

14/05/21

NANPEAN SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



ATTENDANCE

Eden - 96.64%

Hendra - 95.20%

Prosper - 98.41%

Karslake - 98.57%

Melbur - 98.78%

Drinnick - 98.64%

Rosemellyn - 98.72%

HEAD TEACHER WEEKLY UPDATE

Unfortunately it has been a wet week this week, though luckily it hasn't impacted too much on school timetables and activities.

Last Friday, I enjoyed seeing the children celebrating NSPCC's Number Day and completing fun Maths activities across the school, as we intend to foster a love of Maths and key skills. I also enjoyed seeing some very interesting and creative number related non uniform!

This week, I enjoyed attending sailing with Year 6 again on Tuesday afternoon. It rained for some of the time but I don't think the children noticed as they were in the water anyway! On Wednesday, I had many meetings, including with other Headteachers where we discussed school improvement priorities and working together in relation to some of these, as well as our monthly attendance monitoring with the Student Welfare Officer, Caroline Hunt. Our attendance remains positive, and where there are concerns (when children's attendance is clearly below 96%), parents will receive a letter over the next couple of weeks.

On Thursday, we had our termly School Improvement Partner (SIP) Visit. Our newly appointed SIP, Mark Lees, was positive about many aspects of Nanpean School but also gave some clear areas to focus on for further school improvement. These will become priorities for this term and during the 21-22 school year. During the day, Mark visited all classrooms, looked at children's work and talked to children and staff.

I hope that you have a lovely weekend and continue to stay safe despite the easing of restrictions. Best wishes to you and your families,

Mr M Nicholls (Headteacher).



WORD OF THE WEEK

Eden - "*Alternative*"

Hendra - "*Discover*"

Prosper - "*Ludicrous*"

Karslake - "*Comforting*"

Melbur - "*Idyllic*"

Drinnick - "*Ravenous*"

Rosemellyn - "*Superficial*"

REMINDERS

Our final INSET day for this school year is Friday 11th June 2021, which is the first Friday after half term. This was originally planned to coincide with Royal Cornwall Show Friday, and although the Royal Cornwall Show dates have been changed due to Covid-19, the INSET day remains the same date (Friday 11th June) as originally planned.

★ 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 - Bethany - for brilliant reading and using 'Fred talk' in phonics.

Hendra - Ethan B - for excellent effort and attitude with his phonics tutoring.

Prosper - Ethan L - for excellent attitude to learning on his return to school.

Karslake - Charlie - for working hard in English and Maths.

Melbur - Arwen - for starting a new school so confidently.

Drinnick - Georgia - for high standards in written pieces of work across all subject areas.

Rosemellyn - Marlow - for showing great behaviour for learning and independently asking for support.



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:

Jessie (Melbur) - for supporting new pupils.



BUSY BEES

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

Elliot and Jaxon (Prosper) - for excellent effort during independent writing.

Leah (Karslake) - for wonderful presentation, and asking and answering excellent historical questions.

Archie H (Karslake) - for excellent knowledge of division in Maths.



SPORTS STAR AWARD

This Weeks Sports Star Award goes to:
Zane (Eden) - for excellent catching skills.

HOUSEPOINTS

Class	Godrevey (Green)	Lizard (Yellow)	Pendeen (Blue)	Trevose (Red)	Wolf Rock (Purple)
Eden	11	13	16	14	12
Hendra	21	18	20	20	16
Prosper	13	11	8	14	16
Karslake	39	74	69	32	68
Melbur	16	28	30	25	27
Drinnick	37	37	31	43	32
Rosemellyn	9	11	8	14	12
Whole School	146	192	182	162	183
Term Total	435	509	479	478	493

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

PARENTS FORUM

I was disappointed that no parents attended the recent Parents Forum session. I have spoken to parents who previously attended regularly about this. The reasons for non attendance varied from forgetting the meeting, to not liking meetings via Zoom, to being unable to attend on the previous set date. As a result, I intend to hold a parents forum meeting outside the community hall where the mini bus is usually parked (weather permitting) on Wednesday 26th May at 9:15am to 10:00am. All parents are welcome to attend and 'have their say' in all things related to Nanpean School. The intention of these meetings are to identify, from a parent perspective, things that we are doing well at Nanpean School (so that we can do more of them!) and things that we aren't doing as well (so that we can improve upon them). It would be fantastic to see many parents at this session giving their views.

PARENTS SURVEY

A reminder that our survey about Nanpean School is available for Parents / Carers to complete. This usually happens in paper form when parents attend Parent Consultation Meetings in the Autumn and Spring Terms, but due to Covid-19, these didn't take place, with a written 'mini report' sent home instead. I hope you can spare 5 minutes to access this link and complete the questions (most are a number, but the final few questions require a written answer about strengths and areas for development). This survey will be available until Thursday 20th May, 2021 so please complete it before then.

<https://freeonlinesurveys.com/s/7BMhAg90#/0>

ATTENDANCE AND HOLIDAYS

Attendance at Nanpean School continues to be high, which is positive, and I thank all children and parents for this. However, with lockdown restrictions easing, I 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. 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.

ASDA COMMUNITY GRANT - COMMUNITY LARDER

A reminder that our school version of a **Community Larder is TODAY (Friday 14th May, 2021, from 2.30pm)**. We have been donated food and wellbeing items (such as soap etc...) as Mr Nicholls applied for the Asda Community Grant. We thank Asda for this provision. The items will be left at the front of the school (near Reception area), weather permitting (if it is too wet, we will change the date and inform parents). At this time, parents can come and take items. However, we politely request that families only take a maximum of 1 of each item, so that this can be shared amongst the community.



SMART SCHOOL COUNCIL COMMUNITY - WEEKLY

'HOME DEBATE'

Please see the link below for this week's debate, centred around if one person can change the world. A very interesting concept which I am sure will promote much discussion and debate in your household!

<https://bigdebateclub.com/debate/can-one-person-change-the-world/>

INSET DAYS FOR 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

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

SCIENCE FEEDBACK - YOUR OPINION COUNTS!

We regularly review our curriculum and as part of a science review, we want as many people as possible to complete this statement: "Science is good when..."

For your feedback to reach us, we'll need you to follow this link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/97S58K7>

Your ideas will help us to shape our science vision, as we strive to create the best possible teaching and learning experiences for our school. We want a clear statement and the best way to create one is with the voice of staff, students, parents, governors, and our wider community.

Thank you for your time everyone.

Mrs Jago

