



Nanpean Community Primary School

Nurturing Children's Passion to Succeed

Head teacher Weekly Update:

This week has been another extremely busy week but I have enjoyed supporting the children at the Snell Cup (Football and Netball). Despite my previous school being relatively close by, they aren't a feeder school to Brannel so aren't traditionally involved in this. I am proud of all the children who took part and gave an excellent effort; it is clear that the teams have improved over the course of the season, which is also exciting for next year as many of the teams will still be with us and able to represent the teams then. Thank you also to Mrs Cookson, Miss Grubb, Mr Tonkin and Mr Bacon for attending with the teams and to all the parents who went to support.

I have also enjoyed visiting some classrooms this week when children have been completing their independent writing. I also enjoyed speaking to the children about their writing at lunchtimes. I particularly enjoyed hearing from Year 5 children (Drinnick Class) who were talking about their Greek Myths. When I was in a class as a Teacher this was one of my favourite English units to teach! I also enjoyed visiting this class on Wednesday afternoon and seeing them completing a variety of tasks linked to their Topic about the Greeks. Finally, it is with immense sadness that we say a fond farewell to Mrs Sewell today. Mrs Sewell is well liked by everyone at school for her helpfulness, supportive nature and enthusiasm; always completing things with a smile on her face. She will be immensely missed but we wish her well in the next chapter of her life, close to her family and in her new job. We also hope Mrs Sewell keeps in touch with us at school!

Take care and have a lovely weekend,

Mr M. Nicholls (Head teacher)

⇒ **Comic Relief 2019**

Today is our 'Wear Something Red for Comic Relief' day. We have had a variety of red shades worn across the school to recognise and raise money for Comic Relief. Thank you to everyone who donated to our fundraising efforts. Throughout the day, the children learnt more about Comic Relief and the causes that it supports both in the UK and internationally.

⇒ **Homework**

Over the next few weeks, staff will be reviewing how Homework Policy to ensure it can be applied fairly and consistently across the school. We will update you with any changes being made in due course.

NEWSLETTER

15/03/2019

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.

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' texts will be sent home every Thursday. Please ensure we have the correct mobile number on record for you.**

This week our stars are:

Eden— Siena for her fantastic independent writing labelling a picture of Jack and the Beanstalk.

Hendra— Toby for working independently in Maths and joining in with class discussions.

Prosper— Jacob for excellent participation and concentration during Science lessons.

Karslake— Eden for representing the school at the cross country competition. Well done on finishing 4th!

Melbur— Olivia S for her enthusiasm and motivation in fraction learning.

Drinnick— Jack for his great 'generalising' work in Maths.

Rosemellyn— Clark for showing resilience with reasoning problems in Maths.

BUSY BEES

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



Tom Screech— for his excellent storytelling.

Callum Bilkey and Sophie Ridgeon—for working co-operatively during a topic lesson

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:

All Staff for being helpful at lunchtime

ATTENDANCE

w/c 11/03/2019		Karslake	94.91%
Eden	98.03%	Melbur	94.32%
Hendra	97.32%	Drinnick	96.25%
<u>Prosper</u>	<u>99.07%</u>	Rosemellyn	94.44%

REMINDERS

⇒ There will be **NO** KS1 Football on Monday 25th March

⇒ **Go Active Easter Holiday Club**
The Go Active Easter Holiday Club letters were sent home this week. This will take place for one day only on **Tuesday 16th April from 8:30am - 3:30pm**. There will be a variety of sports and activities that will include Bubble Football, Archery and Crossbows. Please also ensure that the children wear suitable clothing and bring along with them a packed lunch, a morning snack and plenty of water. The cost will be £5 per child per session. Forms must be returned by **Friday 29th March**. Once we receive a sign up form, we will make a request for payment through ePay on eSchools. Please do not send cash into the office.

⇒ **Snell Cup ~ 11/03/19**
This Monday saw the highlight of the Clays Cluster sporting calendar; the Snell Cup. On the pitch, the team was a credit and showed huge progress from the start of the season. We finished 5th overall, but were competitive in every game and our performances deserved more points. Mackenzie pulled off a string of saves in goal and our defensive partnership of Lauren and Charlie showed excellent commitment and positioning. Xander and Corey never stopped running in midfield and both passed well when in possession. Reuben and Talik were constant threats in attack and both went close to scoring goals on numerous occasions. The children were superbly behaved all morning and were a credit to the school. **Finally, I'd like to say a big thank you to Mr Bates of LILMER Decorators** for providing our football team with their stunning brand-new match kit; the kids looked really smart and appreciated your generosity.

⇒ **Unacceptable Conduct on School Premises**
We have had reports of parents/ carers swearing or using unacceptable language/ rhetoric on site and an increasing number of incidents where staff or volunteers are being spoken to aggressively. This is unacceptable. Staff working at this school are entitled to work in an atmosphere where they are not verbally abused. We are now in the process of implementing a 'Parent Conduct Policy' with clear actions when appropriate conduct is not followed. Please ensure that you use appropriate behaviour while on site and support our friendly and welcoming school ethos.

⇒ **KS2 Swimming**
Swimming for years 3 to 6 will be commencing on WEDNESDAYS after the Easter Holidays. Letters with further information are attached to this newsletter. The first session will be **Wednesday 24th April**. Children will be having their lessons at the Dragon Leisure Centre in Bodmin as this pool gave us the opportunity to split swimming sessions so each child could get more out of their lessons. We are asking for a £3 voluntary donation from parents/ carers per week, which can be paid through ePay. Please do not send cash into the office.

Goodbye to Nanpean School

I would like to say a big thank you and a sad goodbye to all the Staff and Parents/Carers at Nanpean School. I have been made to feel very welcome at the school by everyone, especially the children. I am not only leaving Nanpean School but I am leaving Cornwall and moving back up to Leicestershire to be near family. This was a very hard decision for me to make and I will miss everyone so very much. Thank you.

Mrs Sewell

Communication

We will be employing and training a new member of admin staff, but request that parents/ carers are patient with us while this process takes place. Miss Dash does not work on Friday afternoons and so the Office will be unmanned during this time, at least until Easter. Please take note of this and if there is any information that needs to be provided to school, please do this earlier in the week if possible. We are also aware of, and are working hard to resolve the issue with our main telephone line. Our second line (01726 821996) is the best contact number to use. If you ring the original number, your line will seem as if it is ringing, but our telephones are not! We will update you when this is resolved.

Healthy Relationships Sessions

This week, years 2 and 6 (and some of our parents/ carers) had the opportunity to meet with a representative of Barnardos to learn more about the Healthy Relationships sessions that will take place. These sessions will complement our PSHE sessions that take place across the school.

First Sticker Scout Group Easter Fair

The 1st Sticker Scout Group will be holding their Easter Fair on Sunday 7th April 2:00pm - 5:00pm. There will be Easter Egg hunts, Cake stalls, Easter Egg themed games, Cream Teas, a colouring competition and a raffle with great prizes. Please go along for a fun packed afternoon. 1st Sticker Scout Group Headquarters, St Stephens Road, Sticker, PL26 7ET.

DIARY DATES

Spring Term 2019

Friday 22nd March—Clay Schools 5-a-side Indoor Football

Tuesday 26th March—Indoor Cricket Tournament at Brannel

Thursday 4th April—Easter Service

Yours Sincerely,

Mr M. Nicholls
Head teacher

