

14/01/22

NANPEAN SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



ATTENDANCE

Eden - 92.31%

Hendra - 93.94%

Prosper - 95.45%

Karslake - 93.52%

Melbur - 96.25%

Drinnick - 95.56%

Rosemellyn - 89.74%

WORD OF THE WEEK



Eden - "Petrified"

Hendra - "United Kingdom"

Prosper - "Possessions"

Karslake - "Repel"

Melbur - "Acclimatise"

Drinnick - "Resist"

Rosemellyn - "Pesticide"

HEAD TEACHER WEEKLY UPDATE

I hope that you have had a good first full week back at school for the Spring Term following what was a miserable weekend of weather. Luckily, the weather during the week has been reasonable (for this time of year) and has meant that the children have been able to have plenty of fresh air. I even saw the Sun on Wednesday, which, despite the cold temperature, was a lovely, clear day!

As always, it has been a busy week at Nanpean School, as I am sure it is in all schools. I am always amazed and proud of all that we achieve and provide for the children each week.

This week, I was involved in some Governor Monitoring on Monday, whereby Anne Bullock, one of our Governors visited myself (in relation to Safeguarding) and Miss Morrison (in relation to SEND provision). It was lovely to have Anne in school, as she is a very experienced school leader and has recently become a Governor for us now that she has retired from her role in the Local Authority.

On Tuesday, we reviewed attendance for December in our monthly meeting with Caroline Hunt, the Student Welfare Officer. There are only a few letters to go out as a result of this, and these will go out next week, but depending on attendance of individual children, more letters will go out as and when needed in response to any declining attendance. I also enjoyed working with Year 5 on Tuesday afternoon. I was impressed with their handwriting in that session, and then they had Anna Minear, a Music specialist, to teach their Music session. They all enjoyed playing the variety of instruments and I was impressed with the tunes played.

On Thursday, Miss Morton, Miss Morrison and I reviewed Data from individual classes for the Autumn Term. We then communicated to Teachers where we would like their attention and focus for this term to be, in response to the Data Outcomes. These will also (in future) inform Interventions when the current Intervention cycle ends and is planned again.

Throughout each morning this week, I have enjoyed circulating the school during Phonics and Reading sessions each morning (9 - 9.30am). I always enjoy the Read, Write, Inc sessions that Eden, Hendra and Prosper classes take part in each morning, and I sometimes join in myself!

I hope that you have a lovely weekend and that the weather is better this weekend when compared to the torrential rain of last weekend. Take care and stay safe,

Mr M Nicholls (Headteacher).

DATES FOR THE

DIARY

- Monday 17th January - Flu Vaccinations (All) and Vision Screening for Year R.
- Wednesday 26th January - Parent's Forum at 9:15am
- Friday 28th January - Cinnamon Trust Fundraiser
- Monday 21st - Friday 25th February - Spring Half Term.

★ 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 - Hunter - for using his 'Fred fingers' to spell words without any help.

Hendra - Kensa - for excellent concentration and effort with whole class speed sound lessons.

Prosper - Austin - for his ability to make a total and explain how he did it using money in Maths.

Karslake - Dylan - for putting a lot of effort into making sure his work is finished to a high standard.

Melbur - Toby - for having a persistent, mature attitude towards learning. Hard work is paying off!

Drinnick - Auden - for exceptional multiplication work this week.

Rosemellyn - Cayden - for excellent knowledge during our RE sessions this week.



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:

Aila M (Drinnick) - for going above and beyond to help adults with any task given. Aila is incredibly considerate and often supports those around her without being instructed to do so. Thank you.



BUSY BEES

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

Frankie (Hendra) - for being an organised learner, using number bonds to 10 to help with addition.



SPORTS STAR AWARD

This Weeks Sports Star Award goes to:

Lowen (Hendra) - for excellent hand-eye coordination in PE.

