



Summer Term 2024: Newsletter 6
Friday 12th July 2024



As part of the St Austell Festival of Children's Literature, pupils in EYFS and Years 1,2,4 and 5 got to meet an author on Friday 28th June.

Year 4 visited Bishop Bronescombe School where Keiran Larwood introduced them to the fantasy world of Podkin One-Ear and taught the children how to draw a map of the story's location. Year 5 met Steve Webb and learnt how to draw characters from his graphic novel 'Peng and Spanner.' EYFS and Year 1 were introduced to the life-cycle of a tadpole through Sarah Tagholm's book 'We are the Wibbly'. Year 2 met Anna Wilson and discovered how to face your fears in 'Shine Like the Stars'.

Over the weekend, many fabulous authors were also in St Austell as part of the festival. Some of our children went to the events, met the authors and even had their books signed. Year 5 were also lucky enough to all receive a copy of 'A Boy At the Back of The Class' by Onjali Raulf, courtesy of Bodmin College, which some children took to get signed by the author.

It was a fabulous few days sharing all things related to books and we can't wait to take part again next year. Thank you to the PTA, Roselyn Coaches and all involved with St Austell Festival of Children's Literature for giving our children these amazing opportunities.

***'I discovered that Katie Kerby is quite like her character Lottie Brooks. She's inspired me to write my own diary.'* Emmie**

***'It was cool to meet Onjali because we got to ask her questions.'* Lizzie**



Wow, wow, wow! Last week a group of our Year 4 children performed at the Celt Festival of Verse at Brannel School. The children not only wrote the poem, which included some fabulous vocabulary, they also performed it with passion. They were confident, loud and proud; all of them are superstars in the making.

Thank you to all involved in making it happen—the children will remember it for a long time.



EYFS

The EYFS children have been putting their mark making skills into good practice. During busy learning, they have been accessing a variety of ways to strengthen their fine motor skills and pencil grips, therefore improving their letter formation and handwriting skills. They are all such keen writers and we know they are excited to show their Year 1 teachers their incredible writing skills!



YEAR 1

For their topic 'Paws, Claws and Whiskers', Year 1 visited Newquay Zoo. The children had a great time seeing many of the animals they have been learning about in class. They particularly enjoyed watching feeding time for the penguins and could not believe how fast the penguins could swim when chasing their food! They also had a talk from a zookeeper about animal teeth. This links to our science learning on why omnivores, carnivores and herbivores have different types of teeth.



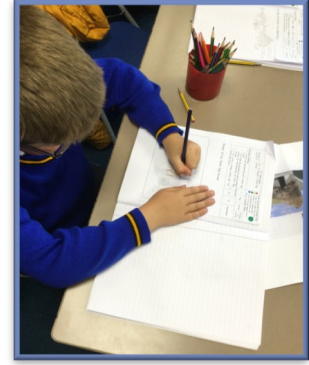
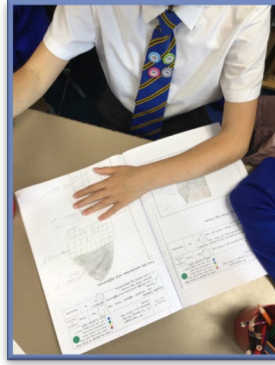
YEAR 2

Year 2 have been learning all about mechanisms and linkages in DT this week. The children have been exploring how to make their own levers and linkages by combining different parts together using split pins. They have also been planning and designing their own minibeast toy with moving wings. Keep your eyes peeled for the final result!

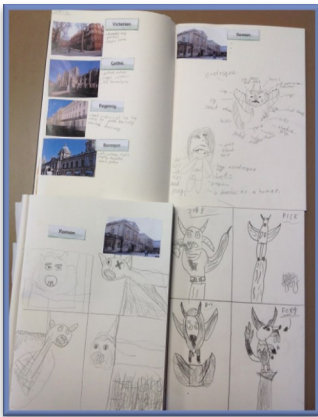


YEAR 3

This week Year 3 have started their DT topic looking at how Stone Age houses have changed over time. The children identified the materials used and incorporated some of them into their own designs. They are going to use these designs to make their own houses.



