



HEAD OF SCHOOL UPDATE



Last week, as part of the #EatThemToDefeatThem campaign, Reception enjoyed a visit from a local Asda colleague, Jenna. Jenna encouraged the children to think about the importance of eating fruits and vegetables and provided an afternoon of exciting activities. The children enjoyed creating their own superhero vegetables and decorating their own cress heads. The EYFS team and the Reception children would like to give a big 'firework clap' to both Jenna and Asda for this visit.



Monday saw the start to a very busy week, with our year 5/6 football team taking on Trevithick at home. Both teams played well in tricky conditions, with our visitors coming out as 2—1 winners on the day. We are very proud of all the team for the effort they showed, giving everything in a game they deserved to get something from.



On Tuesday, our year 3/4 swimmers competed in the Penwith Gala, held at Penzance Leisure Centre. All 9 swimmers were a real credit to themselves and our Academy, giving their all and displaying great support and behaviour. We ended up with 4 individual medals and 2 team medals and a record number of finals reached. Many congratulations to you all—we are very proud of all your achievements.



We would like to thank all those parents/carers who were able to attend the parent consultations this week. Year 4 parent consultations will take place next week, on Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th March at the times previously booked. Thank you for your understanding.

On Thursday we celebrated World Book Day, where children and staff were invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. To mark this special event and in line with this year's theme: 'Share a Million Stories', children from Class R, KS1 and KS2 joined together to share their favourite stories. It was lovely to see the wonder and delight on their faces as they were immersed in the wonderful stories shared. We would like to thank parents and carers for supporting this event. We would also like to extend a big thank you to the Friends of Connor Downs Academy for organising a cake sale to mark the occasion and to all those parents who took to the kitchen to bake and to those who came along and purchased the yummy cakes. The cake sale raised an incredible £74. All proceeds from the day will go towards new books for the library.

Coronavirus Guidance

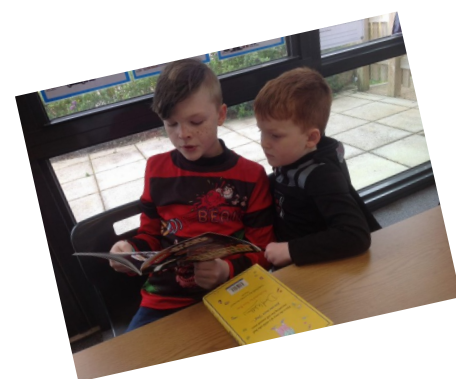
Guidance on the Coronavirus is available on the main Aspire website and can be accessed via the following link; <http://www.aspireacademytrust.org/1434/coronavirus-guidance>

Sport Relief



Next Friday, 13th March is Sport Relief and we are inviting children to come to school wearing sports clothes in return for a £1 donation, payable via ParentPay. Children will be able to take part in a number of fun sporting activities during the day.

Mrs Eddy



Diary Dates

Tuesday 10th March—Science morning for parents—year R (9:15am—9.45am) And years 1—6 inclusive (9:15am—10:30am)

Wednesday 18th March—Friends of Connor Downs Easter Bingo—3:30pm in the hall, with eyes down at 3:45pm

Monday 23rd March—Deadline for Homework Grid tasks to be handed in to classes

Wednesday 25th March—Year 6 SATs meeting for parents 3:30pm in year 6 classroom

Thursday 26th March—Homework Grid tasks displayed in the hall for parents from 3:30pm—4:00pm

Friday 27th March—Easter Egg Raffle in classes

Friday 27th March—Last Day of term—**2pm FINISH**



Easter Egg Raffle & Easter Bingo

We are once again holding our popular Easter Egg Raffle and are asking parents/carers for donations of Easter Eggs. The draw will take place in classes on the last day of term, Friday 27th March and raffle tickets will be available to buy in classes on the day, at a cost of 20p per ticket. As in previous years, to ensure fairness, we will allow a maximum of 10 tickets per child (£2).



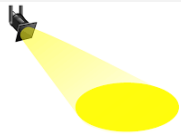
Also a reminder that the Friends of Connor Downs Academy will be hosting their annual, Easter Bingo on Wednesday 18th March with eyes down at 3:45pm. Games suitable for all ages with hotdogs and refreshments available.

ATTENDANCE

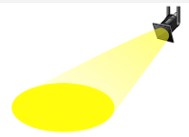
Our school target for attendance is 96%.

1st Place	Year 2	97.5%
2nd Place	Year 1	96.4%

SHINE AWARDS



Our next Shine Assembly is on **Friday 13th March**, 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	Tegen	For impressing all of the adults in Reception with her super attitude towards her learning.
Year 1	Ellawyn	For super participating in all areas of the curriculum, particularly her maths, learning how to measure classroom objects.
Year 2	Jake	For hard work and enthusiastic writing using spelling strategies to make his work clear.
Year 3	Seth	For brilliant work with maths reasoning in money.
Year 4	Eve	For her excellent attitude towards her learning and consistent immaculate presentation.
Year 5	Tru	For making a great improvement with recording her reading and producing a script for replay at home.
Year 6	Otis	For showing great leadership skills when pasty making, writing a great set of instructions and improving maths skills.
Writer of the week	Yannis Year 5	For designing an advert for 17th century cosmetics using fabulous language as an extra homework task.
YR & KS1 Reader of the week	Jacob H Year R	For making fantastic progress in phonics. Jacob works hard to learn all of his sounds and enjoys practising them in his reading books.
KS2 Reader of the week	Holly Year 4	For speaking loudly and clearly when presenting an explanation about sound with her group.
Mathematician of the week	Layla Year 3	For great work multiplying a 2 digit number by a single digit using the written method.
Performer of the week	Kerra Year 1	For singing and performing a song from her play in front of the whole class.
Citizen of the week	Rowan Year 6	For outstanding leadership skills and showing his thoughtful nature when working with year 1 this week.