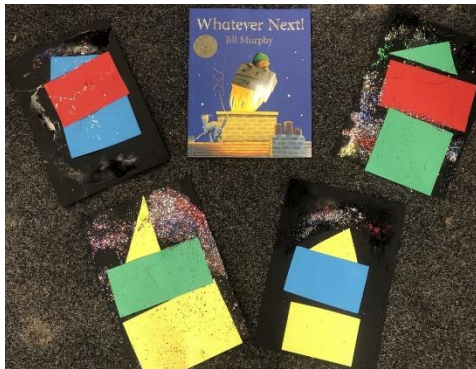


Friday 15th October 2021

Dear parents/carers,

I hope that you and your families are well. We have had another busy and exciting week!

Year R World Space Week



3...2...1...Blast off!

Last week, in celebration of World Space Week, Reception enjoyed sharing the story 'Whatever Next?' by Jill Murphy. In the story, Baby Bear uses his imagination to travel to the moon in a rocket. He even meets an alien!

Inspired by Baby Bear's creativity, the children enjoyed creating unique rocket collages, using primary colours to create a repeating pattern.



During their playful learning time, the children also enjoyed participating in a building challenge, using stimuli to construct rockets and space stations in the block provision. This was a fantastic way for the children to

practise teamwork, develop their resilience and learn all about the properties of 3D shapes.



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Head of School: Mrs J Eddy



On Tuesday and Wednesday this week, we were delighted to finally be able to welcome Liam, from M & M Theatrical Productions into school to put on a performance, ably assisted by a very large interactive screen and multiple other actors based around the country to put on 6 performances of The Wizard of Oz. Each of our classes from Years 1 to 6 enjoyed a 65 minute class performance spread over the two days. This amazing opportunity was funded by the Friends of Connor Downs Academy, to whom we would like to say a massive thank you for all their efforts and support.



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Parent/Carer Consultations

A reminder that parent/carers consultations will take place on the evenings of Tuesday 19th October and Wednesday 20th October, with meetings available in 10 minute slots between 3:30pm and 6:10pm each evening. To book a consultation with your child/ren's teacher/s, please do so using the Arbor App. Bookings will **close at 5:00pm on Sunday 17th October**.

The consultations will take place in your child/s classroom/s, with books available outside of the classroom/s for you to review while waiting. Please remain in the corridor until you are called into the classroom. We would ask that:

- Each parent takes a Lateral Flow Test on the day of the appointment
- You arrive no more than 10 minutes before your appointment time
- All parents/carers sanitise hands on arrival at the main school reception
- Wear face masks at all times while on site unless exempt.
- Remain socially distanced as much as possible from other parents/carers

Year 6 Prefects

Today, in our online Shine assembly we proudly presented our Year 6 prefects with their badges. We would like to wish them all well in their roles and look forward to seeing them supporting our younger children around the school. Congratulations to all our Prefects. Next week we will be announcing our Head and Deputy Head Prefects.

Thank You!

We would like to say a big thank you to the families of George and Isla and Beth, William and Sophie, for their kind donations of a selection of magazines which will help to enrich our class libraries. Thank you from all the children and staff!



Drop off/pick up procedures:

We politely ask that you continue to socially distance and **wear a mask at the gates and on site**. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

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**CHANCE
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Chance to Shine Cricket

We are delighted to invite Piran Kent (level 2 cricket coach) to Connor Downs Academy to provide a six-week block of cricket coaching.

Chance to Shine is a national charity that aims to give all children the opportunity to play, learn and develop through cricket. They believe that cricket can help to develop the personal, social and physical skills of the 500,000 children that they work with every year.

	Year 3	Year 2	Year 6	Year 1
Tuesdays	9:15-10:15	10:45-11:45pm	13:05-14:05	14:15-3:15

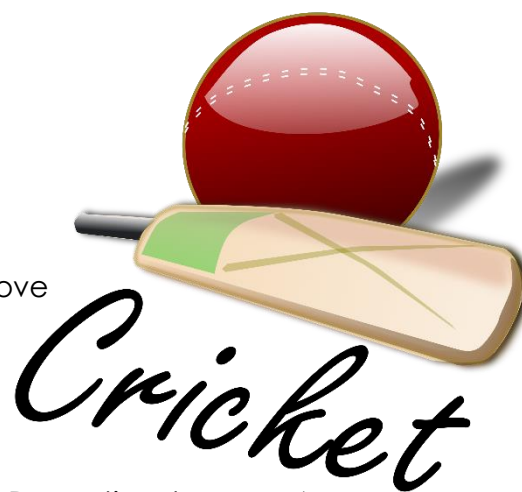
Tuesday 19th October
Tuesday 2nd November
Tuesday 9th November
Tuesday 16th November
Tuesday 23rd November
Tuesday 30th November

On the above dates, the four year groups detailed above will need to wear their PE kit, as well as on their normal PE day.

