



Spring Term 2023: Newsletter 2
Friday 27th January 2023

MOUNT CHARLES SCHOOL

EYFS



EYFS loved creating their own 'Sleepy Thing!' First, they filled an old sock to make it squishy and used an elastic band to tie the top. Finally, they added googly eyes and gave their 'Sleepy Thing' a name. The children are so excited to share stories with them!

YEAR 1

Year 1 have been looking at the vibrant work of Brazilian artist, Romero Britto. This week the children have learnt how to create accurate, pencil portraits of themselves using guidelines. The outcomes were excellent!

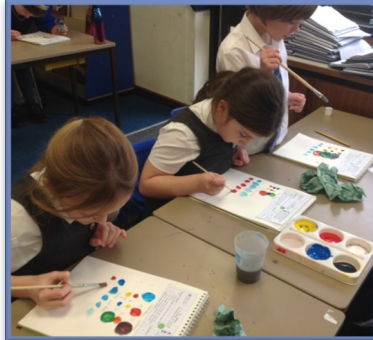
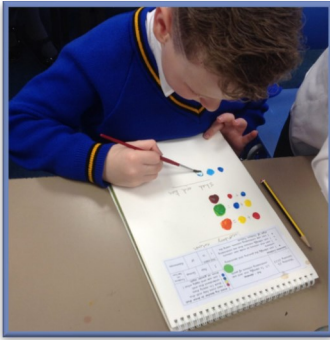


YEAR 2

This week Year 2 became chefs, taste testing various combinations of foods to create a healthy wrap. They have been learning about different food groups and which foods go well together to make a balanced diet. The children enjoyed planning their own wraps that they will be making next week.



YEAR 3



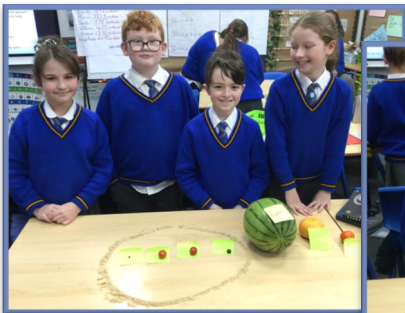
In art, Year 3 have been studying Jackson Pollock. He is an abstract artist who uses 'Drip Painting' to create his artwork. The children experimented with paints, to create the secondary colours, to make shades, tints and to identify the contrasting colours.

YEAR 4



In writing, Year 4 have identified the key features of a report. They have continued their work in science looking at teeth and have compared toothpaste to see which is the most effective. The children have had a lot of fun experimenting with it!

YEAR 5



Year 5 have been using their knowledge of the Solar System to make their own using fruit. They researched the size of each planet and decided which fruit would best represent each planet. They had to decide if some of the planets were similar in size and Earth and Venus both ended up being represented by a cherry tomato with diameters of approximately 12,000km. Some groups also added an asteroid belt of crushed crackers!

YEAR 6

The children really enjoyed their Antarctica experience this week: they huddled together in a tent; sang songs under a shelter to raise morale; experienced how cold water made their hands feel and worked together to tie knots wearing big gloves. This will help them to use empathy when writing their diary entries as Captain Scott and then as Shackleton.



ARB

The children are learning about guinea pigs: what they eat, how to stroke them and even made their own guinea pig mini houses. The children enjoyed a visit from the school guinea pigs and are becoming more confident with stroking and holding them.



SPORTS



On Friday the Cross Country Running team took part in race 3 of the season. We had lots of top 20 finishes and some in the top 10, which is a great achievement. Congratulations to Zachary who won the Year 4 boys race!

Race 4 is Friday 3rd February. It will be great to see all the runners competing again.

On Monday we took a group of Year 1 and 2 girls to Poltair School for the KS1 Girls Football Festival. All the children had lots of fun learning new skills and playing football. They did very well and enjoyed the event.



This week we took a group of children to play football and netball matches against St Mewan School.

The Year 3 and 4 team played first and had lots of defending to do. A 2-1 defeat but a brilliant performance from MCS against a very good team. Lots of positives to take into the next match. We also took along another team of just Year 3 children, many of them had never played before. All the players were excellent and never gave up.

The Year 5 and 6 (B Team) were 3-0 down at half time in their match. Mr Grigg made some substitutions to try and change the game and it worked brilliantly. They ended up 3-3, so this was an excellent draw.

