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# NANPEAN SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER



### ATTENDANCE

**Eden -100%**

*Hendra -93.64%*

*Prosper -94.74%*

*Karslake -95%*

*Melbur -98.21%*

*Drinnick -93.33%*

*Rosemellyn -96.67%*

### WORD OF THE WEEK



**Eden - "Swell"**

**Hendra - "Gnashed"**

**Prosper- "Jolly"**

**Karslake - "Stitch"**

**Melbur - "Devilry"**

**Drinnick -"Definitely"**

**Rosemellyn -**

**"Hermaphrodite."**

### DATES FOR THE

### DIARY

- Wednesday 13th July - School Summer Fair - more details elsewhere on this Newsletter.
- Tuesday 26th July - last day of the academic year.
- Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th September - INSET days.
- Wednesday 8th September - first day of the 2022/23 academic year.

### HEAD TEACHER WEEKLY UPDATE

It has been a very quiet and calm week around school this week which is usually the case when it is our termly Assessment Week. The purpose of these assessments is for children to experience a test situation, so they are prepared for the future (as unfortunately testing is still a part of our education system), while it also gives strong feedback to Teachers and Senior Leaders of what children have learnt, can remember and apply in an assessment task. As a result of these, we use this information to plan for the future, for whole classes, groups of children, and individual children, in terms of support and intervention provided.

We have also submitted Assessment Data to the Local Authority this week and once again, I am delighted with the progress of the children, and I am hopeful that our Data will be in line with National Expectations and Averages.

On Monday, I met with staff from Caterlink (who provide Staff to cook our School Meals in our Kitchen). I was honest with them about my disappointment with the price increase, and we discussed further ideas and improvements to the school dinners service at Nanpean, such as a 'theme' for each day of the week. I liked many of the ideas myself and look forward to these being implemented in 2022-23.

Our KS2 children continue to attend intensive Swimming sessions this half term, and this week it was Year 5 (Drinnick Class) who attended sessions each afternoon at Polkyth Leisure Centre. I am delighted to hear of the progress the children are making, including one child who was awarded a busy bee this week (see elsewhere on the Newsletter).

I have also spent time this week continuing to finalise documents for this school year and also beginning writing and planning documents for next school year. I intend to share these with Staff and Governors where appropriate, and will give some relevant information in future Newsletters.

At the time of writing (Thursday evening), it is now the end of our Assessment Week, with most Assessments completed (apart from where children have been absent), and I am looking forward to tomorrow, as we have Sports Day, which sees parents invited again for the first time since the pandemic began, and we then have our fundraising picnic (for the NHS) on Friday afternoon - a lovely way to end the week!

Have a lovely weekend enjoying time with family and friends. 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 - Antoni** - for brilliant investigating with odd and even numbers.

**Hendra - Poppy** - for amazing us with her fluent reading.

**Prosper - Dylan** - for excellent stamina in his writing, always trying his best.

**Karslake - Caitlyn** - for her making sure she always has a sharp pencil to improve her handwriting.

**Melbur - Alfie** - for an incredible performance in both the MTC and Maths NFER, now you must believe you can!

**Drinnick - Bobby** - for super effort in swimming.

**Rosemellyn - Olivia C** - for some excellent illustrations during our Kingfisher Project.

## 🏆 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:

**Olivia L (Rosemellyn)** - for being a great friend and supporting her peers at all times.

## 🐝 BUSY BEES 🐝

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

**James R (Rosemellyn)** – for excellent swimming, James swam 2,000 metres during a session at the end of last week!

## 🏆 SPORTS STAR AWARD 🏆

This Weeks Sports Star Award goes to:

**Preston (Prosper)** - for excellent skills in Javelin throwing.

**Archie H, Charlie & Vinny (Melbur)** - for fantastic coordinated fielding in Rounders.

## HOUSEPOINTS

Class	Godrevey (Green)	Lizard (Yellow)	Pendeen (Blue)	Trevose (Red)	Wolf Rock (Purple)
Eden	15	15	15	10	10
Hendra	14	16	17	16	15
Prosper	20	23	16	24	20
Karslake	21	24	17	20	20
Melbur	11	17	16	12	14
Drinnick	12	13	14	15	15
Rosemellyn	14	11	12	13	12
<b>Whole School</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>106</b>
<b>Term Total</b>	<b>1,150</b>	<b>1,257</b>	<b>1,231</b>	<b>1,299</b>	<b>1,229</b>

This week, Trevose (Red) are in the lead with 1299 points, followed by Lizard (Yellow) in second with 1257 points. Pendeen (Blue) are in third with 1231 points.

## ROUNDERS CLUB -

### CANCELLED

Unfortunately, Rounders will be cancelled this coming Tuesday (5th July) as Mr Tonkin and Mr Nicholls are attending The Kingfisher Awards ceremony with our Year 6 class. We apologise for any inconvenience caused. Rounders club will be back to normal from Tuesday 12th July. Netball club will still go ahead as usual.

### EARRINGS

A reminder that ONLY stud earrings are allowed to be worn to school. Children are NOT permitted to wear hoop or 'dangly' earrings.

