94.1	96.3	90.5	96.2	91.3

**Attendance to date:**

FAL	COBER	LERRYIN	HELFDOR	KENWYN	TAMAR	TRESILLIAN
97.28	94.32	97.68	94.62	94.83	96.59	95.04

Current whole school attendance: 95.72%

Dear Parents/Carers, You may have noticed our new school signs recognising that we are now part of TLAT (The Learning Academy Trust) so I thought this would be a good time to update you on our work within the TLAT. There have been changes to procedures, especially in the office and in some parts of my role; however, as far as the children are concerned it is business as usual as we continue to deliver our exciting curriculum and provide all of those extra opportunities that make Constantine School such a unique place to learn. We have had great support from staff at TLAT working on school improvement and staff professional development and our Cornerstone Hub Governing Body are getting to know each other and find a way of working to benefit both Constantine and Mabe Schools. If you get chance have a look at The Learning Academy Trust website to get a feel for the whole organisation. There are always 'tweets' from Constantine featured. Thank you for all donations for the refugee crisis. We have had loads of bags of warm clothes which I know will be gratefully received. Hopefully today's sale of your unwanted goods will also make a substantial contribution to help those in need. My thanks to all involved.

Next Wednesday I hope you can join us for 'Space Night'. Hopefully it will be a clear sky and we can all have fun learning about the stars with a hot dog supper to keep us going. Best wishes Helen Bancroft.

**CURRICULUM:** This week we are looking at PRONOUNS. A pronoun is a word which mainly replaces a noun. Examples of pronouns - he, she, it, they, their, his, hers, ours, them, we. Pronouns are important to use in writing as it stops repetition and lengthy sentences! **Challenge:** Can you make these repetitive sentences better by replacing some of the nouns with pronouns? **1)** Philip played with Philip's football in Philip's garden. **2)** Anna and Natalie enjoy watching Anna and Natalie's video. **3)** The dragon stood on the car and squashed the car. **4)** Billy's favourite subjects are maths and science. Billy's good at maths and science. **5)** Joel ran home. When Joel got home, Joel went to Joel's room. Give your answers to Miss Paine for a raffle ticket!

**SCHOOL DAY** School starts every day at 08:55. Children are allowed to come into the classroom from 08:45 when they sit and read until the bell sounds. All children who come into school after the bell at get marked with an 'L'. Too many late marks will attract the attention of the Education Welfare Officer, so please be on time!

**A MESSAGE FROM THE SCHOOL KITCHEN** School dinners cost £2.25 per day. Please bring your money in an envelope on **MONDAY MORNINGS**. If your child has a milkshake, this also needs to come in on a Monday. Cheques payable to 'Eden Foodervice'. We have new brown envelopes for you to use, please write on the envelope the days you want school dinners. Thank you.

**KENWYN CLASS:** Swimming will take place after half term for 7 weeks. Please can you bring in £35 to cover the cost of the coach and the pool hire before half term.

**LUNCHTIME COVER** - Have you 3 hours to spare during the week? Come and work for us a lunchtime supervisor 12.15-1.15 on Tues, Wed and Thurs lunchtimes. Please see Mrs Bancroft or Mrs Beswick for more information.

**STARGAZING:** On the evening of Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> 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. Please complete the tear-off strip below if you are coming so we have an idea of numbers for catering.

**STARGAZING EVENING. I will be attending the Stargazing evening on Wednesday 8 February. The number attending will be:**

**Number of Adults:**  **Number of children:**  **Signed:** ..... **Date:**.....

**SPORT: Cross Country:** This event was postponed today because of the bad weather conditions. It will take place same time, same place on Friday 10 February 2017. Please bring in the £3 to cover the cost of the coach if you haven't already.

**Basketball League 2017 Semi Finals & Finals:** Next week our basketball squad of eight players from Y6 play in the semi finals of the basketball league 2017. If they do well the finals immediately follow. We are very excited because so far our team are undefeated! If you are able to drive then please let Mrs G know. Good luck to Edward, Olivia, David, Angus, Jack G, Alexandra & Gracie.

**Swimming gala Round 2 (Jan 2017):** Jago, Angus, Eiger, Edward, Barney, Barney, Fynn, Theo and Kaiden did an amazing job at this round and the level of competition was phenomenal. They were all swimming against club and county swimmers - which is a great accolade to our children's sporting abilities when we only have one club swimmer amongst them. They all rose to the challenge and although extremely nervous they achieved the following results in their heats: 3 bronze in front crawl Y5 & Y6 and backstroke Y5, silver in Backstroke Y6, Breaststroke Y5, Butterfly y6 & y5(Theo Y4!) and silver in both relays. We have a lot of strong swimmers in our school and we are well known on the swimming circuit for always being a school to watch out for at the pool events. I am always encouraging children to approach their local swimming clubs and Surf Life Saving Clubs as this will further enhance and develop their skills. Swimming Clubs work on stamina and technical detail required to go further in this sport. Many of our children now need this next step. If anyone would like more information please see Mrs G or individual club information is below:

Carn Brea and Helston Swimming Club: <http://www.cbhsc.co.uk>

Truro City Swimming Club: <http://www.truroswimclub.org>

Gylly Surf life saving: <http://www.gyllysurf.org.uk>

Meanporth Surf life Saving Club: <http://www.slsqb.org.uk/club/falmouth-surf-life-saving-club/>

Gunwalloe Surf life saving club: <http://www.slsqb.org.uk/club/gunwalloe-surf-life-saving-club/>

**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.

} Spaces available in all clubs!

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

### **GO ACTIVE ARCHERY CLUB AFTER HALF TERM**

Please note that the last archery session on 28 March clashes with our year 3/4 camp. If your child is joining this club and he/she is on year 3/4 camp please pay only for 5 sessions (£25.00). If you have already paid please see Mrs Beswick. Many thanks.

**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 next week there will be 2 sessions one on the Monday and one on the Thursday.

**CHEQUES:** When paying in cheques to the school please make them payable to **Constantine School (TLAT)**.

### **2<sup>ND</sup> CORNWALL UKELELE FESTIVAL SUNDAY 5**

**FEBRUARY** Come along to Heartlands, Pool as the Ukelele Orchestra of Constantine, featuring Mrs Micklem, Mrs Churchley, Mrs Pascoe and Mr George Bibby are performing at 2pm on the big stage. Entry and parking are free and there are workshops, performances, open mic. spots etc from 1.30-5pm.

**MATHLETICS:** Well done this week to:

Martha Turner Lerryn 6780

Ruby Kent Helford 3860

Kirsty Rose Tamar 2646

Sam Cook Tamar 2303

Sasha Key Helford 2180

**See posters on the notice board for half term events at:**

- [BF Adventure](#)
- [Cornwall Cricket Centre](#)

### **SLIPPERS IN LERRYN**

Rosa in our class has been watching Newsround. She says "We've heard about some schools wearing slippers and it is making the children calmer and gentler. I would like to try this in Lerryn class." We will be trying this in the week after half-term, so please bring in a larger pair of socks (to wear over your school socks) or slippers if you have them. If you would prefer to take your shoes off and not wear slippers or extra socks, that's fine too. Let's see if it makes a difference to our learning...

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

7 Feb Fal class to Eden Project

8 Feb Star gazing evening

10 Feb Cross country leave school at 12.15pm

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

1 March Maths morning 0930-1055

2 Mar Tresillian photography workshop

24 Mar Friendly netball and football tournament

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