



Nanpean Community Primary School

Nurturing Children's Passion to Succeed



NEWSLETTER

15/11/2019

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.

Head teacher Weekly Update:

As always, it has been a busy week at school. It was lovely to see so many parents and children attending Parent Consultation appointments on Tuesday and Wednesday. I hope that you were all pleased with how children have settled into their new classes and the progress they've made thus far this year, while I also hope you are now aware of their targets for further progress. I would also like to thank you for completing questionnaires: your positive comments and further suggestions are extremely valued. Feedback will be given in due course in relation to these.

Unfortunately, the weather scuppered our attempts for the children to attend cross county on Thursday this week, this is the first time our school would have taken part in this event. There are further races planned which we will attend (weather permitting) and I will add these results to the newsletter.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your efforts and donations in relation to Children in Need. As you can imagine, this was an exciting day which was very well enjoyed by children and staff!

Finally, I would like to mention our caretaker, Mr Watts, who has been working extremely hard to try to clear out the drains in the hope the 'swimming pool' that arrives in poor weather on the path into school doesn't appear as often. The drainage for this seems to have improved, but I thank you for your patience as this is an ongoing Cornwall Council issue due to the drainage system. They are currently in the process of arranging further investigations and hopefully completing required works imminently. I hope that the weather improves and that you have a lovely weekend. Best wishes,

Mr M Nicholls, Head teacher

ATTENDANCE

w/c 11/11/2019			
Eden	95.45%	Karslake	96.15%
Hendra	90%	Melbur	93.52%
Prosper	99.14%	Drinnick	99.48%
		Rosemellyn	96.88%

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 - Ethan for a resilient approach to learning and a positive focus in class.

Hendra - Alfie for his amazing focus in Maths lessons.

Prosper - Charlie for his excellent effort in Music this week,

Karslake - Bobby for his fantastic independent work.

Melbur - Cameron for perseverance and effort across all his lessons.

Drinnick - Owen for his excellent inference skills during our discussion of The Iron Man.

Rosemellyn - Chloe for teaching the class an effective method for adding mixed fractions.

BUSY BEES

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



Jason (Rosemellyn) for editing, improving and up-levering his English Work

Ashleigh (Melbur) for excellent effort and inference skills (Reading)



SPORTS STAR AWARD

This weeks Sports Star award goes to:

Harrison (Prosper) - for brilliant jumping in gymnastics 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:

Kadie, Charlie, Ava and Chloe (Rosemellyn) for being extremely helpful during our Parent's Evenings.

REMINDERS

⇒ **There will be no football or netball club on Tuesday 19th November due to matches at Foxhole.**

⇒ **Christmas dinner letters need to be returned by Wednesday 20th November.**



Staffing Changes

From Monday 18th November, Mr Bacon will be working alongside Mrs Cocks to support Mr Barritt in Hendra Class (Year 1) in the morning, and then continuing with his PE lessons across the school in the afternoon. As a result of this Mrs Wade will be utilised to provide extra support in Karslake and Melbur (Year 3 and 4) classes each morning, and will then continue supporting children with speech and language needs in the afternoon.



Christmas Fair

Preparations are under way for our Christmas Fair which will be taking place on **Wednesday 18th December** at 1:30pm. We have a number of activities, competitions and stalls planned to make our Fair even more successful than previous years. If any parents/carers would like to hire a stall at the Fair, please speak to Miss Dash or Mrs Houston in the office by Friday 6th December. We charge £5 per table at the Fair. We are always very grateful for anyone who can help out at the Fair and would also really appreciate any donations of raffle prizes or cakes/buns for our cake stall. If any parents would like to volunteer again, please again let the office know, any donations can be dropped into the Office. We will also be selling tea towels and calendars this year at the Fair. Details of this will follow.



KS1 Nativity

As detailed on the school calendar there has been an amendment to the dates for the KS1 Nativity this year. New dates:

Friday 13th December at 2:00pm, Dress rehearsal, this is where we invite KS2 children and teaching staff and any parents with younger siblings who would like to watch.

Monday 16th December at 2pm, afternoon performance.

Monday 16th December at 5:30pm, evening performance. Letters and booking forms will be sent out in due course.



Nanpean School Open Days

We are going to be holding some sessions for prospective parents of children due to start Reception Class in September 2020. We feel it's important to give parents the opportunity to come in and visit the school and meet the staff before completing their applications for a primary school place. These sessions are going to be held on **Wednesday 20th November 2019 at 1:30pm** and **Thursday 21st November 2019 at 9:30am**. We look forward to welcoming you. Please inform the office if you are planning to attend.



KS2 Carol Concert

This year the children from KS2 will be performing in a carol concert on **Tuesday 10th December at 2:30pm**. Children will be performing some classic carols and doing some readings about the traditional Christmas story. Parents are invited to attend.



The Sun Newspaper, Books for Schools

The Sun newspaper are offering 20,000 schools in England, Wales and Northern Ireland the chance to claim a pack of free books worth more than £600. In order to be in with a chance of claiming this pack we need to collect 3,500 tokens that can be found in The Sun and The Sun on Sunday newspapers. Please can you share this with your family and friends and see if we as a School can achieve this.



Parent Friends of Nanpean School

The Parent Friends of Nanpean School held a meeting on Wednesday 13th November. Lots of fundraising ideas and suggestions were brought to the meeting and a number of events have already been marked in our calendar. The group are always looking for new members to help organise and run events for the School so if you are interested please let Mrs Houston know. The next meeting will be **Wednesday 11th December at 9am**.



Attendance

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. We would like to remind all parents/carers of the following:

- If you take your child out of school without permission you will be committing an offence under section 444 of the Education Act 1996.

- A referral with our School Welfare Officer will be issued where a child has had 10 sessions of unauthorised absence.

- The Local Authority has the authority to issue penalty notices on behalf of the school if a child has 10 sessions of unauthorised absence.

- As a result, if a child of school age has at least 5 days unauthorised absence during a 10 week period, we will be initiating the procedure that could result in penalty notices being issued to parents.

Failure to pay the penalty notice may result in court action.

No leave of absence will be authorised except for in exceptional circumstances and this is at the discretion of the Head teacher. Additionally, if you report that your child is absent due to illness, but we have reasonable reason to doubt the accuracy of this statement, we will be within our rights to request evidence from your child's doctor confirming the illness. If your child is having any problems that you feel are affecting their attendance, please speak with your child's class teacher or Mr Nicholls.

DIARY DATES

Autumn Term 2019

Tuesday 19th November, 3:10pm - Football/Netball v Foxhole (A)

Wednesday 20th November, 12:30, Year 5 to Brannel to watch Bugsy Malone.

Wednesday 20th November, 1:30pm - School Open Event

Thursday 21st November, 9:30am - School Open Event

Friday 22nd November, 9:15am - Year 4 trip to Wheal Martyn

Tuesday 26th November, 3:30pm - Year 5/6 Football/Netball at home against St Stephen.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr M Nicholls, Headteacher

