

07/01/22

# NANPEAN SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER



### ATTENDANCE

Eden -89.74%

Hendra -96.97%

Prosper -100.00%

Karslake -91.67%

Melbur -95.06%

Drinnick -100%

Rosemellyn -92%

### WORD OF THE WEEK



Eden - "Lonely"

Hendra - "Material"

Prosper- "Manners"

Karslake - "Nutrition"

Melbur - "Inhospitable"

Drinnick -"Resolution"

Rosemellyn -"Hemisphere"

### DATES FOR THE

### DIARY

- Monday 17th January - Flu Vaccinations 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.

### HEAD TEACHER WEEKLY UPDATE

Welcome back to school after the Christmas and New Year break! I hope you had a lovely Christmas and I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy New Year and best wishes to you and your family for 2022. I hope that you also found some time to relax over the busy festive period.

This week, we welcomed Miss Peters (Year 5) and Mrs Gumbrell (Year R) as replacements for Miss Dash and Mrs Wade. We wish them every success and hope they enjoy their time at Nanpean School. At the beginning of the Spring Term, we are continuing to work in year group (class) bubbles. This is due to the Omicron variant of Covid-19 and high case numbers across the country as I continue to hear that this variant spreads rapidly. This will continue to be monitored and as soon as cases are at a more reasonable number, more mixing between different classes (such as at playtime, lunchtime and during extra-curricular clubs) will be reintroduced.

This week, we had our third INSET Day of the School Year on Tuesday, whereby Mark Corbett, a Curriculum Advisor for the Local Authority, led sessions about the Curriculum, with a particular focus on Curriculum End Points. Myself and Subject Leaders now have some clear actions as a result of this.

On Wednesday, I enjoyed visiting each class and seeing children and families back at school. It was lovely to hear from children about their Christmas / New Year and I look forward to talking to other children about this as well.

On Thursday, I spent the day mainly ensuring paperwork was ready for upcoming Governors meetings, and this included updating a couple of Policies. Once approved by Governors, these will be added to the School Website.

Throughout the first few days back at school for the Spring Term, I have enjoyed seeing the children smiling and happy to be with their friends, while I was also impressed with how quickly they have settled again and completed work. I enjoyed seeing Year 1 (Hendra Class) during their Read, Write, Inc Phonics sessions this week and was impressed with their use of 'Fred Fingers' to spell words, such as 'neat'. I was also impressed with their handwriting. I also saw some bees created in Art by our Year 2 (Prosper) Class. These are already on display in their classroom and look amazing, and are a lovely way to start their learning, which links a few subjects, this term.

I hope that you have all had a lovely first few days back at school and are looking forward to the term ahead. I am sure the shock of being back into routine will have left children and parents (and staff!) tired after the slightly shorter week so I hope you now have a lovely, relaxing weekend. Best wishes,

Mr M Nicholls (Headteacher).

## ★ 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 - Olivia** - for brilliant independent writing about spiders.

**Hendra - Oscar** - for excellent concentration and effort with counting on using a number line.

**Prosper - Toby** - for using his phonics to write words.

**Karslake - Alfie** - for having a great start to the new term by following instructions with thought and care.

**Melbur - Lacie** - for a focused and motivated attitude towards her learning.

**Drinnick - Ruben** - for settling back in to a new term so well. Keep up the great work!

**Rosemellyn - Ollie** - for a great solution to our New Year maths puzzler.

## 🏆 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 (Karslake)** - for being exceptionally kind and helpful to other members of the class.

## 🐝 BUSY BEES 🐝

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

No Busy Bees this week

## ★ SPORTS STAR AWARD ★

This Weeks Sports Star Award goes to:

**Archie C (Melbur)** - for being really helpful in Tennis set-up.

## HOUSEPOINTS

Class	Godrevey (Green)	Lizard (Yellow)	Pendeen (Blue)	Trevose (Red)	Wolf Rock (Purple)
Eden	11	13	11	12	14
Hendra	14	12	11	11	12
Prosper	15	14	13	17	15
Karslake	19	22	13	20	22
Melbur	75	93	75	76	47
Drinnick	43	48	64	65	63
Rosemellyn	37	33	26	42	19
<b>Whole School</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>192</b>
<b>Term Total</b>	<b>2,071</b>	<b>2,322</b>	<b>2,133</b>	<b>2,442</b>	<b>2,255</b>

As per the last newsletter of the Autumn Term, Trevose (red) finished in 1st with an impressive 2442 points, Lizard (Yellow) were second place with 2322 points and Wolf Rock (Purple) were in third with 2255 points. Well done everyone!! We will start to count the housepoints for the Spring Term next week on our first full week.

## SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

### SEPTEMBER 2022

Is your child due to start school in September 2022? If so, you need to apply by 15TH JANUARY 2022. We had planned to hold 'open days', however, with Covid 19 cases still prevalent and us seeing a rise in cases in the area, if you would like a tour of our school, please phone or email the office on [office@nanpean.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:office@nanpean.cornwall.sch.uk) or 01726 822447 to arrange an appointment with Mr Nicholls

## Starting School



## NASAL FLU VACCINE

This year's flu vaccinations are due to take place in school on Monday 17th January 2022.

Please see the letter sent home via eSchools on 17th December to see further information about the vaccine and to access the link required to give permission for your child to be vaccinated.

Permission needs to be given NO LATER than 13th January.

IF YOU DO NOT FOLLOW THE LINK PROVIDED, YOUR CHILD WILL NOT BE VACCINATED.

# NON - SCHOOL

## UNIFORM FOR THE CINNAMON TRUST

On Friday 28th January, we will be holding a non - uniform day to raise money for The Cinnamon Trust. This is something that our School Council have agreed upon, under the supervision of Mrs Miskowicz. The Cinnamon Trust is a charity that supports elderly, sick or terminally ill people who can no longer look after their pets. This is a charity that is very close to the hearts of several staff members, and as we're sure you can appreciate, the work the Charity does is invaluable in times when they are needed. They are a small, family run charity, but do an amazing job!! For the non - school uniform day, we are asking for donations of £1 per child, and children can dress up as their favourite animals if they wish to do so or any non-school uniform!



## ONLINE SAFETY

### NEWSLETTER

We subscribe to a monthly Online Safety Newsletter and this is sent out to children and parents via Class Dojo and Tapestry each month. It is also attached with the Newsletter today and we hope you find this information extremely useful.

## CLASS LETTERS

Class letters and Curriculum learning maps (overviews for this term) have been sent out via Class Dojo and Tapestry this week. These will also be added to the website in due course.

## WEEKLY HOME DEBATE

I am sure many of you will have made New Year Resolutions (I have made my usual one with the intention of exercising more!) However, this week's weekly home debate asks: Are New Year Resolutions a waste of time? Please access this debate via the link below! It will be interesting to hear people's views, any resolutions you have made, and I will let you know at some point how successful

I have been with my resolution!

<https://bigdebateclub.com/debate/are-new-years-resolutions-a-waste-of-time/>

## 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.

## PROSPER CLASS 'BEE ART'

As mentioned elsewhere in the Newsletter, Prosper class have made some amazing Bees which link into a few of their subjects this term. I'm sure you'll agree, it looks like they've all been very buzz-y!!!







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## Online Safety Newsletter

January 2022

### Smart TV / Streaming services

There are so many TV streaming services available now such as Netflix, Prime, Apple TV, Now TV and Disney as well as more families having Smart TVs, which connect to the internet and allow you to download apps and access YouTube for example. This means our children potentially have access to a lot more content, some of which may not always be appropriate to watch.

If your child does access content through these services then, as always, make sure you set parental controls so they can only view content that is suitable for their age.

Each service will have their own parental control settings with most of them using a Parental PIN so you can restrict what can be viewed (and purchased in some cases).



### TikTok

**You must be over 13 years of age to use TikTok.**

Users can watch musical clips, record clips (it includes lots of lip synching and dancing), edit them and add special effects.

#### Why should I be concerned?

You need to be aware that some of the videos may contain explicit language and sexual imagery, which may not be suitable for your child to view. There is also the risk of strangers contacting your child so make sure you have set up the appropriate settings.