Ottillie (Melbur) - for impressive tactical play during Goalball

HOUSEPOINTS

Class	Godrevey (Green)	Lizard (Yellow)	Pendeen (Blue)	Trevose (Red)	Wolf Rock (Purple)
Eden	18	20	19	21	19
Hendra	42	37	27	36	36
Prosper	14	15	13	16	14
Karslake	23	28	18	29	23
Melbur	38	61	65	46	51
Drinnick	68	65	86	94	72
Rosemellyn	21	23	24	22	21
Whole School	224	249	252	264	236
Term Total	224	249	252	264	236

At the start of the Spring term, Trevose (red) take the lead with 264 points, followed by Pendeen (Blue) with 252 points and Lizard (Yellow) in third with 249 points.

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APPLICATIONS

SEPTEMBER 2022

Is your child due to start school in September 2022? If so, you need to apply by THIS SATURDAY 15TH JANUARY 2022.

To apply, visit

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schools-and-education/schools-and-colleges/school-admissions/>

Starting School



PARENTS FORUM

A reminder that our Parents Forum meeting for this half term, where parents are able to informally meet Mr Nicholls to discuss positives and further ideas in relation to Nanpean School, will take place at 9.15am (once school entrance / drop off has taken place) on Wednesday 26th January, 2022. Again, due to higher case numbers of Covid-19 and the ease of transmission of the Omicron variant, this meeting will be held outdoors (we will meet by the Minibus). If the weather on the day is particularly unpleasant, we will send a notification via Class Dojo and via text message to cancel this and with a rearranged date.

DRAINAGE

Unfortunately, now the rain has returned, we have had a couple of days where the drains have been blocked which has led to large puddles at school collection time. This has led to us using the larger gate at this time on a couple of days over the last two weeks. We apologise for any inconvenience, but the issue is under the road, and not on our school site. However, it causes a 'backlog' of water which then congregates on our school site. We have contacted Cornwall Council about this, as when they have cleared the drainage systems under the road previously, there haven't been any issues with water on our school site for a lengthy period of time. Hopefully, they act quickly and then monitor this so it doesn't continue to happen.

RECYCLE4CHARITY

INK CARTRIDGE

COLLECTION

You will see we have sent flyers home with the children today (Friday) from Recycle4Charity. If you have any old ink cartridges, please bring them in to the main reception area and drop them in the recycling box. The school can then send these off and receive money towards our fundraising efforts!! Thank you in advance for your support with this.



Raise Money For Charity
Help The Environment

WEEKLY HOME DEBATE

This week, the weekly home debate as part of our work with the Smart School Council Community (SSCC) asks: Should everyone be Vegetarian? This can be accessed via the link below:

<https://bigdebateclub.com/debate/should-everyone-be-vegetarian/>

Last week, the debate asked if New Year's Resolutions were a waste of time. I have had some people telling me about their resolutions, so I am certain that not everyone thinks they are a waste of time, but there are likely to be people who feel they are unnecessary and therefore who don't make resolutions. Personally, I find them something to focus on in the months after the busy festive season. I promised an update on my resolution, which I will do again at some point in the future. Thus far (a couple of weeks in) I am exercising more. Last week and this week, this included playing Squash twice and going for a 10Km run twice each week. I aim to continue this and also be back on my bike once the weather improves!

ATTENDANCE

Attendance at Nanpean School has remained lower than usual throughout the Autumn Term. This is understandable as we are in to cold season and due to Covid, however, it's always disappointing to see the school with a lower attendance rate when compared to previous years. 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.

BOOK AMNESTY

As you will be aware from previous newsletters, we have had a major refurbishment on the School Library. As part of this, Mrs Williams has very kindly sorted and reorganised every library book held at the school. Unfortunately, she has found that we are missing somewhere in the region of 100 books!! Please can you have a good hunt around and see if you can find any old school books lurking in the cupboard under the stairs, the back of the wardrobe or the drawer under the bed!! We really do need the precious resources. We will place a box in the main reception area for you to return any books you may have. Thank you.

