

Nanpean Community Primary School

#### **Head teacher Weekly Update:**

Happy New Year to everyone and best wishes for 2020. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you back to school for the Spring Term. I hope that you all had a lovely festive break, enjoyed seeing family and friends and have many happy memories as a result. The festive period is always busy but I now hope that you are all refreshed and ready for the term ahead.

On Monday we had a Staff Training day, which focused on Team Teach which includes de-escalation and positive behaviour strategies.

It was then lovely to see all of the children on Tuesday as they returned to school with smiling faces and many stories about their Christmas and New Year celebrations. On Tuesday, I also met Dr Tim Cook, another Headteacher, who we are hoping will join our Governing Board.

At the end of the week I met with Teachers about Class Data and Pupil Progress from the Autumn Term. This then informed provision and support through interventions for this half term. This should ensure that the children continue to make good progress at school.

Next week I was looking forward to a reunion with children, staff and parents from my previous school who we were due to be playing against in the Football and Netball fixtures. However, unfortunately Bugle have had to cancel these fixtures so these will be rearranged for an alternative date this term. Therefore the clubs will take place as usual. Have a lovely weekend, best wishes,

## Mr M Nicholls, Head teacher

## **REMINDERS**

- ⇒ After school clubs begin w/c Monday 13th January 2020.
- ⇒ No football/netball match against Bugle on Tuesday 14th January, clubs take place.

# **ATTENDANCE**

w/c 06/01/2020		Karslake	98.72%
Eden	97.10%	Melbur	98.15%
Hendra	99.22%	Drinnick	99.31%
Prosper	92.53%	ROSEMELLYN	100%

# NEWSLETTER 10/01/2020

We hope you feel that you are always treated fairly, and feel able to come into school to discuss issues. We are always open to reviewing our equity policies.

#### **STARS OF THE WEEK**

Each week, Nanpean School staff choose one pupil from their class who has shone to be their class star. Star of the Week' texts will be sent home every Thursday. Please ensure we have the correct mobile number on record for you.

This week our stars are:

Eden - Ashton for his excellent number work.

Hendra - Riley for his lovely painting of a stormy sea.

**Prosper - Lily-Ella** for excellent progress in Read, Write, Inc.

Karslake - Ivy for fantastic behaviour for learning.

**Melbur - Ashleigh** for her excellent focus in English this week.

**Drinnick - Isaac** for his excellent behaviour/attitude for learning.

**Rosemellyn - Charlie** for helping peers to understand a money fact in our Read, Write, Inc. lesson.

## **BUSY BEES**

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

There are no Busy Bees this week.

#### **SPORTS STAR AWARD**

This weeks Sports Star award goes to:

**Reece (Drinnick) -** for excellent skill/technique in Badminton 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:

**Jaxon (Hendra)** for being extremely welcoming and supportive to new members in his class.

## **DIARY DATES**

# Spring Term 2020

Monday 13th January, 9am - Administator Interviews
Monday 13th January, 2:30pm - Parent's Foum Meeting
Thursday 16th January, 12pm - CENSUS day menu
Thursday 16th January, 12pm - Cross Country at Par
Tuesday 21st January, 3pm - Football/Netball v Whitemoor (H)
Friday 24th January, 6pm - Bingo

#### New Entrance System from January

Just a reminder that following on from some recent feedback regarding morning entry we have made some changes. From now on, Year 6 children will come directly to their classroom as currently happens. Year 4 and 5 children will come in the current entrance that they use (so no change) but Mrs Jago and Mr Tonkin will be available from 8.45—8.55am most days at the doors welcoming children to school at these times. Year 2 and 3 children will go directly into their classroom via the external doors that they are collected from at the end of the day. Year R and 1 children will continue to use the KS1 door but Mr Barritt and Mrs Hayes will be present and available here most days from 8.45—8.55am. We have made these amendments to allow parents/ carers time to speak with their child's class teacher, but if there are messages related to attendance/ absence, finances, or anything not related to the curriculum, please ensure that you speak with the Office.

#### ⇒ Parent's Forum

It has been agreed that we will vary the time of one meeting per term. Therefore, the next Parents Forum meeting will be on Monday 13th January at 2.30pm. Hopefully people who regularly attend this meeting will be able to attend and some extra parents will be able to attend due to the variation of the day and time.

#### ⇒ FANS - Friends Association of Nanpean School

Our first meeting of 2020 was held on Wednesday, Thank you to those that were able to attend. PTA groups are increasingly common in Primary Schools and are invaluable as a means of fundraising for the school and providing our pupils with additional opportunities over and above what the school can currently provide. We meet on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 9am. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 12th February 2020 at 9am. If you are interested in being part of our group, please make Mrs Houston aware, as any new members would be made very welcome, and any time that you can contribute towards this would be much appreciated. The first events of the year that will are organising are:

#### BINGO - Friday 24th January 2020

Doors will open at 6pm with eyes down at 6:30pm. Everyone will be welcome to attend. Light refreshments will be available as well as a raffle. If anyone has any unwanted/ unopened Christmas presents, items no longer needed or simply would like to give something we would really appreciate any prize donations for this event. Items can be dropped into the school office.

# SCHOOL DISCO - Friday 7th February 2020

Following the success of previous school discos last year, we will be organising another one for **Friday 7th February, from 6pm until 7:30pm**. Letters giving all the relevant information and consent forms for this will be sent out soon. If anyone is available to help on the evening please can you let Mrs Houston in the office know. Without sufficient volunteers, events like these will not be able to go ahead.

# ⇒ Outstanding Payments

Please can we ask parents/carers to log in to their ESchools regularly to see if they have any outstanding payments.

Payments need to be made via ESchools. If you need assistance with logging in to your account, please speak to the Office.







## Census Day Menu - Thursday 16th January 2020

Census day is when the Local Authorities collect information electronically from every school in their area, partly to guide them in planning and funding. They collect details such as pupil numbers, numbers of pupils with Special Educational Needs, entitled to Pupil Premium funding, entitled to Free School Meals, attendance information and so forth.

To maximise our potential funding, we would encourage all families with children entitled to FSM to enjoy their free meal on Thursday 3rd October, rather than bringing a packed lunch that day.

It is the amount of children in Early Years and Key Stage One eating the free meal on the actual day's lunchtime that informs the funding, rather than meals ordered for that day or children attending school.

The menu this day will be:

Hotdogs and chips, followed by ice cream and fresh fruit!

#### February Half Term - Go Active Holiday Club

Go Active will be running a holiday club on **Thursday 20th February 2020.** This club will be a packed day of fun
sports, team games, and the opportunity to try new
activities. Letters including all the relevant information will
be sent out soon.

## Class letters and Topic overviews for Spring Term

Class letters and Curriculum overviews will be sent home to parents/carers via ESchools and will also be available to view on each class page on the school website.

# Rosemellyn trip to Theatre Royal

If your child would like to attend the class trip to Theatre Royal on Thursday 19th March, forms should be returned and payments need to be made via ESchools asap as numbers will be counted on Monday morning and we will then decide whether to confirm or cancel the tickets.

#### **Spring Term Clubs**

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The Spring Term club letter was sent home at the end of last term. All clubs begin next week, **w/c Monday 13th**January 2020. We endeavour to ensure that all children will be allocated at least one place in their chosen clubs but will generally allocate places on a 'first come first served basis'. If your child did not get into a club, you will have been notified today via ESchools. If you did not receive a text, you can assume your child has a place in their chosen clubs.



Yours Sincerely,

Mr M Nicholls, Headteacher





