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NANPEAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



ATTENDANCE

Eden - 99.38%

Hendra - 97.62%

Prosper - 95.63%

Karslake - 96.35%

Melbur - 99.11%

Drinnick - 96.00%

Rosemellyn -100%



WORD OF THE WEEK

Eden - "Despair"

Hendra - "Friendship"

Prosper- "Colossal"

Karslake - "Enthusiastic"

Melbur - "Tranquil"

Drinnick - "Ingenious"

Rosemellyn -"Conceited"

REMINDERS

Our final INSET day for this school year is Friday 11th June 2021, which is the first Friday after half term.

We have noticed some children are arriving on the school site extremely early. Children should not be arriving any earlier than 8:45am. Please see more informtion on the 'unaccompanied children' section on the next page.

HEAD TEACHER WEEKLY UPDATE

It has been another busy week at Nanpean School, as you will realise from my update below. Unfortunately, the weather has been poor, which has impacted slightly on playtimes this week, and I hope that it improves for the weekend and future weeks.

On Tuesday, I ended up Teaching Year 3 (Karslake) and Year 4 (Melbur) for a couple of hours each, and then taking Year 6 (Rosemellyn) to sailing. I always enjoy watching these sessions, but I can honestly say it was the first time I have been sailing with them and experienced all four seasons in one afternoon! The weather changed from windy, to calm, to sunny, and finally back to rain and even some hails! The children were in and out and changing activities regularly in relation to the weather!

On Wednesday, I passed on some transition information to the secondary schools, as this is something that begins happening at this time of year. On Thursday, I was in meetings all day about pupil progress. From these meetings, interventions and bespoke support is planned for individual and groups of children.

As I am writing this on Thursday evening, I am unable to comment on Friday, but once again, Mark Lees, our School Improvement Partner, was due to visit, and focus in particular on Reading. He said during his visit last week that his initial impression of Reading and many areas at Nanpean School was positive, and hopefully this remains the case, while due to his knowledge and experience, he is also able to make suggestions related to further school improvement, some of which have already been implemented following his visit last week. I hope that you have a lovely weekend. Best wishes,

Mr M Nicholls (Headteacher)



Each week, Nanpean School staff choose one pupil from their class who has shone to be their class star.

This week our stars are:

Eden - Oakley - for lots of fantastic writing making lists.

Hendra - Abbi - for increased concentration and participation in phonics.

Prosper - Logan - for his excellent work in his phonics.

Karslake - Jessica -for brilliant work on subordinate clauses.

Melbur - Isla - for always being kind and caring to her peers.

Drinnick - James - for his fantastic role play work in English together with having such a positive outlook and determined approach to all his learning this week.

Rosemellyn - Matilda - for superb understanding of interpreting charts



Each week we present a child with a Citizenship Award. This is to recognise and reward a child who has been notably kind, helpful or well behaved during the week.

This week our Citizenship Award goes to:

Autumn, Hallemay and Alesha (Rosemellyn) - for their kind, caring and considerate attitude to wildlife.



Busy Bees are awards given out to children to acknowledge that an aspect of their learning or behaviour is exceptional.

Elliot and Jaxon (Prosper) – for excellent effort during independent writing.

Blake (Drinnick) – for excellent effort and progress in spellings.

Lindsey (Drinnick) – for excellent effort and full marks in her code X task.

Georgia (Drinnick) for excellent writing and use of exciting sentences.



This Weeks Sports Star Award goes to:

Freya (Karslake) - for great throwing, catching and batting in cricket.

HOUSEPOINTS

Class	Godrevey (Green)	Lizard (Yellow)	Pendeen (Blue)	Trevose (Red)	Wolf Rock (Purple)
Eden	7	6	5	9	6
Hendra	17	13	8	21	20
Prosper	27	44	24	32	46
Karslake	43	59	43	27	40
Melbur	10	11	12	10	11
Drinnick	33	43	35	54	30
Rosemellyn	14	11	13	15	11
Whole School	151	187	140	168	164
Term Total	586	696	619	646	657

These house points are from the Summer Term so far! The house team / group currently in the lead is Lizard (Yellow), closely followed by Wolf Rock (Purple).

