



Spring Term 2024: Newsletter 6  
Thursday 28th March 2024

# MOUNT CHARLES SCHOOL



We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 15th April at 8.25am. We would like to wish you all a very happy Easter.

## EYFS

As part of their Traditional Tales focus, EYFS have been growing magic beanstalks. The children have used rulers to measure and compare the growth of their bean. There was a lot of discussion about how we care for plants and the life cycle of flowers, fruits and vegetables. They have now been taken home to thrive in the children's care - we hope they reach the clouds soon!



## YEAR 1

In Year 1, the children were tasked to make a London bus with wheels, axles and axle holders. Thank you to all the parents who sent in boxes to help us facilitate this activity. The outcomes are excellent and the children are looking forward to taking their moving buses home!



## YEAR 2

Year 2 have been preparing for a siege, building catapults to launch projectiles over castle walls. They conducted an investigation to determine whether a catapult or a trebuchet would launch a projectile the furthest distance. The children found that a trebuchet was better because it was more springy and had a longer arm to launch the projectile further.



## YEAR 3

This week the children have made their tarts with the fruit and vegetables they selected. They learnt how to cut their fruit and vegetables and roll out pastry. They all did a fantastic job.



## YEAR 4

Year 4 have been learning about mountains and brave mountaineers! As part of design and technology, the children have been analysing different water bottles. They discussed which material and shape would be suitable for mountain climbing. Using computers, the children then began to create their designs that would suit all walkers!

## YEAR 5

Year 5 enjoyed an amazing day of languages at Penrice last week. They watched a play in French and got treated to pain au chocolate. With the help of Penrice students, they then played 'Guess Who?' in French and Spanish. They rounded off the day with a short lesson in French, Spanish and Mandarin. The children loved learning about languages and talked with excitement about the choices they will make when they go to secondary school.

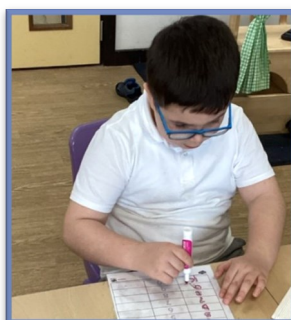


## YEAR 6

In art, Year 6 have been studying Pablo Picasso. They have been exploring the world of conceptual art and how cubism and exaggeration feature in Picasso's work. During their explore phase, they experimented with changing the shapes of facial features to create distortions and how colour can reflect mood within an image. This week, they worked hard to create a 3D model using a toilet roll. We think you'll agree - the results are fantastic!

## ARB

The children in the ARB have had an amazing term. They have been observing the changes brought about by spring, learning phonic sounds and using these to spell and read, practicing their letter formation and their sentence writing. The children have been exploring how to be a good friend and discussed their likes and dislikes.



# SPORTS

On Friday, our Year 3 and 4 Girls football team travelled to Bodmin Dragon Centre for the finals of the Cornwall school games. What a great achievement by the team to make it this far.

They played 6 matches against other schools from all over the county and the whole team rotated positions and all took turns to be goalkeeper. Some very close games and everyone played so well. Well done all!



On Tuesday, a group of Year 3 and 4 footballers travelled to Biscovey School to play a friendly match. For some of these children, this was their first taste of playing a football match. They all did so well, the final score was 1-1, with our goal being scored by Olly. The team did really well and were a credit to Mount Charles.

Our fantastic 5, who had qualified for this year's Cross Country County Finals, travelled to Newquay sports Centre to compete against the best runners from all over Cornwall. The weather was not great, with very heavy rain making conditions extra challenging.

Well done to all the children who took part. With almost 100 children in each race this is always one of the hardest events so well done all!