Annual Nasal Flu Immunisations

A reminder that all children in Primary Schools from Reception to year 6 (inclusive) are being offered the nasal flu vaccination. The Kernow Health Schools Immunisation Team are visiting Connor Downs Academy on **Tuesday 2nd November** to administer the vaccinations. The vaccinations will only be given to those children whose parents have consented. If **no consent form** has been submitted by a parent to the Immunisations Team, they will **not** administer the vaccine.

To access the online consent form, please refer to the letter previously emailed to all parents/carers and also attached to the email with this newsletter. The online consent form will close at **midday on Thursday 21st October**.



Transfer to Secondary School



Together
for Families

The
deadline for
applications is
31 October
2021

Transfer to secondary school September 2022

Applying for a place in year seven at a secondary school

Information and guidance

Website and application form: www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

Email: schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk

Post: School Admissions Team, County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY

Telephone: 0300 1234 101

Need help with your application?

Contact the Family Information Service on 0800 587 8191



www.cornwall.gov.uk

Applying for a secondary school place for September 2022

Special Educational Needs

If an Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plan has been issued for your child you do not need to complete an application form. Please contact the Statutory SEN Service for more information: Tel: 01872 324242 Email: statutorysen@cornwall.gov.uk

1 Decide on your preferred schools

You are strongly advised to name **three** preferences on the application form. **Naming a second or third preference does not give you any less chance of getting a place at your preferred school.** When making your decision you should...

...think about **how your child will get to school.** Go to www.cornwall.gov.uk/schooltransport for more information on whether your child would be entitled to transport to school.

...look at the **admission arrangements** on our website that will be used to allocate places for each school.

...consider naming your **nearest or designated school** as one of your preferences. You can find your nearest or designated school on our website.

...look at the detailed **admissions information** on our website, also available on request.

2 Submit your application by 31 October 2021

Apply online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

3 Wait to find out which school you have been allocated

If you applied on time you will be notified of your allocation on **National Offer Day: 1 March 2022. Apply on time!** Late applications will only be dealt with after National Offer Day and there may not be any places left at your preferred schools.

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Attendance		
Our school target for attendance is 96%		
1 st Place	Year 6	97.8 %
2 nd Place	Year 2	97.7 %
3 rd Place	Year R	97.6 %

Shine Celebrations

Please see below our Shining Stars for this week.

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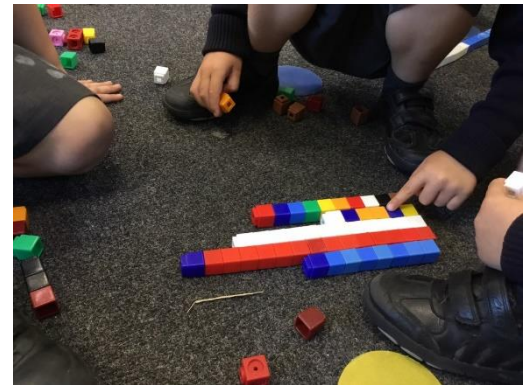
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Year R – Evelyn

For being a marvellous mathematician and working hard to develop her understanding of measurement. Evelyn worked as part of a team to construct models and compare their length and height.



Year 1 – Tommy

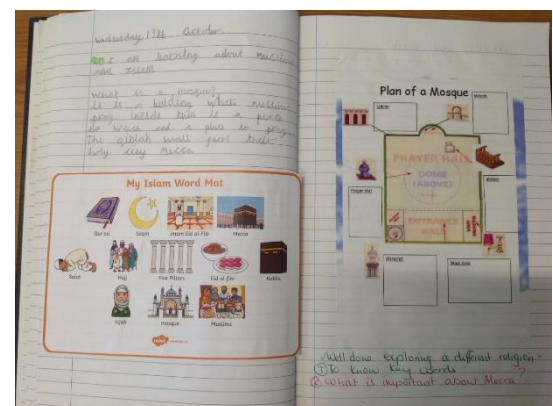
Tommy's enthusiasm during PE is inspiring. Tommy tackles any activity and is not afraid to keep practising when trying new things. Well done Tommy, keep it up!

Year 2 – Isaac

For your wonderful RE work, in particular your use of key vocabulary and interest in other religions.

Year 3 – Harry

For showing great skill when playing hockey. Harry could confidently control the ball with the hockey stick around a set of cones, showing fantastic skills. Well done Harry!



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Year 4 – Lenny

For his colourful and creative portrait inspired by Giuseppe Arcimboldo.

Year 5 – Zak

For his bravery, determination and improvement in swimming this week.

Year 6 – Macey

For the care you have been putting into your lessons this term, especially in reading. Your focus and drive to do your best is fantastic to see. You are an inspiration to the rest of the class. Keep up the great work!

Performer of the Week

Holly in Year 4

This is awarded for recording the greatest number of steps in a week using the new Moki Fitness trackers. Holly's total was 31,336 steps. Well done Holly!

Kind Regards,



Mrs Eddy
Head of School