If your child is using TikTok then we recommend setting the account as private (this is the default setting for users under 16 since Jan 2021). Even with a private account, your child's profile information such as their photo and bio are still visible so ensure your child understands the importance of not adding personal information (e.g. location, age and phone numbers) to this area. This article explains how you can strengthen your privacy settings and what features are turned off by default for accounts for children aged 13 – 15: <https://newsroom.tiktok.com/en-us/strengthening-privacy-and-safety-for-youth>

#### Family Pairing

This allows parents to link their own TikTok account to their child's account. This will allow you to set controls such as restricted mode (limit the appearance of inappropriate content) and screen time management (control how long they can spend on TikTok each day). You can find out more here: <https://www.tiktok.com/safety/en/guardians-guide/>

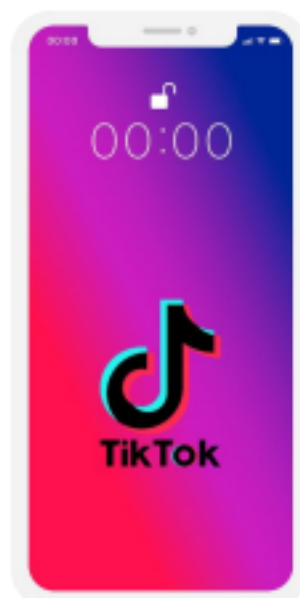
#### Challenges and Trends

Lots of them are fun and not harmful but sometimes they can be risky. TikTok have produced this resource to help you talk to your child about challenges and the potential risks: <https://www.tiktok.com/safety/en-sg/online-challenges/>.

#### Blocking and Reporting

As with similar apps, there is the ability to report and block other users so ensure your child knows how to use these features:

- <https://support.tiktok.com/en/safety-hc/report-a-problem>
- <https://support.tiktok.com/en/using-tiktok/followers-and-following/blocking-the-users>



Is your child playing Fortnite? It is rated PEGI 12 for frequent mild violence which means it is not suitable for persons under 12 years of age.

It is important to remember that when rating games, PEGI do not take into consideration the communication features of a game. Fortnite does include a chat facility, which adds further risks.

### What is Fortnite?

There are different versions of Fortnite, including a free-to-play Battle Royale game (although money can be spent within the game) where up to 100 players compete against each other.

### What do I need to be aware of?

- **Chatting to strangers and inappropriate language:** Fortnite contains voice and text chat. Due to the nature of the game, your child may be chatting to strangers and may hear inappropriate language. Ensure your child knows how to report players for any inappropriate behaviour.
- **In app purchases:** All users can purchase V-Bucks directly through the game. This currency can be used to purchase items in the Fortnite store so make sure you don't store your payment details within the game/device and restrict purchases.

### Parental Controls

Fortnite includes several parental controls to help you make it a safer environment for your child including disabling voice chat, filtering language and setting privacy settings. Find out more about parental controls here: <https://www.epicgames.com/fornite/en-US/parental-controls>. Also, remember to set up age-appropriate parental controls on the device your child is playing on as well.

### Further information

<https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/gaming-consoles/fornite-chapter-2-battle-royale-parental-controls-guide/>

## LEGO Build and Talk

LEGO® have created Build and Talk to help you chat to your child about digital safety and wellbeing. Firstly, you pick an activity to do and then you read a story, which includes questions and conversation prompts, whilst they build with their LEGO®. This is a great way to start talking about online safety with your child! <https://www.lego.com/en-gb/sustainability/children/buildandtalk/>

Whilst you're there, view their guides on key topics related to online safety <https://www.lego.com/en-gb/sustainability/children/digital-child-safety/> or play Doom the Gloom with your child, which will support them in using the internet safely: <https://www.lego.com/en-gb/campaigns/kids/doom-the-gloom>.

## BBC Own it keyboard and App

Did you know BBC Own It has a keyboard and app? Download the app on your child's phone to access the special keyboard, which will offer advice as they type and intervenes for example, if they're sharing their mobile number, the app will tell your child to 'think safe' before they send the message. Find out more here: <https://www.bbc.com/ownit/take-control/own-it-app>

BBC Own it also has a dedicated area for you with video guides on useful topics such as 'the transition from primary to secondary school' and 'supporting children with social media apps' and links to other useful sites. Click below to access:

<https://www.bbc.com/ownit/curations/parents>

## Apple Guided Access / Android Screen pinning

Does your child use your phone at times? Both Apple and Android give you the ability to restrict what can be accessed when they are using it, so you can restrict your device to the one app that your child would like to use (so all other features are disabled).

Use the following links to find out how to set it up:

#### Apple:

<https://support.apple.com/en-gb/HT202612>

#### Android:

<https://support.google.com/android/answer/9455138?hl=en-GB>