



Nanpean Community Primary School

Nurturing Children's Passion to Succeed



NEWSLETTER

16/03/2018

We hope you feel that you are always treated fairly, and feel able to come into school to discuss issues. We are always open to reviewing our equity policies.

⇒ Global Learning Partnership Event

Three Members of our Rights Respecting School Group: Emma, Polina and Kaito, were invited by Pondhu School to their Global Learning Partnerships Event on Monday, which focused on social justice and global citizenship. The highlight of the day was a presentation by international speaker, Chris Lubbe. He spoke about his life as a child in South Africa during a period of time known as the Apartheid and his journey to becoming one of Nelson Mandela's Bodyguards. Nelson Mandela was best known for his long fight against inequality and racial prejudice. As South Africa's President, Mandela was respected for his courage and wisdom in bringing people together to live in peace. Chris' fascinating and thought provoking account of life in South Africa during this time really made us think about the importance of having a voice and the importance of sharing our views and opinions (Article 12 in the UNCRC). Chris shared this powerful quote with us 'Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.' - Nelson Mandela.

⇒ Sport Relief ~ 16th-23rd March

Sport Relief is spread over 16th-23rd March this year. We are going to be challenging each class to take part in daily physical activity, such as a daily mile walk/jog/run. Children will be given sponsor forms to collect sponsorship for Sport Relief for completing this challenge. There will be no dress up day, but children will need to have suitable trainers in school each day. A letter was sent out on Monday 12th to accompany the sponsorship form.

⇒ Brighter Smiles ~ Dental Health Service

We are pleased to announce that our funding bid for 'Brighter Smiles' was successful, and the programme will begin in the summer term. This will include: tooth brushing clubs for pupils in reception class, fluoride varnish application for reception and Year 1 pupils (with parent/carer consent), and oral health education for the whole school with home education packs for all pupils to help reinforce the importance of oral health. Tooth decay in children can be a serious problem affecting their health, quality of life, and development. Prevention of tooth decay should be an important objective for us all. This links with Article 24 of the UNCRC 'Health & Health Services' which quotes: *Every child has the right to the best possible health. Education on health and well being so that children can stay healthy.*



⇒ Hendra Trip to Eden Project

On Monday 12th March, Hendra Class visited the Eden Project to investigate the biomes and to take part in a workshop linked to their current class topic: Green Machines. The children all very much enjoyed their visit and were able to link the visit to their learning this term. When asked about their favourite part of the visit, Jessie said 'We really enjoyed seeing all of the different flowers. Inside the biomes was hot and there was a water fall. We saw a banana tree and pineapples growing too.'

STARS OF THE WEEK

Each week, Nanpean School staff choose one pupil from their class who has shone to be their class star. This could be due to their consistently good behaviour, putting a lot of effort into their work, or their super learning. **'Star of the Week' slips will go home in the book bags of the children chosen as our Stars every Thursday.**

This week our stars have been:

Eden— Corey Pearce—for his fantastic 3D shape knowledge.

Hendra— Bobby Hatton—for his brilliant focus and effort in independent writing.

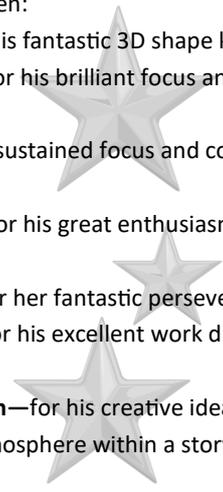
Prosper— Emily Dash—for sustained focus and concentration during independent writing.

Karslake— Reece Squire—for his great enthusiasm during class novel reading time.

Melbur— Elina Helliker—for her fantastic perseverance in maths.

Drinnick— Joshua Allen—for his excellent work during our You Tube topic.

Rosemellyn— Lewis Screech—for his creative ideas for character descriptions and creating atmosphere within a story.



LUNCHTIME AWARD

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

This week our Lunchtime Award goes to:

Stacey Hambly—for being a really useful runner, fetching classes for their school dinners.

BUSY BEES

Busy Bees are awards given out to children to acknowledge that an aspect of their learning or behaviour is exceptional. This week's busy bees goes to:



Corey Pearce and **Alfie Brown** for their incredible bridges made out of classroom equipment.

Tyler Gregory for his super writing skills.

REMINDERS

- ◆ There will be **no Homework club** on Monday 19th March
- ◆ There will be **no KS1 Dance club** on Tuesday 20th March
- ◆ **Headteacher Interviews** - please come along to the meet and greet with candidates on **Wednesday 21st March from 2:30pm**. A letter was sent home earlier this week inviting all parents/ carers to this event. We would like all stakeholders to be as involved in this process as possible, so if you are available to attend, please do so. **There will be no after school clubs running on this day.**
- ◆ There will be **no Running Club** on Thursday 22nd March.

ATTENDANCE

w/c 12/03/2018		<u>Karslake</u>	<u>98%</u>
Eden	97.50%	Melbur	96.71%
Hendra	95.83%	Drinnick	92.76%
Prosper	97.32%	Rosemellyn	97.92%