The Year 6 (A Team) played in the final match. The score was 2-1 to MCS with the winning goal being scored with the last kick of the game! A superb goal and a very good win.

The Netball teams put in great efforts but unfortunately St Mewan proved too strong. Our team didn't let this dampen their spirits and they kept up the high quality play until the end.

Upcoming Events:



Our PTA are hosting a Valentines disco on Thursday 9th February. Please see letter sent home yesterday for more details.

NON-UNIFORM DAY

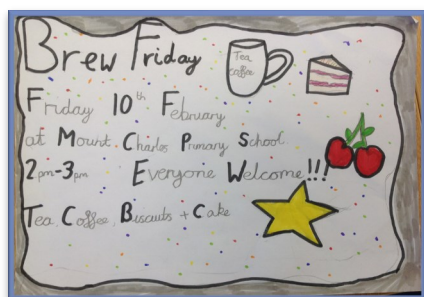
Friday 10th February, is a non-uniform day for a £1 donation. (Please pay on ParentPay). The theme is to wear red to raise money for the Cornwall Air Ambulance.

Mrs Waugh and her merry band of helpers have been working hard to spread the news of **Brew Friday**. This will be held on the 10th February in the main hall from 2pm-3pm.



As well as MCS families, we would love to open the invitation to our local community. The children worked hard to design posters and invitations. We then went around the Mount Charles area posting them through letterboxes.

If you know anyone who lives close by, who you think would like to join us for a cuppa and a biscuit, please let them know.



WORLD BOOK DAY

Thursday 2nd March is World Book Day

The school day will have a non-fiction focus, looking at aspirational people. The children will be encouraged to dress as someone who inspires them.

Attendance

Attendance Celebrations. This weeks class attendance winners are 4RW.

A huge well done to them.

What to do if your child is absent:

- Contact the school office via telephone on the first day your child's absence **before 9am**.
- Provide us with the **full details** of the reason for their absence. Please avoid using phrases such as "poorly", "sick" or "not well".

Repeat this for every day of absence.

If you would like to discuss any attendance concerns, please contact Mrs Nile via

enquiries@mount-charlessch.org or call 01726 73911.





TOP THREE!



Biggest improvement in accuracy in last 14 days:

1st place: Sennen Nicholls

2nd place: Henry Elenard

3rd place: Theo Cowling

Most correct answers given over the last 14 days:

1st place: Jake Lightfoot

2nd place: Jayden-James Elliott-Moore

3rd place: Riley Simpson

Biggest improvement in studio speed over the last 14 days:

1st place: Caitlyn Orchard

2nd place: Milly Hare

3rd place: Chester Reid

Celebrating



Yr1— Shelby, Ted, Lilly, Ella-May

Yr2— Daniel, Neelah, Toby, Harper

Yr3— Jaiden, Emmie, Elliott, Alfie

Yr4— Esmae, Zack, Declan, Skye

Yr5— James, Bailey, Kai, Grace

Yr6— Ryan, William, Chanelle, Charlie

Success

Our attendance trophy was won by:

This week: 4RW

Last week: 4RW



Attendance!



Diary Dates

January

30th KS2 Football @ Poltair
30th, 6th & 20th Feb KS2 Dance @ St Austell College

February

1st EYFS Visit from Screech Owl Sanctuary
3rd Year 4,5,6 Cross Country @ Poltair
3rd NSPCC Number Day 2023
6th Year 5&6 Indoor Athletics @ Poltair
7th Football & Netball @ St Stephen
9th PTA Disco
10th Non-uniform day & Brew Friday
10th Break up for half term 3pm
20th Back to School
22nd EYFS & Year 6 Weights & Measurements
27th Feb—3rd March Swimming Year 5 AK

March

2nd World Book Day (Dress to impress)
6th-10th March Swimming Year 5 AC
6th,7th,9th & 10th Book Fair
13th-17th Swimming Year 4 RC
20th-24th Swimming Year 4 RW

31st Break up for Easter 1.30pm

Residentials

Year 3 29th—30th June, 2023
Year 4 20th—21st April, 2023
Year 5 17th—19th May, 2023
Year 6 7th—9th June, 2023
SATS week - 9th -12th May, 2023
All Year 6 MUST be in school this week.
Phonics Screening—12th-16th June, 2023