# MUSIC

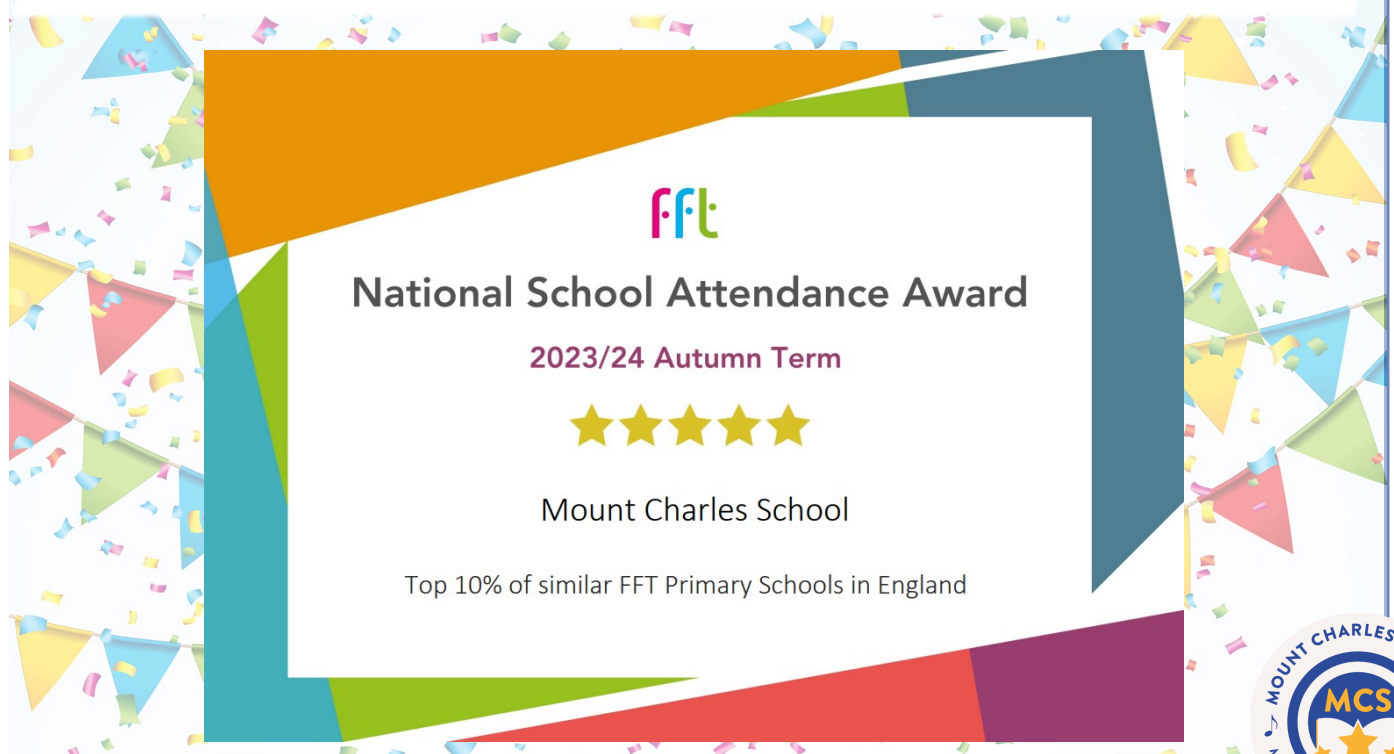
A selection of children from our choir took part in Songfest at St Petroc's Church in Bodmin. They performed 8 sea shanties alongside other schools and a live band to a church full of parents. A great musical evening was had by all!





**Attendance:** Attendance for the school year so far is 95.4% - well done! This is an improvement on last year's attendance and we are getting closer to our target of 96.7% - which is fantastic! Thank you to everyone; parents, carers and pupils for your continued support. Excellent attendance has a positive impact on the children's learning and relationships with each other. Being in school every day really makes a difference.

**Class Attendance Winners:** The attendance trophy and extra break time went last week to **6JT** with **99.1%**. This week's joint winners are **RDH** and **2HM** with **97.7%**. Well done to both classes! Our whole school attendance for this week is **94.8%**.



# REMINDEERS

## Summer Term Uniform

Grey shorts, trousers, skirt or pinafore with black shoes & grey socks or tights.

Blue & white checked summer dress with white socks.

KS2 are able to wear white polo shirt instead of shirt & tie.

With our unpredictable weather, please send your child in with a named coat every day.

**Arriving at and leaving the school site:** Please can we remind families to be respectful of our neighbours when arriving and leaving the school site.

**FOOD HYGIENE RATING** The new menus for the Summer Term are now live on ParentPay, meaning you are now able to book through to the end of the school year.



**Charlie's Wraparound Club** - After Easter, all bookings **MUST** be made on ParentPay prior to attending. Your child's place will not be confirmed without booking in advance.

If you need help logging into ParentPay, please contact the school office.

## Celebrating



Yr1— Stanley, Filip, Jack, Levi

Yr2— Ted, Tabitha, Georgia, Ayaz

Yr3— Theo, Floyd, Arrietty, Luyanda

Yr4— Alex, Brooklyn, Sennen. Misha

Yr5— Maisie, Jessie, Declan, Emily

Yr6— Noah, Jack, Lola, Abe

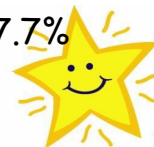
Sport Superstar— Sennen, Olly

## Success

Our attendance trophy was won by:

This week: RDH & 2HM with 97.7%

Last week: 6JT 99.1%



# Attendance!



# TOP THREE!



## Biggest improvement in accuracy in last 14 days:

- 1st place: Lola Ballinger
- 2nd place: Billy Ballinger
- 3rd place: Conner Fallick

## Most correct answers given over the last 14 days:



- 1st place: Brynley Gilbert
- 2nd place: Jake Lightfoot
- 3rd place: William Gascoigne