### SECOND HAND

### UNIFORM SHOP

Our school uniform shop is now up and running in the school office. All items are £1 each. Although we have managed to get a lot of the items out on display, we still have a lot more! If anyone could provide us with another clothes rail it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you to everyone who has already donated!



# ASSEMBLY

This week, we had a visitor for Assembly. Caroline Childs, who works for the Local Authority on an Aspirations (Careers) Pilot Project which we are part of, came to school to speak to the children about possible jobs / careers in Cornwall. The children enjoyed the Assembly. It was also clear that our Curriculum and 'FAB offer' ('F' being Fostering community / local links and 'A' being Aspirational about their future career) is having a positive impact on their learning, as the children were knowledgeable about jobs in Cornwall. As expected, the children's behaviour and attitude was excellent, and they learnt further interesting facts, including the largest employment 'sectors' in Cornwall, which are tourism, retail, construction and health care. They also gave detailed answers and reasons, and Cayden in Year 6 even noticed the spelling of one word and used this as a basis for his precise answer. At the end of the assembly, Carrie spoke about what employers are looking for, and reminded the children of the importance to work hard in English and Maths so they have good Literacy and Numeracy skills, good communication skills (speaking and listening to others), and that employers want people who are hard-working, enthusiastic and resilient (they persevere and don't give up!) These are also qualities that we develop in school!

# WEEKLY HOME DEBATE

This week, our weekly debate asks: Should a country ever go to war? Please access this via the link below.

<https://bigdebateclub.com/debate/should-a-country-ever-go-to-war/>

I already know my feelings on this issue and I look forward to hearing the views of others this week.

Last week, the debate asked if children should go to bed at the same time every night, and this also linked to our Assembly focus. Personally, I feel that having consistency is good, and I try to also go to bed at the same time each night even as an adult! I also feel this is important for children to support their focus and concentration. Interestingly, I also read some research this week (while preparing for my assembly about the importance of sleep) that having a regular time of going to sleep and getting up in the morning is better than having a 'lie in', as your body clock gets confused like this which can leave us feeling 'jet-lagged' even when we haven't been on a flight!

# SUMMER FAIR

Our Summer Fair will be going ahead this year on Wednesday 13th July from 1:30pm - 3pm.

We will be running an assortment of stalls, including Welly Whanging, Penalty Shoot Out, Hook-a-Duck, Glitter Tattoos, Balloon Animals and more!! We are still on the lookout for any parent volunteer helpers! If this could be something you can help us with, please speak to Mrs Houston or Miss Tucker in the school office. Also, if you have any items you may be able to donate **such as cakes for the cake stall, books for the book stall or teddy bears / cuddly toys for the adopt a teddy stall**, please bring these to the school office before Tuesday 12th July. Your help and support is hugely appreciated!

# SPORTS DAY



# THANKYOU!!!

We would like to say a MASSIVE thank you to Mr and Mrs Lewis who have very kindly donated an additional £50 towards our 'Wrong Trouser Day' in support of Bristol Royal Hospital For Children. This is a very generous - THANK YOU!!!



Calling all boys and girls who will be reception, year 1 and year 2 in September 2022

Come and give rugby ago. Every Sunday starting from August 7<sup>th</sup> 2022 at 10am. Tregorrick St Austell  
Super friendly and welcoming club. Rugby helps Players develop their physical fitness, social skills, team building skills, resilience and reduces stress. PLEASE CONTACT BECKY TAYLOR FOR MORE INFO [rcrhot@hotmail.com](mailto:rcrhot@hotmail.com) 07557675949

# FREE SWIMMING LESSONS

'Better leisure centres' across Cornwall are offering free public swimming sessions to improve water skills in the wake of lockdown closures caused by the pandemic.

Each of our centres will provide a free, weekly hour-long session that is open to anyone.

Session times and start dates vary and booking is advisable for all swimmers, including under threes.

For more details on dates and times of the free swimming sessions you can visit the website visit [www.better.org.uk/leisure-centre/cornwall](http://www.better.org.uk/leisure-centre/cornwall) or download the 'Better' app or contact your local centre.

# ATTENDANCE

Attendance at Nanpean School has remained slightly lower throughout the first half of the Summer Term, in comparison to previous years. It's always disappointing to see the school with a lower attendance rate. This is why we 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 (SWO). 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.



# Online Safety Newsletter

July 2022

## TikTok

**You must be over 13 years of age to use TikTok.** Some of the videos on TikTok may contain explicit language and sexual imagery, which may not be suitable for your child to view and there is also the risk of strangers contacting your child. If your child is using TikTok then make sure the appropriate security/privacy settings are on.

We recommend setting the account as private (this is the default setting for users under 16 since Jan 2021). Even with a private account, your child's profile information such as their photo are still visible so ensure your child understands the importance of not adding personal information (e.g. location, age and phone numbers) to this area. This article explains how you can strengthen your privacy settings and what features are turned off by default for accounts for children aged 13 – 15: <https://newsroom.tiktok.com/en-us/strengthening-privacy-and-safety-for-youth>

### Family Pairing

This allows you to link your own account to your child's account. You can then set controls such as restricted mode (limit the appearance of inappropriate content) and screen time management. You can find out more here:

<https://www.tiktok.com/safety/en/guardians-guide/>

### Blocking and Reporting

Ensure your child knows how to use these features.

