

26/03/21

NANPEAN SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



ATTENDANCE

Eden - 100%

Hendra - 96.59%

Prosper - 95.45%

Karslake - 93.00%

Melbur - 99.05%

Drinnick - 94.79%

Rosemellyn - 98.91%



WORD OF THE WEEK

Eden - "Position"

Hendra - "Dazzling"

Prosper - "Inconspicuous"

Karslake - "Luminous"

Melbur - "Thoroughly"

Drinnick - "Emerged"

Rosemellyn - "Harrowing"

REMINDERS

Friday 2nd April -

Friday 16th April -

Easter Holiday

Monday 19th April -

INSET DAY

(School closed to children
for staff training).

HEAD TEACHER WEEKLY UPDATE

Another week has flown by, as they all seem to do, and there are some days that myself, and all staff, are so busy that we don't know where the time goes. Each week is enjoyable but brings its own challenges, and, first and foremost, I am just delighted to see school fully open and all children attending again. On the theme of attendance, I often give updates and reminders about attendance in Newsletters. As has been the case for the last few years, our whole school attendance has been excellent. This year, it is currently 97.3%, which is well above the National Expectation of 96%. Thank you and well done to all children and parents for working alongside us to ensure children have high school attendance, and we expect this to continue. Despite this, monitoring of attendance continues on a monthly basis. Where there are concerns about the attendance of individual children, this will be communicated to parents, through letters and phone calls, at the end of April.

This week, I have enjoyed seeing RWI Phonics sessions taking place around the school each morning. I also enjoyed visiting Melbur (Year 4) Class this week when they were looking at a globe (Geography related discussion). I have also been involved in a couple of meetings with a company called 'Vivify', who we are now planning to use to advertise our MUGA (Multi Use Games Area, our playground) and Community Hall for hire. When appropriate and this is confirmed, a link (for booking) will appear on our school website, as I would like our facilities to be used by the community, as was intended. I also attended, as a trustee, the monthly meeting for the St Dennis and Nanpean Community Trust. They have been supportive of school 'bids' previously, and this meeting was again useful in discussing ideas for development and support of our local area.

A couple of our Governors have also completed some Governor monitoring with me this week as well in relation to areas assigned to them for monitoring.

Finally, a brief reminder from me that next week is the final week of the Spring Term (a very strange Spring Term following the recent lockdown school closures). We finish, at the usual collection times, on Thursday 1st April, 2021 for the Easter Break, as Friday 2nd April is a Bank Holiday (Good Friday as part of the Easter weekend). Monday 19th April is the first official day of the Summer Term, but this is an INSET (training) day for staff, so school reopens to children on Tuesday 20th April. Have a lovely weekend and please continue to carefully follow guidance to ensure the safety of everyone at school and the local community. Best wishes to you all,

Mr M Nicholls (Headteacher)

HOUSE POINTS

Class	Godrevey (Green)	Lizard (Yellow)	Pendeen (Blue)	Trevose (Red)	Wolf Rock (Purple)
Eden	27	21	22	23	20
Hendra	15	17	16	20	18
Prosper	20	29	19	27	29
Karslake	62	97	83	71	77
Melbur	23	35	36	36	38
Drinnick	23	25	21	27	23
Rosemellyn	12	9	10	15	13
Whole School	182	233	207	219	218
Term Total	711	789	671	727	615

These housepoints are from the Spring Term thus far, so include some housepoints given to children who were completing Remote Learning (both in school and at home during the recent lockdown), as well as those given on their return to school from 8th March, 2021.

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 - Evie for her fantastic handwriting.

Hendra - Phoebe for outstanding effort and enthusiasm with her phonics lessons.

Prosper - Imogen for endless enthusiasm and excellent English.

Karslake - Ellie for fantastic effort in Maths.

Melbur - Molly for working hard during Maths problem solving.

Drinnick - Connor for trying hard to improve his handwriting and determination in all his lessons.

Rosemellyn - Isaac for excellent understanding of fractions, decimals and percentages.

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:

Ottillie (Karslake) for being a kind and supportive friend at playtimes.

BUSY BEES

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

Imogen (Prosper) for fantastic homework related to the origins of foods.

Isaac and Elliott (Prosper) for excellent independent writing.

Duane-Lee and Toby (Karslake) for excellent reading and Phonics knowledge.

Alfie, Leah and Jamie (Karslake) for an excellent "calligram" poem during innovate week.