PARENTS FORUM

I was disappointed that no parents attended the recent Parents Forum session. I have spoken to parents who previously attended regularly about this. The reasons for non attendance varied from forgetting the meeting, to not liking meetings via Zoom, to being unable to attend on the previous set date. As a result, I intend to hold a parents forum meeting outside the community hall where the mini bus is usually parked (weather permitting) on Wednesday 26th May at 9:15am to 10:00am. All parents are welcome to attend and 'have their say' in all things related to Nanpean School. The intention of these meetings are to identify, from a parent perspective, things that we are doing well at Nanpean School (so that we can do more of them!) and things that we aren't doing as well (so that we can improve upon them). It would be fantastic to see many parents at this session giving their views.

<u>UNACCOMPANIED</u>

We are currently experiencing a number of children being left unaccompanied (with no parent supervision) before the school day begins. I accept that this is possibly due to staggered start times, but it is important that parents are aware that no children should be left unaccompanied and unsupervised on the school site before classroom doors open (at the designated times). As a result, please could you also see the letter that is being sent alongside the Newsletter.

If your child is left unsupervised at any time (clear examples given on the letter), please complete the slip at the bottom of this letter and return it to the school office so we are aware that your child has permission to be unsupervised. Children should not be on site unsupervised if this letter hasn't been completed. I will be talking to parents where there are any concerns.

WELL DONE

Well Done to Skye (Hendra
Class) who entered a
competition, ran by Spaceport
Cornwall to design a poster
based on what she had learnt
from the live sessions she had
watched.

Skye's poster design has made it into the Top !0 posters in Cornwall.
Thats an amazing achievement and we look forward to hearing how she gets on next.
(See her design below).



YOUTH CRICKET

If your child may be interested in Cricket, Roche Cricket Club are running youth cricket training sessions for children aged 7 - 15.

Please see the poster that is being sent out alongside the newsletter for more information.



CURRICULUM

We spent much of 2019-20 school year revamping our Curriculum. This is, of course, based on the National Curriculum. However, our Curriculum design is centred around an 'End Product' in every class each term. This year, the Curriculum offer hasn't been fully implemented due to the expectations of the Recovery / Catch up Curriculum. Foundation subjects have been covered as well, but we now intend to do a trial half term focus in each class in the next half term, prior to this being fully implemented in September. Therefore, each class will be explaining their 'End Product' just after half term, and following our 'Progression of Skills' and 'Key Instant Recall Facts and Skills (KIRFS)' documents (which state the required coverage of skills in each subject). Further information about this will be communicated to parents and will be available on our website, and I look forward to each class producing an 'End Product' in July.

SMART SCHOOL COUNCIL COMMUNITY - WEEKLY 'HOME DEBATE'

This week's 'Home Debate' (see link below) from the Smart School Council Community (SSCC) has been set due to a link between the SSCC and The Houses of Parliament (Restoration team). The restoration team at The Houses of Parliament would like your feedback in relation to the following question: 'How important is it that the Houses of Parliament are protected and saved for future generations?' I hope you enjoy discussing this issue and can provide valuable feedback to the SSCC that can be passed on to The Houses of Parliament restoration team.

https://bigdebateclub.com/debate/rnr-debate-1/

<u>INSET DAYS FOR 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR</u>

Just to remind you, as per the Newsletter last week, that around this time of year I always like to decide the INSET days for the following Academic year, and to therefore give plenty of notice to parents about these. The INSET days for 21-22 school year are as follows:

Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th September, 2021 (first two days of the

Autumn Term).

Tuesday 4th January, 2022 (first day of the Spring Term).

Monday 25th April, 2022 (first day of the Summer Term).

Friday 10th June, 2022 (Royal Cornwall Show Friday).

Monday 13th June, 2022 (extra day for school staff due to Bank Holiday for the Platinum Jubilee).

On these days, school is open for Staff, but is closed to children.

ATTENDANCE AND HOLIDAYS

Attendance at Nanpean School continues to be high, which is positive, and I thank all children and parents for this. However, with lockdown restrictions easing, I feel it is appropriate to write to parents to remind you that holidays in term time are still unacceptable, and can lead to penalty charge notices (fines) being applied by Cornwall Council. We would like to highlight the importance of attendance, as always, because all children are expected to be in school. If there are instances where we may have concerns we will have to contact the Student Welfare Officer. We would like to remind everyone that at our school we place huge importance on the value of good school attendance in improving both a child's academic and social development. Not only this, but it is a parent/ carer's legal obligation to ensure that a child of school age receives an efficient and full time education. If parents or carers take their children out of school without permission, they will be

committing an offence under the Education Act 1996.