

02/07/21

# NANPEAN SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER



### ATTENDANCE

Eden - 97.56%  
Hendra - 84.03%  
Prosper - 91.67%  
Karslake - 97.90%  
Melbur - 95.09%  
Drinnick - 84.00%  
Rosemellyn - 98.01%



### WORD OF THE WEEK

Eden - "Ocean"  
Hendra - "Gnashed"  
Prosper - "Remorse"  
Karslake - "Erudite"  
Melbur - "Persnickety"  
Drinnick - "Custom-made"  
Rosemellyn - "Indomitable"

### PARENTS FORUM

A reminder that our next parents forum meeting (details of the notes from the previous meeting were given previously) is Wednesday 14th July, at 9.15am. Again, for any parents wishing to attend, please add this date and time to your calendar / diary and we will congregate by the Minibus parking area.

## HEAD TEACHER WEEKLY UPDATE

This week has been extremely busy again, to the point that I don't know where the time goes each day. On Monday, I spent the majority of the day shortlisting with Miss Tucker, in her role as a Governor, reading through applications for the Year 4 Teaching position. The interviews are today (Friday 2nd July), so the successful applicant will be detailed in next week's newsletter. I also spent a proportion of my week ensuring everything was prepared for the interview and tasks.

On Tuesday, I attended sailing with our Year 6 children. Yet again, it was lovely to see them on the water sailing. Mrs Miskowicz and I joked that some of them had nipped over to France and back again for the afternoon, as they have grown in skills and confidence this term.

On Wednesday, I enjoyed taking part in Cricket, a sport I immensely enjoy and played a lot as a child and young adult (I'm classing myself as older now!) I even joined in with Year 5 Cricket for part of their lesson (warm up games with a focus on catching skills), hence one of the Sports Star awards was given by me this week!

Today (Thursday), I enjoyed meeting another Headteacher, where we discussed recent times, the future (if anyone can predict this!), and School Improvement priorities in our schools, while sharing ideas with one another. I find these meetings extremely valuable and am always proud to share positives about Nanpean School, and willing to discuss priorities that we are aiming to improve and develop as well.

This week, I have also started pupil conferencing with a few children from each class (meeting each class separately due to the Covid-19 guidance in relation to bubbles / groups). This term's pupil conferencing, which allows children to give their viewpoints in relation to our school, focuses on Safeguarding and Behaviour. I use these to inform myself and other Leaders about positives and further possible areas for development at Nanpean School. These will be continued next week so that I have spoken to representatives from all classes.

At this time of the year I am constantly checking weather forecasts as I enjoy utilising the lovely weather and enjoying the local area. The weekend currently suggests some sunny spells and some rain. Hopefully there is much more sun than rain and everyone is able to enjoy a bright weekend.

Best wishes,

Mr M Nicholls (Headteacher).

## ★ 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 - Frankie** - for super independent reading.

**Hendra - Preston** - for creative puppet making and helping his peers.

**Prosper - Maisie** - for always showing the true spirit of Nanpean School.

**Karslake - Rianon** - for her erudite performance all year.

**Melbur - Elizabeth** - for showing fantastic resilience with her learning.

**Drinnick - Corey** - for improved work with his learning partner.

**Rosemellyn - Gracie-Mai** - for always being conscientious with her 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:

**Sofia (Melbur)** - for being supportive and kind to others at all times but especially during Music sessions.



## BUSY BEES

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

**Lorne (Karslake)** – for an excellent effort to improve his handwriting.



## SPORTS STAR AWARD

This Weeks Sports Star Award goes to:

**Sophie (Rosemellyn) and Charlie (Drinnick)** - for excellent catching skills during warm up games in Cricket sessions this week.

## HOUSEPOINTS

Class	Godrevey (Green)	Lizard (Yellow)	Pendeen (Blue)	Trevose (Red)	Wolf Rock (Purple)
Eden	14	14	12	13	16
Hendra	19	18	14	28	18
Prosper	14	16	15	16	16
Karslake	20	28	19	23	18
Melbur	9	12	15	16	15
Drinnick	11	13	11	19	11
Rosemellyn	11	10	9	15	13
<b>Whole School</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>107</b>
<b>Term Total</b>	<b>1,134</b>	<b>1,333</b>	<b>1,170</b>	<b>1,282</b>	<b>1,244</b>

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

## SMART SCHOOL

## COUNCIL

## COMMUNITY -

## WEEKLY 'HOME

## DEBATE'

Please use the link below to access the 'Weekly Home Debate' from the Smart School Council Community (SSCC), which asks 'if it is better to have knowledge or imagination?' This is a question I often ask myself and wish I had more of both!

<https://bigdebateclub.com/debate/is-it-better-to-have-knowledge-or-imagination/>

I hope you enjoy discussing and debating this. Feel free to let me know your viewpoints and reasoning!

## BOOK

## AMNESTY/SWAP

## SHOP

If you have any books at home that your child has 'outgrown' and you would like to de-clutter your house, please bring any suitable books (for children or adults) to school on Friday 16th July. These will be quarantined over the weekend, and then will be sold, for a small donation that will go towards school funds, on Monday 19th July (weather permitting). Please ensure you are social distancing, wearing a face mask, and following Government guidance if you intend to look through the books. These will be located outside near the main entrance to the school office/ reception area.

## COVID 19 GUIDANCE

This week, we have had to contact many parents to collect their children due to them coughing (for example) at school. We are well aware that coughs are not always Covid-19 related. However, we can't be sure of this, and as it is a possible symptom of Covid-19, we need to follow Government guidance in relation to this, which states that children with any symptoms should isolate and book a PCR test as soon as possible. We want children to be at school, every day, progressing academically and socially with their friends. However, we also have a duty of care to other children, parents, staff and the local community, and when these phonecalls are made, we expect parents to cooperate in terms of health and safety, not to be angry or question staff, and collect their children as quickly as possible.

## INSET DAYS

Just to remind you, as per the last Newsletter, 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.

## SPORTS DAY

As you will be aware from text messages sent on Sunday evening from our eschools system, Sports Day was cancelled on Monday due to the weather. This has now been rearranged for this coming Monday, the 5th of July. Again, children can attend in their PE Kit on this day. Due to Covid-19 related guidelines and in liaison with other local schools so we are all consistent with our approach, this year parents are not invited to our sports day as we usually have so many people attending that social distancing guidelines would be impossible to follow. I understand that parents enjoy seeing their children take part in sports day and similar events, but I hope you appreciate that this is for the safety of everyone at school and the local community.

## UNIFORM AMNESTY/ SWAP SHOP

On the last week of term, we would like anyone who has any spare uniform that children have outgrown, or from Year 6 children who are leaving the school, to bring this to school. If this can be brought into school (washed please) by Tuesday 20th July, we will have a 'swap shop' on Thursday 22nd July (weather permitting), with a small donation being asked for any uniform purchases which will go towards school funds. Please ensure you are social distancing, wearing a face mask, and following Government guidance if you intend to look through the uniform available. These will be located outside near the main entrance to the school office/ reception area.

## A PROUD MOMENT FOR NANPEAN

There have been a few occasions this week where I have had to take 5 minutes to myself in my office as I have been left with a 'lump in my throat and a tear in my eye' in a positive way. I am proud of the children at Nanpean School and I thank all parents for their support. I also always appreciate the hard work and support of our staff. This week alone, there have been many positive comments about our school. One in particular really resonated with me this week when a relief cook (covering for our usual cook) stated: 'Due to me being a relief cook, I go to lots of school, and the children and staff at Nanpean School were lovely. I hope I get to come back as it is the nicest school I've visited.' A fantastic response, well done everyone!

