

Head of School: Mrs J Eddy

Friday 6th May 2022

Dear parents/carers,

I hope that you and your families are safe and well and enjoyed the bank holiday weekend. We have had a very busy and exciting week in our academy.



Connor Downs Academy were invited, along with other local schools to enter some art work into a competition held on behalf of George Eustice MP. The work was displayed at the Camborne Conservative office during the

week leading up to and on the very exciting Trevithick Day. We hope you will agree that the display looks amazing and we are so proud of all the children who took part.



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### **KS1 Rapid Fire Cricket Festival**

On Wednesday, a group of Year 1 and Year 2 children attended a Rapid Fire Cricket Festival, held at Mount Ambrose Cricket Club. They learnt batting and fielding skills and played in groups along with other children from other local primary schools. The children all had lots of fun, despite the inclement weather, and made all the adults accompanying them very proud with their behaviour.

### Year 6 SATs

A reminder to all parents/carers of our Year 6 pupils, that next week your child will sit their SATs assessments between Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May. It is imperative that your child attends school on each and every day to ensure they are able to take these



assessments. Thank you for your support and if you have any questions, please email <a href="mailto:hello@connordowns.org.uk">hello@connordowns.org.uk</a> and a member of the Year 6 team will get back to you. I am sure you will join me in wishing all the Year 6 pupils the very best of luck for next week. They have all worked so hard this year and we are all so proud of you!



Year 6 received a special message this week, from Harry Bazalgette, fly half for the Cornish Pirates rugby team. He recorded a video to motivate and inspire the children ahead of their SATs next week. It was very well-received by the whole class. Thank you Harry and everyone at the Cornish Pirates.

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### **Tempest School Photographs**

A reminder that Tempest will be coming into school on **Monday 16h May** to take class photographs. Please ensure your child is wearing their full school uniform, including black school shoes. Thank you.





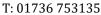
### **New Member of Connor Downs Academy Family**

Sadly, over the Easter holidays, one of our beloved rabbits, Storm, passed away. Thanks to Maria's Animal Shelter, we were able to find a friend for Cindy, to keep her company. Cindy was taken to Maria's where she spent some time bonding with the new rabbit and they got on like a 'house on fire'! We were delighted this week to be able to welcome both rabbits back to begin their friendship at Connor Downs Academy. We would like to introduce you

all to Zinc. Zinc is 10 months old and is already a huge hit with all the staff and children.







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## Samba Band Opportunity



If your child is in Year 5 or Year 6 and you are interested in them being part of the Samba Band, please sign up using the following link as soon as possible.

https://forms.gle/g7UcjSXGBwZEo7jv8

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### **Hayle Cricket Club Junior Sessions**

**U13s&15s Hardball (years 7, 8, 9 & 10)** – starting Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May – 6pm to 7.30pm – just turn up

**Girls (years 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11 separate session**) - starting Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May – 6pm to 7.30pm – just turn up

**U11s Hardball (Years 4,5&6)** - starting Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May – 6pm to 7.30pm – just turn up

All Stars Aged 5 to 8 - (Softball for Years R,1,2&3) – starting Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June - Book via this link - ClubSpark / All Stars / Course

Dynamos Aged 8 to 11 - (Softball for Years 3,4,5&6)

- starting Tuesday 7th June Book via this link
- ClubSpark / Dynamos / Course

### Children's Hospice South West Rainbow Run – Saturday 18th June at RAF St Mawgan



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### Welcome to this month's newsletter

Hopefully the worst of the wet and windy Cornish winter is behind us now and we can look forward to some spring sunshine and a long sunny summer!

With thoughts of hot lazy days on the beach and out having fun in the sun, now is a good time to start think about protecting your skin from the sun. Just 10 minutes of strong sunshine is enough to burn pale skin. If you have lots of moles or freckles, fair or red hair or light-coloured eyes you will also need to take more care in the sun.

Always use a sun cream with an SPF 30+. UV radiation from the sun can damage your skin and could lead to skin cancer having severe sunburn in childhood can increase the risk, choose a sun cream has a 4- or 5-star UVA rating to help protect your skin. Is your sun cream in date? Sun cream past its expiry date will not be as effective and could put you at risk of sunburn.





#### Five simple steps for keeping skin safe in the sun

- 1. SLIP on a shirt preferably long sleeved with a collar
- 2. SLOP on some cream apply liberally before going out in the sun and reapply regularly
- 3. SLAP on a hat make sure it's got a wide brim
- 4. SLIDE on some sunglasses
- 5. SEEK some shade especially between 11am and 3pm

Check your shadow the suns UV rays are strongest and more likely to burn and damage skin when your shadow is shorter than you.

For Referral to School Nurse

Phone: 01872 322779 Email: hvsnadvice@Cornwall.gov.uk

Web Info: www.cornwall.gov.uk/schoolnursing

### **Attendance**

<u>Attendance</u>		
Our school target for		
attendance is 96%		
1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Year 3	100.0 %
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Year 1	99.0 %
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Year R	98.0 %

### **Shine Celebrations**

Please see below our Shining Stars for this week.

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## Connor Downs Academy Shining Stars Friday 6th May 2022



We are delighted to be able to invite the parents/carers of the winners below to join us at next week's Shine assembly, on **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May** to see their child receive their certificate.

Please come along to the main reception **no earlier than 2:35pm**. A special well done to:

### Year R - Piran

For sharing his knowledge and enthusiasm of minibeasts with the rest of the class.

### Year 1 - Toby

For giving 100% effort in all his work and for reading at home every night.

### Year 2 - Idy

For always giving 100% in his lessons despite sometimes finding them tricky, but never giving up.

### Year 3 - William

For consistent effort in reading comprehension showing super independence skills to edit and respond his answers.

### Year 4 - Mia

For working so hard to improve her handwriting. Keep up the great effort Mia!

### Year 5 – Harry

For his immaculate presentation and ability to improve his work with his red responses.

### Year 6 - Olivia BS

For the superb progress you have made over this year with your arithmetic skills in maths. Well done!

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## Writer - Ellawyn (Year 3)

For using excellent adjectives and verbs writing a legend about St George.

### EYFS/KS1 Reader – Remy (Year R)

For showing fantastic progress with his phonics work. Remy is reading and writing words with greater confidence.

### KS2 Reader – Violet (Year 4)

For her increased reading at home and progress in moving up levels as a result. Mrs Crease is very proud of her progress. Well done.

### Mathematician – Zachary (Year 1)

His effort and enthusiasm in maths is excellent. Zachary is able to work with incredible accuracy and speed.

### Performer – Jacob H (Year 2)

For his amazing efforts in cricket this week despite being nervous about going and being such a kind and supportive team player to all of his friends.

### Moki Fitness Tracker – Hunter (Year 3)

For recording the greatest number of steps in a week using the Moki Fitness Trackers. Hunter's total was 40,196 steps. Well done Hunter!

### Citizen – Beth (Year 5)

For being a kind friend in class and always being willing to help everyone with a big smile on her face.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Eddy

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