

09/10/20

# NANPEAN SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER



### ATTENDANCE

Eden - 97.65%

Hendra - 97.81%

Prosper - 98.12%

Karlsruhe - 97.32%

Melbur - 97.14%

Drinnick - 98.48%

Rosemellyn - 97.05%



### WORD OF THE WEEK

Eden - "Imitate"

Hendra - "Extraordinary"

Prosper - "Strangely"

Karlsruhe - "Outstanding"

Melbur - "Unquestionably"

Drinnick - "Conscience"

Rosemellyn - "Nefarious"

### DIARY DATES

Monday 26th October -

Friday 30th October -

**HALF TERM**

### REMINDER

Please ensure you return your data collection forms and consent forms so that we can update our records.

## HEAD TEACHER WEEKLY UPDATE

As another week at school ends, it is important for me to note how positive the return to school has been, and how well the children have settled. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all staff for their support and ensuring this has happened, and thank parents as well for your support in following rules and guidelines at this unprecedented time.

At the end of last week, Mr Barritt and I completed Maths and English monitoring, and were generally pleased with the evidence and progress shown in children's books.

This week has been busy as always and the days have passed extremely quickly as a result. On Monday, we had our regular visit from the English Hub South West who are supporting us with further developing Phonics and Early Reading. The visit was positive with a few actions to focus on, which are now being implemented. On Tuesday, one of our Governors (Roger Green) came in to do some monitoring of systems in place at school. This was extremely beneficial due to Mr. Green's experience and knowledge as a former Headteacher, Director of a local Academy Trust, and National Leader of Education.

On Friday, it was lovely to see children and staff wearing something yellow and us doing our best to support and raise awareness of Mental Health, as part of the 'Hello Yellow' day this year. Supporting Mental Health links to our School Improvement Priorities and is particularly pertinent at this difficult time.

As always, I wish you all well and hope you have a wonderful weekend,

Best Wishes,

Mr M Nicholls (Headteacher)

# HOUSE POINTS

	Godrevey (Green)	Lizard (Yellow)	Pendeen (Blue)	Trevose (Red)	Wolf Rock (Purple)
Eden	24	24	25	25	23
Hendra	49	43	40	43	36
Prosper	9	14	18	20	18
Karslake	18	21	19	10	15
Melbur	12	19	25	24	20
Drinnick	22	29	15	33	15
Rosemellyn	23	12	14	8	14
<b>Whole School</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>141</b>
<b>Term Total</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>799</b>	<b>711</b>	<b>804</b>	<b>714</b>

## STARS OF THE WEEK

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 - Kensa** for her brilliant ICT skills.

**Hendra - Toby** for excellent progress in his writing, blending of sounds and always having a go.

**Prosper - Caitlyn** for excellent Maths work.

**Karslake - Freya** for outstanding dedication to her learning.

**Melbur - Cooper** for his great contributions during lessons.

**Drinnick - Blake** for never failing to be mindful of manners. Always remembers to say please and thank you.

**Rosemellyn - Josh** for his excellent improvement with our multiplication work.

## CITIZENSHIP AWARD

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:

**Kieran (Drinnick)** for being helpful to Mr. Nicholls and responsible at lunchtime.

## BUSY BEES

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

**Freya (Karslake)** for using prior learning from English lessons to give excellent answers during Guided Reading.

## SPORTS STAR AWARD

This Weeks Sports Star Award goes to:

**Auden (Melbur)** - for his excellent defending and teamwork in benchball this week.

# POLITE REMINDER

Please remember that due to Covid-19 guidelines, only one member of the family should be bringing children to school and collecting them at the end of the school day. We also expect parents to follow the guidelines and ensure social distancing when on the school site, and our plans of staggered times and different entrances was obviously put in place for this reason. We have also had reports of a few parents using inappropriate language in conversations with other parents. I would like to remind you that this is completely unacceptable on a school site as we don't want the children to hear such language. I have spoken to parents where I have been made aware of an issue so wanted to remind everyone of our expectations.

## HALLOWEEN

On Friday 23rd October (the last day of school before half term), we are allowing all children to attend wearing a Hallowe'en costume. This is because currently Government guidelines don't allow for visiting houses to 'trick or treat', so I wanted the children to be able to experience dressing in costume in a safe environment. However, with regard to the costume, please ensure that costumes are age appropriate and considerate of other (especially those that are younger) children in school.



## YEAR 4 - SHELTERS

Melbur class have been enjoying our outdoor forest school area. Last week they built their own shelters in the hope to protect their paper adventurers from the elements.

We've had a lot of rain this last week so this week they went up to see if their adventurers survived. 3 shelters kept their adventurers bone dry, some were a little weathered and some had disappeared! We think they have been eaten by an unknown animal, maybe a bear!!!!



## YEAR 1 - BREAD MAKING

This week Hendra Class have been exploring instructions and have been creating their own. On Tuesday, they followed instructions to make bread! They had a go at kneading dough and each child made a yummy roll to take home. Just like "The Little Red Hen!"



## SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIES 2020-21

At this stage of a school year, I like to communicate with families about our school priorities. This is more difficult this year due to the current nature of schools and the school closures from March. Our main priority is to ensure the health and wellbeing of children and families (in relation to Covid-19) as they return to school (some of whom haven't attended since March).

Following this, we were hoping to implement our revamped Curriculum from September, but this has had to be scaled back somewhat due to the focus being placed on the 'Recovery Curriculum' (again as a result of Covid-19).

We have a very detailed school improvement plan, but some further objectives include:

- Ensuring all children are mentally healthy (Wellbeing).
- Focus on ensuring that children develop basic skills, especially Reading, as this underpins the whole Curriculum and promotes lifelong learning.
- Improving the percentage (%) of children reaching the expected standard in all 3 of the assessed subjects (Reading, Writing, Maths).
- Inspiring children, through providing a variety of opportunities, to have high aspirations.
- Whole school attendance and that of individual children to be above the national average.
- Engaging parents through social media with the aim of supporting their child's learning.

## REMOTE EDUCATION

As a school, we have a legal responsibility to provide children who are required to self-isolate during Covid-19 with Remote Education so that they can continue to learn at home. If your child does need to self-isolate, we will e-mail this to you as soon as possible and it will be discussed during a phone call to you.



## **WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY**



The official World Mental Health Day is tomorrow, Saturday 10th October, however we focused on this today. The children came to school in non uniform including something yellow, in exchange for a £1 donation. The monies raised are going to the Young Minds Charity which provides vital support to children and young people battling with mental health. We will share some pictures of our "Hello Yellow Day" in next week's newsletter.