### Bullying on TikTok

Make sure your child knows that help is always available. This article makes suggestions on appropriate settings as well as how to deal with bullying:

<https://www.tiktok.com/safety/en-sg/bullying-prevention/>

## WhatsApp

**You must be at least 16 years old to register for and use WhatsApp.** WhatsApp is a free messaging app that allows you to send messages and videos.



**Group chats:** One of the key features is that WhatsApp has a group chat function that are set up by one person (the admin). Everybody in the group, even if they are not one of your child's phone contacts, will be able to see all messages within that group. *If your child is added to a group with someone that they have previously blocked, that person can still see their messages and send them messages within the group.*

In settings, you can change who can add your child to groups, for example, you can change it to 'my contacts', which means that only those in your child's contacts can add them to a group. You can leave a group chat at any point so talk to your child and encourage them to leave any chat that makes them feel uncomfortable.

**Location sharing:** If switched on, then when you share images/videos, it will show the location of where they were taken. This can be switched off in your phone settings. There is also a Live Location feature which allows you to share your location. Talk to your child about when this would be appropriate to use but also the potential danger of sharing their location, for example with strangers.

**Blocking/Reporting:** Show your child how to block and report.

**Online Bullying:** WhatsApp has been used in instances of online bullying, e.g. to send nasty messages or share images of other children without their permission. It is important to have regular chats with your child about their online life and that they understand that they must talk to you or another trusted adult if they are being bullied. This is a helpful article from BullyingUK, which talks about what to do if you are being bullied: <https://www.bullying.co.uk/cyberbullying/what-to-do-if-you-re-being-bullied-on-a-social-network/>

**Be Kind:** How we behave online should be the same as how we behave face to face. This YouTube video from Dr Linda Papadopoulos tells us how we can encourage our children to be kind online: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1BqKI3J7g6Q>

### Further information

<https://www.whatsapp.com/safety/>

## Sendit

Have you heard of Sendit? It allows users to play games together and links with Snapchat. Although rated as 12+ by the App store, **Sendit state on their website that the app was made for 17+**. If you know that your child is using this app then you can contact Sendit to ask them to disable their account. The app does contain in-app purchases ranging from £0.89 to £25.99 so ensure payment details are not stored/accessible on your child's device to avoid unexpected bills.

### Further information

<https://www.getsendit.com/parents>

## Online Challenges/hoaxes

"The internet and social media provide a perfect platform for hoaxes, especially hoaxes about challenges or trends that are said to be harmful to children and young people to be spread quickly. You should carefully consider if a challenge or scare story is a hoax. Generally speaking, naming an online hoax and providing direct warnings is not helpful. Concerns are often fuelled by unhelpful publicity, usually generated on social media, and may not be based on confirmed or factual occurrences or any real risk to children and young people."

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/harmful-online-challenges-and-online-hoaxes/harmful-online-challenges-and-online-hoaxes> (Accessed 27.6.22).



**Reassure your child that challenges that suggest that bad stuff will happen if they do not complete the tasks are not real.**

It is important to talk to your child about hoaxes and challenges that may appear on the internet. Some challenges are fun and provide no risk, however there will be challenges that are risky/dangerous. Your child may see others complete certain challenges online without being harmed and therefore may want to repeat them **and not weigh up the potential risks to themselves**. Make sure they know that they should talk to you about what they see online, particularly if they plan to try a challenge or if something scares or upsets them.

The following links will provide you with further information as well as content to help you talk to your child:

- <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/theres-a-viral-scare-online-what-should-i-do/>
- TikTok have produced this resource to help you talk to your child about challenges and the potential risks:  
<https://www.tiktok.com/safety/en-sg/online-challenges/>

## YouTube

YouTube is intended for users over the age of 13, however the App store rates YouTube as 17+ due to the content that can be found on there.

### How can I make YouTube safer?

- Turn on Restricted mode as this restricts the availability of mature content. You will need to set up a Google account to do this.
- Explore YouTube together and see what they like to watch. Make sure your child understands that they can talk to you if they see anything that makes them feel uncomfortable online.
- Ensure your child knows how to report inappropriate content.

### YouTube Kids

YouTube recommends that YouTube Kids is used for children under the age of 13. Find out more here:

<https://support.google.com/youtubekids/answer/6172308?hl=en-GB>

### Posting videos

You should be over 13 years of age to post videos. Talk to your child about posting videos, do they understand what information they should keep private? Check out these tips:

<https://support.google.com/youtube/answer/2802244?hl=en-GB>

### Screen time

We often spend too much time online, so it is important to set limits to ensure a balance between being online and offline. It is recommended that devices are switched off prior to bedtime and not left in their bedroom. You can read more about screen time based on your child's age from Internet Matters:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/issues/screen-time/>

### Comments

If you see an inappropriate comment, then remember to report it. You can also turn off comments on videos that you post.

### Further information

Access the social media hub set up by Internet Matters here:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/social-media-advice-hub/>