## Biggest improvement in studio speed over the last 14 days:

- 1st place: Jaiden Cockson
- 2nd place: Summer Mann
- 3rd place: Willow Wheat



# TOP THREE!

## Biggest increase in number of minutes played in the last 14 days:

- 1st place: Emily Domeroy
- 2nd place: Jonny Abbott
- 3rd place: Mason Murray



## Biggest increase in correct answers in the last 14 days:

- 1st place: Emily Domeroy
- 2nd place: Jonny Abbott
- 3rd place: Mason Murray

## Highest improvement in accuracy in the last 14 days:

- 1st place: Lily McFarlane
- 2nd place: Emily Domeroy
- 3rd place: Adelaide Heath



# Diary Dates

## April

15th Return to School 8.25am

NO CLUBS this week

17th EYFS Vision Screening

19th Year 3 Trip to Wheal Martyn

23rd RNLI Meet the Lifeguards—Year 5&6

## SPORTS DAY—22nd May

Reserve dates 26th June or 9th July

## Family Worker Drop in Sessions

24th April 08.45-10.00

12th June 08.45-10.00

## KEY DATES

**SATS Week** 13th-16th May ALL Year 6 must be in school this week.

## Residentials

Year 3 Thursday 2nd-Friday 3rd May

Year 4 Thursday 25th-Friday 26th April

Year 5 Thursday 9th –Friday 10th May

Year 6 Wednesday 5th-Friday 7th June

# TERM DATES

Summer term 1 2024: Monday 15th April 2024 - Friday 24th May 2024

Summer term 2 2024: Monday 3rd June 2024 - Friday 26th July 2024

Autumn term 1 2024: Thursday 5th September 2024 - Thursday 17th October 2024

Autumn term 2 2024: Monday 4th November 2024 - Friday 20th December 2024

Spring term 1 2025: Monday 6th January 2025 - Friday 14th February 2025

Spring term 2 2025: Monday 24th February 2025 - Friday 4th April 2025

Summer term 1 2025: Tuesday 22nd April 2025 - Friday 23rd May 2025

Summer term 2 2025: Monday 2nd June 2025 - Friday 25th July 2025





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Dear Parent/Guardian,

### **Time2Move Holiday Programme – Easter 2024**

It is with great pleasure that we can inform you that the Time2Move Holiday Programme for Easter 2024 is live.

The programme offers fun physical activities, games and wider activities plus a funded meal for every child. All children are welcome to attend, and it is completely **funded** for children that are eligible for benefits-related Free School Meals.

As a parent or guardian of a child eligible for benefits related free school meals you will need your child's unique code in order to access the activities for free. You can access your child's code quickly and easily at:

[www.cornwall.gov.uk/time2move](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/time2move)

Once you have this code you can search and book on activities here:

[www.activecornwall.org/T2MHolidayProgramme](http://www.activecornwall.org/T2MHolidayProgramme)

The activities are all delivered by approved providers with the main focus on fun and enjoyment. So please search for activities near you, book your child's place and we look forward to seeing your child over the Easter holidays.

For any questions regarding the Time2Move Holiday Programme please email [Time2Move.HolidayProgramme@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:Time2Move.HolidayProgramme@cornwall.gov.uk) or phone 01872 324287.

Yours faithfully

**The Time2Move Holiday Programme Team**

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# EASTER 2024

- Activities including multi sports, forest schools, circus skills, water sports and lots more - for children aged 5 to 16
- Every session includes a healthy meal for all children
- Funded places for ALL children eligible for benefits related free school meals

Activities are taking place across Cornwall during the Easter holidays, from April 2nd - 12th

Scan here to book!



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# EASTER 2024 HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

**MONDAY 8TH - FRIDAY 12TH APRIL  
10:00AM - 2:00PM**

Take part in fun and exciting sporting activities!  
Meet new friends, get active and have fun.

There is no charge for those students in receipt of Free School Meals, however, for all other students there is a charge of £10.00 per day.

A light breakfast & lunch is provided.

**FOR CHILDREN IN SCHOOL YEARS 5|6|7|8**

**CLICK HERE** 

To sign up, scan the QR code  
or click on the link

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# YOUTH CLUB

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April      Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April  
Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May      Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June      Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July      Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July

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**Bethel Methodist Chapel, Brockstone Road, St  
Austell PL25 3DW**

**6pm – 7 30pm.  
£1 per child.  
Ages 7 years and up.**

**Team games, crafts, game consoles, tuck shop and time  
to be with you friends in safe and friendly environment.**

**No need to book in, just come along on the dates above.  
But numbers are limited to 40, so come on time!**

**Contact Laura Mitchell on: [lauranewman89@hotmail.com](mailto:lauranewman89@hotmail.com)  
for more details.**

