

# NANPEAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Friday 26th April 2024



## Dates for the Diary

- Monday 6th May : Early May Bank Holiday - School closed.
- Monday 13th - Thursday 16th May : Year 6 SATs week.
- Friday 17th May : Parents Forum @ 9am
- Monday 27th - Friday 31st May : Half Term

## Head Teacher Weekly Update

It was lovely to finally see some sunshine last weekend and this week at times (especially at the start of the week).

It was great to see Summer Term extra-curricular activities (often referred to as 'clubs') beginning this week, and I enjoyed the first session of my 'club' (Athletics) after school today (as I write this on Thursday evening). I often compare our offer to that of other schools, and feel we offer a good range of opportunities and experiences, at no additional cost to families, and these are often better than, or at least on a par with, schools that are much bigger than us.

This week has been a strange week, as I was not in school for nearly two full days (Monday and Wednesday) this week.

This was due to me being at other schools within our trust (TPAT) as part of the partnership where Headteacher's visit other schools to network and share ideas, and to support other schools regarding school improvement.

On Monday, we had our weekly staff meeting (instead of Wednesday) as this was the Trust Behaviour Lead sharing ideas and expectations in relation to the TPAT Behaviour Policy, which is about to be released and will then be adapted at school before being approved by Governors. Once this is complete, I will let parents know that it has been updated and is available on our website.

On Tuesday, the Trust SEND Lead visited school for his termly visit. This was positive in relation to provision, while also giving a few further ideas that will now be actioned by Miss Morrison as SENDCo, in conjunction with class teacher.

When I returned to school on Wednesday, I had a meeting with Grammarsaurus in relation to Curriculum planning and beginning to think about the next academic year (beginning in September 2024).

Unfortunately, this busy start to the week meant that I didn't send out Curriculum Learning Maps for this term until the end of the week instead of nearer the beginning of the week as originally planned. These were sent via Class Dojo and also will be available on our website by the end of next week. I always enjoy reading these and sharing them with the school community so that you are able to see what children will be learning and experiencing this term.

At the time of writing (Thursday evening), I am looking forward to meeting with our Chair of Governors (Mark Tucker) tomorrow, as we try to catch up every few weeks, so this is our first meeting of the Summer Term.

I hope that all families have a lovely weekend. Best wishes,

Mr M Nicholls (Headteacher).

## ATTENDANCE

Eden - 95%

Hendra - 91.5%

Prosper - 98%

Melbur - 95.3%

Drinnick - 96.6%

Rosemellyn - 95.3%



## 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 - Bethany** - for brilliant writing about the enormous turnip.
- **Hendra - Lara** - for working so hard in all of her lessons and for participating, with great enthusiasm, in all our class discussions and learning.
- **Prosper - Max** for settling in well at Nanpean School.
- **Melbur - Reggi** - for determination in story writing.
- **Drinnick - Dylan** - for his dedication and attitude to all areas of his learning.
- **Rosemellyn - Archie H** - for excellent tutoring of adding mixed number fractions and supporting after school clubs.



## 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:**

**Toby (Rosemellyn)** - for always being kind and helpful to everyone.

Toby never fails to notice when someone, adult or child, needs his help.

Thank you for being such a polite and caring member of Nanpean.



## 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



**This Weeks Sports Star Award goes to:**

**Paige (Drinnick)** - for outstanding defending, stick work and coordination in hockey club.

## Housepoints

| Class               | Godrevey (Green) | Lizard (Yellow) | Pendeen (Blue) | Trevoze (Red) | Wolf Rock (Purple) |
|---------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|--------------------|
| Eden                | 11               | 18              | 10             | 10            | 14                 |
| Hendra              | 18               | 10              | 21             | 19            | 16                 |
| Prosper             | 17               | 17              | 17             | 18            | 13                 |
| Melbur              | 28               | 24              | 37             | 39            | 28                 |
| Drinnick            | 23               | 22              | 15             | 17            | 18                 |
| Rosemellyn          | 12               | 11              | 10             | 11            | 13                 |
| <b>Whole School</b> | <b>109</b>       | <b>102</b>      | <b>110</b>     | <b>114</b>    | <b>102</b>         |
| <b>Term Total</b>   | <b>249</b>       | <b>246</b>      | <b>251</b>     | <b>259</b>    | <b>237</b>         |

**THIS WEEK, TREVOZE (RED) ARE IN THE LEAD WITH 259 POINTS, FOLLOWED BY PENDEEN (BLUE) WITH 251 POINTS IN SECOND AND GODREVEY (GREEN) IN THIRD WITH 249 POINTS.**

# Parents Forum

The Parents Forum meeting for this half term, where parents can meet with Mr Nicholls to discuss positives and areas for development in relation to Nanpean School, is at 9am on Friday 17th May. Please add this date to your diary and I look forward to meeting with parents then.

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# Sports Kit 'Borrow Bag'

We are trying to collate a bag of equipment that can be used for children when they have forgotten sports kit. We would be extremely grateful of any donations of sports kit (that your child has grown out of), including football boots. Please drop any donations in to Miss Tucker / Mrs Houston and these will be gratefully received.



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# Weekly Home Debate

This week, the weekly debate asks if religious studies should be kept out of schools. Please access this via the link below (this was also posted on Class Dojo at the beginning of the week) and is sent to children and parents to encourage families to discuss topical issues.

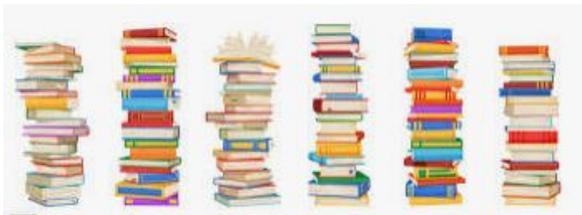
<https://bigdebateclub.com/debate/should-religious-studies-be-kept-out-of-schools/>

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 it is wrong for devices to track you. Many people said that it is completely wrong, as our lives should be private, and I completely agree!

## Thank you!!!

We would like to say a huge THANK YOU to Mrs Hancock for her very generous donation of books for our School Library. We truly appreciate your kindness!



# INSET Days 2024/25

Just before Easter, I started to think about INSET Days for the next academic year (2024-25). I always like to share these with parents as soon as possible. These are not set yet, and won't be until May or June, but advance notice that I expect our INSET Days for 2024-25 to be: Tuesday 3rd September, 2024; Wednesday 4th September, 2024; Monday 4th November, 2024 (TPAT INSET Day); Monday 6th January, 2025; and Friday 6th June, 2025. I hope this advance notice of our expected INSET Days helps parents to plan childcare, etc... on these days when school is closed to children.



## Age Restricted Media

We would like to remind all parents / carers and children to be cautious when using any age restricted apps such as Facebook, WhatsApp, Snap Chat etc.

Any app with an age restriction, should only be used by the age group suggested. These restrictions are in place to safeguard all users.

## Dodgeball

Yesterday we took teams from Years 3/4 and 5/6 to a qualifying dodgeball tournament for the Summer games at Brannel School. Both teams finished second. Years 5/6 qualified for the finals which will be held at a later date. All children had a great time and learnt lots of new disdgebale skills.

# Rosemellyn Incinerator Visit

"Year 6 recently visited the Cornish Economic Recycling Centre in St Dennis. The incinerator processes and burns the waste collected from all over Cornwall, and can get up to 2200 degrees Celsius. It can turn waste into energy that powers our electric items such as internet, cookers and fridges. Most of the time it burns hazardous things such as soils, sludges and oils, or non recyclable items." – Rianon – Rosemellyn Class



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