TERM DATES

Spring term 1 2023: Tuesday 3rd January 2023 - Friday 10th February 2023
Spring term 2 2023: Monday 20th February 2023 - Friday 31st March 2023
Summer term 1 2023: Monday 17th April 2023 - Friday 26th May 2023
Summer term 2 2023: Monday 5th June 2023 - Friday 21st July 2023

INSET DAYS:

Friday 1st September 2023
Monday 4th September 2023
Monday 16th October 2023
Tuesday 17th October 2023
Wednesday 18th October 2023
Thursday 19th October 2023
Friday 20th October 2023

Autumn term 1 2023: Tuesday 5th September 2023 - Friday 13th October 2023
Autumn term 2 2023: Monday 30th October 2023 - Wednesday 20th December 2023
Spring term 1 2024: Monday 8th January 2024 - Friday 9th February 2024
Spring term 2 2024: Monday 19th February 2024 - Thursday 28th March 2024
Summer term 1 2024: Monday 15th April 2024 - Friday 24th May 2024
Summer term 2 2024: Monday 3rd June 2024 - Friday 26th July 2024

Time to Talk Day

St Austell Foodbank
Thursday 2nd February
10 AM - 3 PM

**Keep warm and join us for a chat
everyone welcome**

10-12 Advice and information with free refreshments

12-1 Soup and chat lunch

1-3 Mental health support at the foodbank



In partnership with
Co-op
St Austell Foodbank
The Trussell Trust



**Free advice and
support for mental
health and poverty
related issues**

#TimeToTalk

Charity number 1176942

In partnership with



St Austell Sea Cadets

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We have junior places for ages 9-11 on our Monday group. (6:30pm-7:45pm).

Spaces limited so get in touch.

**St Austell Junior
Sea Cadets**
We have spaces in
Monday section 2!



Get in touch to find



2023

February Super Camp

MONDAY 13TH - FRIDAY 17TH FEBRUARY
10AM - 2PM
POLTAIR SCHOOL

FOR CHILDREN IN
YEARS 5,6,7,8

**Free for free school meal children.
£5 if you are not entitled to free school meals.**

A light breakfast & Lunch is provided.