- ⇒ **Year 6 Brannel Transition Visit**
On Friday 9th March, Rosemellyn class went to visit Brannel. The day was designed to help the children become more familiar with life at a secondary school. Science and Maths were the theme for the day and the children were asked to solve a theft using forensics to prove who the culprit was. Activities included using a Bunsen burner to test the properties of powders that they had been given as well as using maths equations to calculate the length of a stride taken from a set of footprints. Our detectives also analysed soil samples using litmus paper and examining animal hair with the use of a microscope. When the verdict was in, Miss Goatman was the criminal who had stolen Mr Edmonds' iPad!
- ⇒ **Year 6 Mock SATs Week ~ 19/03/2018-23/03/2018**
Rosemellyn children have been working exceptionally hard to prepare for their SATs and we believe it is helpful if they know what it will feel like to experience an entire week of formal examinations. Making sure the children are more at ease about what is involved is important and we will be carrying out a Mock SATs week which begins on Monday. These tests have been constructed using a combination of Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 questions and are supposed to reflect a broad range from the entire Key Stage 2 curriculum (looking at progress from the time they finished in KS1 to the end of KS2).
- ⇒ **Headteacher Interviews ~ 21/03/2018 & 22/03/2018**
The Headteacher interviews will take place on **Wednesday 21st March and Thursday 22nd March**. To ensure that parents/carers are involved in this process, we will be holding a meet and greet with shortlisted candidates on **Wednesday 21st March from 2.30pm**, letters were sent out on Monday 12th. We hope that as many of you as possible are able to join us for this session as we value your input in ensuring we get the best candidate for the role. If you are able to attend, but have not yet returned your slip, please do so on Monday.
- ⇒ **Easter Half Term Holiday Camps ~ Cornwall Cricket—TR1 3XX**
The Cornwall Cricket Centre are offering Hard Ball and Soft Ball Easter Holiday Camps:
Hard Ball Cricket Camps
Your child must have played hard ball cricket to join this group. It will run from 10am-4pm for ages 9-13 years, on April 3rd/5th/10th & 12th at a cost of £25 per day or 4 days for £80.
Soft Play Cricket Camps
This is for ages 5-8 years of age on April 4th/6th/9th & 11th from 10am-4pm at a cost of £15 per day or 4 days for £40. For more details and how to book your place on one of the camps go to: www.cornwallcricket.co.uk/youth/holiday-camps or contact: m.kent@cornwallcricket.co.uk - you must book in advance. **Please do not contact the school to book.**
- ⇒ **Nanpean Community Group Meeting ~ 22/03/2018**
Nanpean Community Group will be holding a meeting on 22nd March at 7.30pm at the Nanpean Social Club in the Function Room. The meeting is to talk about 'what we would like in our community' and to discuss future events to help make our community great again. Please feel free to come along and join in with the meeting if you would like to get involved.
- ⇒ **Easter Holiday Competition**
Suez will be running a competition during the Easter Holidays. This is to construct a recycled material bird feeder or mini-beast shelter. The entries will be judged in time for the official opening of the CERC at St Dennis in May. Flyers will be sent home with the children in due course.
- ⇒ **Kitchen Inspection**
This week we had a visit from the Local Authority Environmental Health Team. Unless there is significant cause for concern, these inspections are annual and are unannounced. This was our first as managers of our kitchen and we are very pleased to report that we were awarded the highest grade: 5 stars! Well done to our kitchen team, who work very hard to ensure we comply with the law and provide a safe eating environment for our pupils.

- ⇒ **Eligibility for Free School Meals Criteria is Changing**
From **1st April** the Government intends to enter a 'rollout period' whereby eligibility for Free School Meals will begin to be assessed by Universal Credit criteria, which will replace the existing criteria of people in receipt of specific 'eligible benefits'. The rollout period is due to last until March 2022. Under the new criteria, families will be eligible for Free School Meals where their net earning are less than £7,400. Those already in receipt of Pupil Premium Free School Meals will continue to be assessed against the current criteria during the rollout period but any new claims after 1st April 2018 will use the new criteria, which will apply to fewer people. Eligibility will then be reassessed for everyone in March 2022. If you are in receipt of any of the following benefits: Income Support, Income-Related Employment and Support Allowance, Income-Based Job Seekers Allowance, Child Tax Credit (but no Working Tax Credit is being received by the claimant or his/her partner and the combined annual income as assessed by HMIR on a TC602 form is not above £16,190), The Guaranteed Element of Pension Tax Credit, Asylum Seeker under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999, you may currently be eligible for Pupil Premium Free School Meals and we encourage you to apply before 1st April 2018, when the criteria becomes less broad and you may not qualify. There are a number of benefits to being in receipt of Pupil Premium Free School Meals, including additional funding of £1300 per qualifying child to be spent on their education, free school meals in all year groups rather than just KS1, and discounts in some extra-curricular activities, such as school trips. **Please note that Pupil Premium Free School Meals are different to Universal Infant Free School Meals, where reception, year 1 and 2 aged pupils are not charged for school dinners, and must be applied for through Cornwall Council.** Please speak with a member of the Office staff if you have any further questions regarding this funding.

DIARY DATES

Spring Term

Wednesday 21st March—Headteacher interviews, day 1

Thursday 22nd March—Headteacher interviews, day 2

Monday 16th-Friday 23rd March—Sport Relief week

Wednesday 28th March, 1:30pm—Easter Service (led by Karslake & Drinnick)

Thursday 29th March—LAST DAY OF SPRING TERM

Summer Term

Monday 16th April—FIRST DAY OF SUMMER TERM

Tuesday 17th April—Class photos

Tuesday 17th April—KS2 Swimming starts

Wednesday 18th April—Parents Forum/PTA meeting

Thursday 26th April –Wednesday 2nd May—Book Fair

Wednesday 2nd May—Parents Forum/PTA meeting

Monday 7th May—BANK HOLIDAY (SCHOOL CLOSED)

Monday 14th-Thursday 17th May—Year 6 SATs week

w/c 28th May—HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Wednesday 6th June—Parents Forum/PTA meeting

w/c 11th June—Year 1 Phonics Screening check week

Monday 11th June—Sports Day

Friday 15th June 1:00-3:30pm—Athletics Tournament, Brannel School

Tuesday 19th June—Sports Day (reserve date)

Tuesday 26th June, 5pm—New Reception Open Evening

Wednesday 27th June, 1:30pm—Summer Fair

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs C Wicks
Head teacher