Mia (Melbur) for solving Maths (word) problems related to the 3 and 7 times tables.

Fyn (Drinnick) for improving confidence and speed of recall for times tables.

SPORTS STAR AWARD

This Weeks Sports Star Award goes to:

Reece and Austin (Rosemellyn) for excellent teamwork in tennis this week.

TRAFFIC CALMING

We have again been in touch with Cornwall Council and the company who installed these.

We are now aware that the 'flasher sign' (as it is known by Cornwall Council) is working at the 'Foxhole end' of St George's Road, but the one at the other end still isn't working. We have been told that the issue can be sorted remotely, but if this doesn't sort the issue, we will ask them to visit the area to ensure they are working again for the safety of children and parents at school drop off and collection times.

INSET DAY REMINDER

Our 4th INSET day of the school year is **Monday 19th April** where school is closed to children for staff training (children return on Tuesday 20th April, 2021). The main focus on this day for staff is 'The Power of Reading', which is an English scheme that we are utilising from September 2021. Further details will be given to children and parents over the Summer Term. Also, a reminder that our 5th and final INSET day of the school year is **Friday 11th June, 2021**. This was originally planned to coincide with The Royal Cornwall Show, so that parents and children could attend on this day (when it is slightly quieter as most children are in school). I am aware that The Royal Cornwall Show dates have been changed, but our INSET day, as previously advertised, will remain on Friday 11th June, 2021.

COMMUNITY

SAFETY

Unfortunately, I am hearing from children in school that they have attended sleepovers, for example, at other children's houses. It is very difficult for me to tell parents what they can and can't do for their children. However, this clearly isn't appropriate within the current Covid-19 related guidelines.

Therefore, in the best interests of safety within the whole community, I politely ask that regard is given at all times to current Government guidance.

STAFFING UPDATE

It was approved last week in our Governor's meeting that Mr Parker will remain in Year 3 until the end of this academic year (July). I am delighted that Mr Parker will be able to complete his NQT year with us and continue to work with the Year 3 class.

When Miss Brotherhood returns at the end of May, she will therefore be utilised for catch up provision across the school. Her role will be in line with the guidance in place at the time in relation to working with class groups / bubbles. We all look forward to Miss Brotherhood returning to Nanpean School and Mr Parker remaining with us for the remainder of this academic year.

EPAY

Please can we remind parents to check their ESchools account regularly and ensure outstanding payments are settled.

TRACK AND TRACE OVER EASTER

If your child (who attends Nanpean School) tests positive for Covid-19 during the Easter break from school, please notify us via the following e-mail address that has been set up specifically for this purpose:

trackandtrace@nanpean.cornwall.sch.uk

You only need to contact us if your child has been tested and it comes back positive, not if they have symptoms or if anyone else they have contact with tests positive. Due to current guidelines, this is only required for a set period of time, but I would like to know at any time so I can inform Public Health England as soon as possible, as they will guide me through the protocol for reporting to other families, if this is necessary (dependent on timescales).

This is the only e-mail address or account that will be checked or responded to over the holiday period, and it will be checked daily. Please only e-mail if your child has been tested for Covid-19 and the outcome is positive. Hopefully this doesn't happen, but if it does, we will contact Public Health England and follow their instruction regarding reporting procedures.

EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB

Our Easter Holiday Club will be running each day from Tuesday 6th April to Friday 9th April, 10am - 3pm. This will be charged at £10 per day or £35 for all 4 days. For children who are entitled to benefit related Free School Meals there will be no charge.

If you would like your child to attend, please complete the form and return to the office by Monday 29th March, ensuring payment is made by Tuesday 30th March.

YEAR 6 OUTSIDE AREA

This area has been further improved this week (see photographs) and is already looking superb. Thank you to all of the Year 6 children for their efforts, to Mrs Miskowicz for coordinating this, and for all of the donations we have received.

This week, we have received an exceptional, hand carved wooden bird feeder, from Chris England (Hallemay's Grandad), two lovely wooden planters from Phil Warren (Polly's Grandad) and general donations of flowers from other parents / family members. Mr Nicholls is so impressed with the area and the items donated that they are lucky Mr Nicholls didn't take these things for his house! Mr Nicholls intends to purchase a plaque, when this is completed, to display by the area as a thank you and reminder of the work undertaken by our current Year 6 class.

