

NANPEAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Friday 15th March 2024



Dates for the Diary

- Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th March – Parents' Consultations – More details elsewhere on this Newsletter.
- Thursday 21st March – Family Worker Drop in Session – More details elsewhere on this Newsletter.
- Thursday 21st March – Easter Bingo – More details elsewhere on this Newsletter.
- Tuesday 26th March – 2:45-3:15pm – Book Look – More details elsewhere on this Newsletter.
- Thursday 28th March – last day of the Spring Term.

Head Teacher Weekly Update

After last weekend's disappointing weather, it was great to have a week in school where children were able to enjoy being outdoors with their friends at playtimes, and this was evident in them playing happily at lunchtime. I never underestimate the impact the weather can have on children!

This week has been extremely busy, as always. The week began with two other Headteachers visiting our school, this is part of TPAT's SHIP programme, and I am due to visit those schools in the upcoming weeks as well. The focus on Monday was KS2 Reading, which was very positive, with consistency across that part of the school. We also looked at children's work and began formulating ideas for an updated Assessment and Feedback Policy, as this is something that all TPAT schools have been asked to consider and focus on. Their reflections on our current policy were extremely helpful and have supported me in progressing my thoughts in relation to updating this ready for September and the 2024-25 academic year. Once completed, this updated Policy will be available on the website (likely to be July) ready for the next academic year.

On Tuesday morning, I had a meeting at Brannel with other Headteachers from the local cluster area. This meeting enabled us to plan upcoming events in the area. Then on Wednesday afternoon, I had a TPAT Headteacher's meeting for schools in the area, to discuss progress in relation to TPAT priorities, such as their 'leading teacher' initiative which is about to be started, so that a chosen staff member can 'coach' other staff members and support with professional development.

On Thursday, we had our half termly monitoring focus on English and Maths. I usually alternate between the two subjects each half term alongside relevant subject leaders. Miss Morrison and Myself were pleased with English, and have a few minor areas for development to now focus on, as does Mr Prince with Maths following his monitoring. At the time of writing (after school on Thursday) I am looking forward to meeting parents for the half termly Parents Forum meeting tomorrow morning. This is always an insightful and productive meeting.

By the time children and parents receive this Newsletter it will nearly be the weekend. I hope you enjoy quality time with your family and friends. A reminder that next week is a full week of school, but the following week is Monday to Thursday, as school finishes at 3.15pm on Thursday 28th March for Easter, with Good Friday (bank holiday) being on Friday 29th March. Best wishes to everyone in the school and local community,

Mr M Nicholls (Headteacher)

ATTENDANCE

Eden – 96%

Hendra – 92%

Prosper – 81.6%

Melbur – 91.7%

Drinnick – 88.3%

Rosemellyn – 96.7%



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 – Anne Marie** – for super effort in reading and writing this week.
 - **Hendra – James** – for great independent writing.
 - **Prosper – Freddie** – for his great effort during English and Maths.
 - **Melbur – Teddy & Logan G (Year 4)** – for effort with joining their letters in handwriting.
 - **Drinnick – Rhys** – for fantastic and imaginative independent writing.
- Rosemellyn – Alfie** – A diligent and committed attitude to improving his reading SAT scores



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 (Rosemellyn) – for showing great empathy and being incredibly kind and selfless.



Busy Bees



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

Archie and Olivia (Prosper) – for excellent quantity of independent writing and great vocabulary choices.



Sports Star



This Weeks Sports Star Award goes to:

Halle (Drinnick) – for fantastic effort and determination in Netball club.

Housepoints

Class	Godrevey (Green)	Lizard (Yellow)	Pendeen (Blue)	Trevose (Red)	Wolf Rock (Purple)
Eden	14	14	11	10	10
Hendra	12	11	11	11	12
Prosper	15	10	13	13	12
Melbur	24	20	31	34	23
Drinnick	30	35	24	23	36
Rosemellyn	11	14	10	13	16
Whole School	106	104	100	104	109
Term Total	1,069	1,036	1,134	1,103	1,025

THIS WEEK, PENDEEN (BLUE) STAY IN THE LEAD WITH 1134 POINTS, FOLLOWED BY TREVOSE (RED) WITH 1103 POINTS IN SECOND AND GODREVEY (GREEN) IN THIRD WITH 1069 POINTS.

Parent Governor Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for one parent governor and are seeking nominations for an enthusiastic and committed parent or carer to join the governing board. Parent governors are welcomed as valued members of the team and play a vital role in ensuring the governing board is aware of the views of parents and the local community. If you feel this is something you are able to commit to (around an hour each month), please visit the office to ask Miss Tucker or Mrs Houston for a nomination form.

Deadline for Applications: Friday 22nd March 2024

Book Look

As parent consultations are virtual meetings done via the school cloud system, following these we always invite parents to classrooms to look at their child(ren)'s work. This has been set for 2.45 – 3.15pm on Tuesday 26th March. We look forward to seeing many parents in school visiting their child(ren)'s classroom(s) then.



Weekly Home Debate

This week, the weekly debate asks if homework should be banned! Please access this via the link below. This was also posted on Class Dojo at the beginning of the week.

