

5th July 2019 Virtue of the week — Acceptance

HEAD OF SCHOOL UPDATE

Staffing

I would like to confirm with you our class teachers for September are as follows: Year R — Mr Masters Year 1 — Mrs Patterson Year 2 — Mrs Kitching Year 3 — Ms Speight (am) / Mr BD (pm) Year 4 — Mr Kay Year 5 — Mr Pascoe Year 6 — Mrs Law

Current year group teachers have held transition meetings with their classes teacher for September. During the afternoon of Thursday 11th July, from 2pm onwards, we will be holding a parent afternoon where you are welcome to speak to your child/children's current class teacher and also speak with your child/children's new class teachers for September. Please sign in and out at the main school office. Thank you.

Year 5 have had a busy week this week starting with attending the first West Hub Spirited Arts day in Lelant with children from St Uny and Penryn. The children experienced a range of activities to inspire them and think about the "big questions". On the walk to the sand dunes, the children located key features on an OS map and related the symbols to the spectacular view from the dunes.

They discussed plant succession and the best ways to minimise the impact of human activity on the dunes. In the church the children learned about the last supper and how Christians communicate with God. At the heritage centre, the children learned about the war graves and Celtic crosses before finding rare plant species that grow in the cemetery.

On Tuesday they went on an educational visit to Argal Reservoir where the children learned how the South West Lakes Trust help to manage the site for people to enjoy whilst also providing a continual source of water for the local people. The children made clay animals, searched for mini-beasts and went fishing in the lake.

Also on Tuesday we were visited by a group from SACRE (Standing Advisery Council for Religious Education). SACRE advise the local education authority on RE provision within schools. The group visited Connor Downs to review the provision within our academy and were impressed with the children's learning outcomes and praised Connor Downs for demonstrating a broad understanding of religious beliefs from around the UK.

On Wednesday this week we held our sports morning. It was wonderful to see so many parents/ carers join us in supporting our amazing children as they took part in a variety of events culminating in the traditional sprint races. Congratulations to all the children who took part and a special congratulations to the Blue Team who narrowly came out on top with the most number of points!



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Thursday saw us welcome our new Reception class children starting in September, for their second transition session which included a lunch with their parents and a stay and play session. This can be a slightly overwhelming experience for some children, but all the children settled happily into the session with Mr Master and Mrs Ham. We look forward to welcoming the children again on Wednesday 10th July between 10am and 11.30am for their final transition session.

Mrs Eddy

Reminders

Monday 8th—KS2 1st performance—6pm Tuesday 9th—KS2 2nd performance—6pm Thursday 11th—Parents afternoon—2pm Friday 12th—EYFS & KS1 Fun night & Year 2 sleepover Monday 22nd—Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.30am Monday 22nd—Year 6 Leavers Prom at St Ives Harbour Hotel - 6pm Tuesday 23rd—Year R Graduation—2.30pm Wednesday 24th—Year 6 Leavers Service at Phillack Church—10am Wednesday 24th July— Final Day of Summer Term— 2pm finish

KS2 Performance—Cinderella Rockafella



Today, tickets have been sent home to all those who have purchased them. Both evenings are now full, so we hope you will enjoy the shows. Refreshments will be available to purchase during the intervals on each night.

ATTENDANCE

Our school target for attendance is 96%.

1st Place	Year 1	99.6 %
2nd Place	Year 5	99 %
3rd Place	Year 4	98.6 %

SHINE AWARDS



Our next Shine Assembly is on **Friday 12th July** , at 2.40pm. Parents of the children below are warmly invited to attend.



Please come along to main reception no earlier than 2.35pm. A special well done to:

Reception	Тоby	For consistently striving to challenge himself and improve his learning outcomes independently, producing some
Year 1	Ashton	For showing greater confidence and understanding when reading and writing about different animals from around the
Year 2	Flora	For the care an thought that you put into your writing especially the way you engage the reader with vocabulary
Year 3	Callum	For shining out when supporting adults and children in class in a calm and mature manner.
Year 4	Izzie	For always giving 100% in her work, together with singing and dancing so incredibly well for our KS2 practices.
Year 5	Hayden	For catching and returning his fish safely at Argal Reservoir.
Year 6	Ashton D	For his excellent organisation and support of the younger children on sports day.
Writer of the week	Archie Year R	For his determination to improve his handwriting. When creating a self-portrait for Mrs Patterson, his new teacher,
YR & KS1 Reader of the week	Seth Year 2	For excellent reading ability across a range of genres and detailed explanations during reading comprehension tasks.
KS2 Reader of the week	Fred Year 6	For his detailed, thoughtful responses during a reading comprehension exercise focusing on the Jewish celebration
Mathematician of the week	Zach Year 4	For amazing maths, using his reasoning skills when multiplying 2 digit numbers together with 1 digit.
Performer of the week	Annika Year 3	For stepping in to speak to special visitors about RE at short notice.
Citizen of the week	Reuban Year 1	For being incredibly kind and thoughtful to a child feeling a little sad.