COME & JOIN OUR TEAM

ST AUSTELL HOCKEY CLUB



**Ages 5 and above & all abilities welcome
from Junior to Senior**

Womens & Mens Training
Penair School in Truro
Every Wednesday 7-8.30pm

Juniors Training
Charlestown School
Every Friday 6-7pm



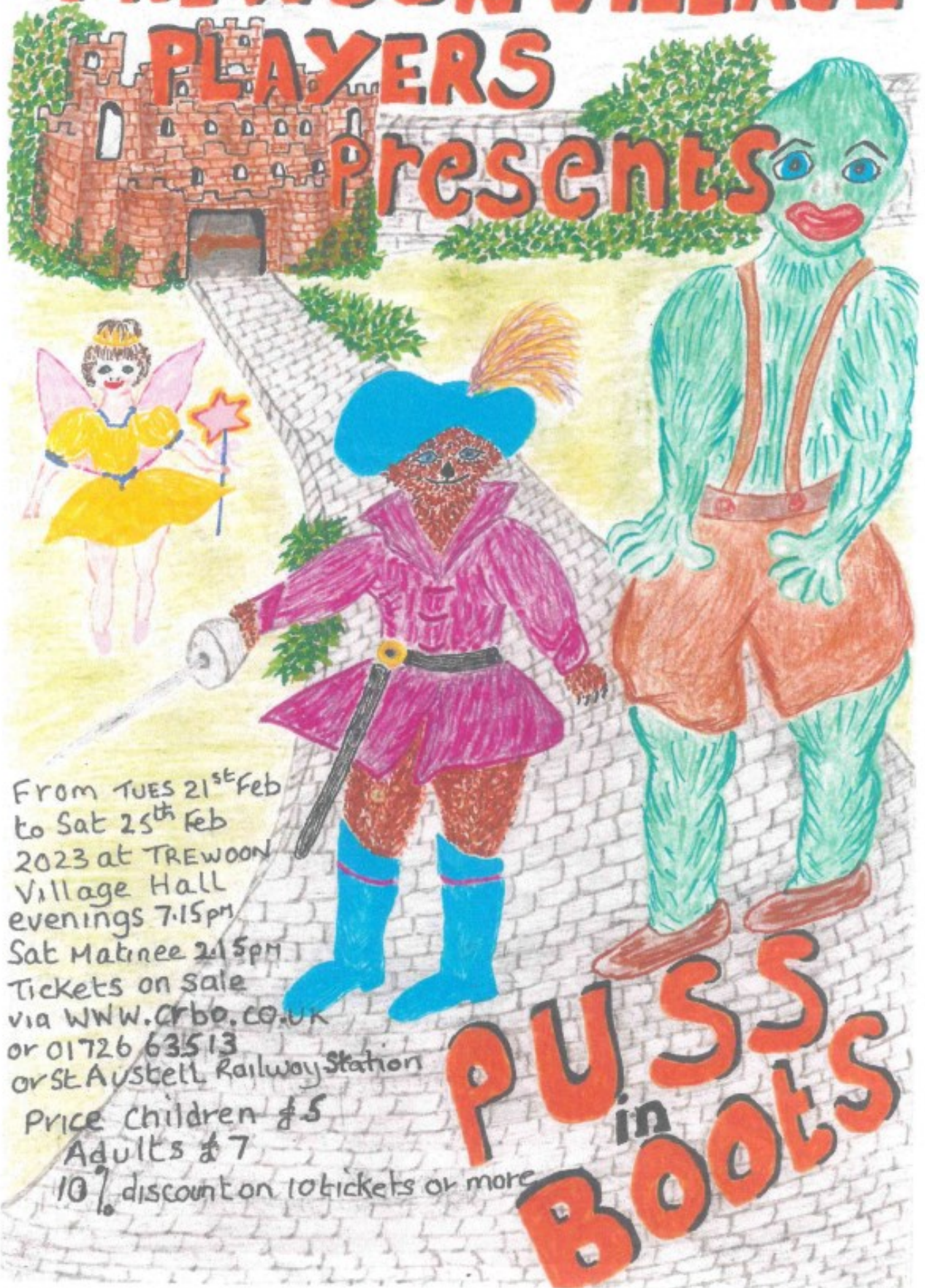
GET IN TOUCH WITH US NOW!

St Austell Hockey Club staustellhc.clubbuzz.co.uk

ENGLAND HO
LEAGUE



TREWOON VILLAGE PLAYERS Presents



From TUES 21st Feb
to Sat 25th Feb
2023 at TREWOON
Village Hall
evenings 7.15pm
Sat Matinee 2.15pm
Tickets on sale
via WWW.CRBO.CO.UK
or 01726 63513
or ST Austell Railway Station
Price children £5
Adults £7
10% discount on 10 tickets or more

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COME TO THE

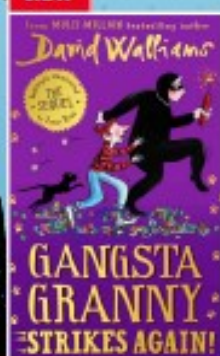
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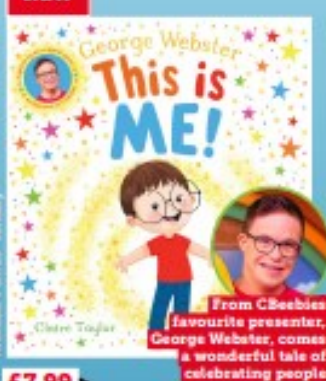
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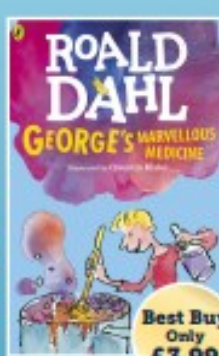


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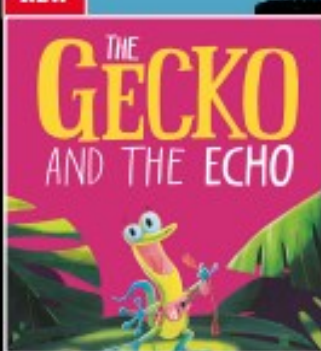
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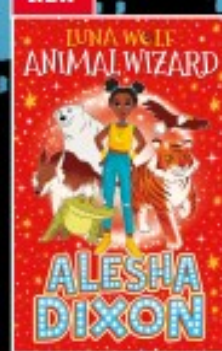
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The Book Fair will be running in school on Monday 6th March, Tuesday 7th March, Thursday 9th March and Friday 10th March from 3.15-4.15pm.

Scan the QR code
to pay online!