<https://bigdebateclub.com/debate/should-homework-be-banned/>

I hope you enjoy discussing and debating this and I look forward to hearing your views. I will comment on any views I hear in the following week's newsletter and will also share a new debate topic to discuss then!

Last week, the debate asked if there should be a legal age for drinking energy drinks. Many people said there should be, due to what they contain (amounts of caffeine, for example). I completely agree with this and feel energy drinks should be for elite athletes, not for children.



Don't forget our first fundraising Bingo of the year is being held next Thursday 21st March 2024. This bingo is to raise as much as possible to go towards our Year 6 leavers celebrations.

**We look forward to welcoming you all.
We would also appreciate any donations of prizes.**

Easter Celebrations!!

If parents are willing to donate some small, foil wrapped eggs that can be hidden around the school grounds for the classes to have Easter Egg hunts in the last week of term, this would be very much appreciated. Please hand these to your child's class teacher before Friday 22nd March.

Also, we are holding an Easter Egg Raffle, if anyone would be willing to donate an Easter Egg towards this raffle, please drop these in to the school office before Friday 22nd March.



Parent Consultations – School Cloud

Parent Consultations are on Tuesday 19th March (1-3.30pm) and Wednesday 20th March (3.30-6pm). Due to the success of these taking place virtually, and positive comments from many parents, we are continuing to do these virtually through school cloud. To book an appointment with your child's class teacher, please visit:

<https://nanpean.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Please remember that the details you type must match the details we hold on our information management system.

If you are having any issues, please contact Miss Tucker or Mrs Houston in the office and they will try to assist you. For support in navigating the School Cloud booking system, please use our school website homepage:

<http://www.nanpean.cornwall.sch.uk/website>

and there is an information video towards the bottom left of the homepage screen.

SongFest 2024

Last Thursday some of our choir were lucky enough to represent our school at Songfest 2024 in Truro Cathedral. It was an amazing experience to sing with choirs from 9 other schools. They sang a range of sea shanties including 'The Wellerman'.

Our pupils were commended for their behaviour by the organisers, which made both Mrs Cooper and Mrs Williams extremely proud. We are already looking forward to next year!



Cross Country



Well done to the children that braved the wet weather conditions to represent the school in Cross Country at Brannel on Thursday.

They all did really well.

Lilly finished 3rd in Year 3/4 Girls

In Year 5 Boys:

Mason finished 12th

Henry 15th

Riley 16th

Cancelled Clubs

Due to parent consultation appointments and other things happening next week (w/c 18th March 2024), the only after school clubs that will be running are the ones that are led by Mr Harwood.

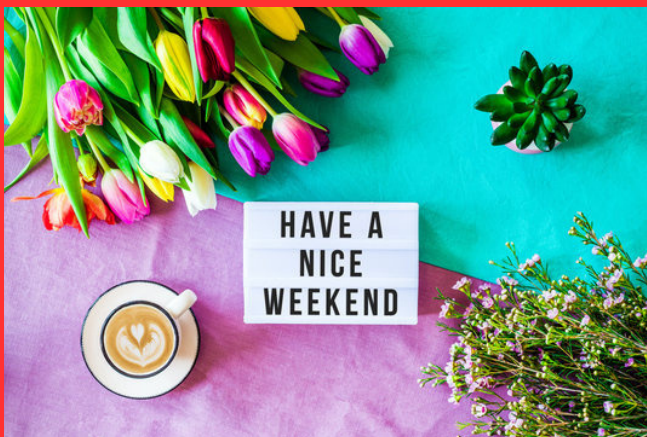
Therefore there will be no:

TTRS on Monday

Netball or Lego on Tuesday

Singing or Drawing on Thursday

W/c 25th March 2024 there will be no clubs.



Parking Around School Site

A reminder that there should be NO PARKING on the Zig-Zag lines at the front of the school site. These lines have been marked to keep ALL visitors to the school site safe, including children coming and going each day. Please do not park in this area and cause an obstruction.

Adult Behaviour

A reminder that parents are expected to behave in a respectable manner while on and around the school site. Actions of verbal and or physical aggression will not be tolerated. Anyone seen acting in this way, will be asked to leave the school site and could be barred permanently from returning to the school site.

A copy of the parent and visitor code of conduct policy can be found on the school website, or a printed copy can be

The Mental Health Support Team invites you to book your place on our Decider Skills Workshop


Decider Skills are a set of life skills based on cognitive behaviour therapy (CBT). The skills are aimed at helping young people to recognise and understand their emotions, and promote positive mental health. They also include basic problem solving and conflict de-escalation skills, and have a strong focus on supporting children in regulating their own emotions.

Upcoming Sessions:

- Monday, 25th March at 10:00 AM and 5:00 PM
- Wednesday, 27th March at 4:00 PM
- Thursday, 28th March at 9:30 AM and 4:00 PM

Please note: This group is open to parents of children aged from Nursery to Year 6

To request a place, complete the online form or scan the QR code provided:
<https://forms.office.com/e/YepSO4KNBz>



Sign up will close on Thursday 21st March

Family Worker Drop-In Session

The Early Help Team will be running some Family Drop in Sessions here at school. The next session is on Thursday 21st March at 3pm. These sessions are open to any parents / carers of children who attend Nanpean School.