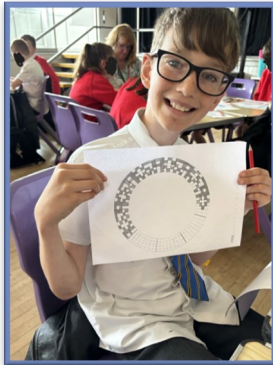
YEAR 4



Year 4 have begun learning about sculpture in their new art unit. They have explored the profession of architecture and learnt that many famous architects have different styles. The children looked at some of the features of each, drawing on our previous learning about the Romans. They then had a look at grotesques and gargoyles. Using their sketching skills, the children designed their own gargoyle and they really are grotesque!

YEAR 5

Last week, some of our Year 5 children took part in a special Maths Olympics day at Penrice School. The children worked in teams of four and competed against other local primary schools. The day gave the children opportunity to develop their mathematical problem solving and teamwork skills whilst, of course, having fun!



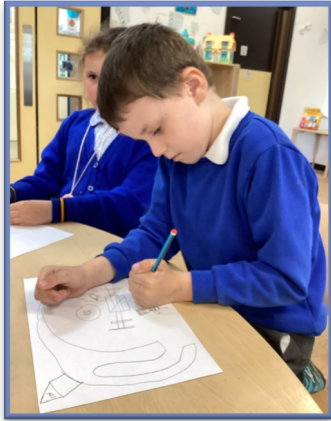
YEAR 6

Year 6 have been learning how to play a variety of samba instruments ready for a final performance to our families. We have been very lucky to have been taught by Mrs Brock. She has taught us the names of the different instruments and how the dimensions of music are used to create a final piece.



ARB

The children in the ARB have been enjoying reading the story 'The Fish That Could Wish' and have been painting pictures and writing about their own wishes. In maths, the children have been looking at position and direction and have been playing lots of different games to develop an understanding of positional language. In science, the children have been looking at life cycles and they have thoroughly enjoyed exploring the different processes that occur when animals reproduce.



SPORTS

Last week, a group of 25 children travelled to Somerset to watch a professional cricket match - Somerset V Warwickshire in the LV County Championship Division 1. Leaving school at 7:30am, the children had an action packed day watching the match, going on the outfield at lunchtime, visiting the cricket shops and the cricket activities area. They met some of the players and even managed to get some autographs! On their way home, they stopped at the services for a McDonalds tea. What a great day! Thank you to Mr Yelland, Mr Grigg and Mrs Chenoweth for your help in making this trip happen for our children.





Our attendance this week is 96.2% which is an increase on last week, well done! **As we approach the end of term, please make sure that your child attends every day - every moment matters.**

We have some really exciting events happening in school and we don't want anyone to miss out!

At the end of term we will have celebration for all children that have achieved 96.8% or above for their attendance this term.

DFE Attendance guidance—Please keep an eye out for information that will be sent next week regarding the new DFE attendance guidance that will become statutory in August 2024

Weekly Attendance		
Class	Attendance %	No. of lates
RBB	96.5	3
RDH	95.2	1
1NM	96.2	2
1TH	90.4	3
2SC	98.8	0
2HM	98.8	0
3RC	98.1	1
3SG	98.7	0
4CA	96.3	2
4HB	97	3
5CW	98.6	0
5RW	97.4	1
6JT	96.6	1
6AW	91.1	1

The expected percentage attendance for a child is 96.8% and the number of lates should be 0. Let's see if all classes can achieve this next week!

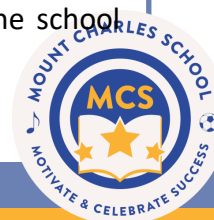
Well done to 2SC, 2HM, 3RC, 3SG, 4HB, 5CW, 5RW for reaching the 96.8% target.

**Whole
School
Total
This
Week
96.2%**

Absence from school: If your child is unable to attend school, please contact the school office via telephone **before 9am**. Please give **full details** of the reason for absence so that our admin team can code the absence appropriately. Please avoid using phrases such as "poorly" or "sick" and instead give details of symptoms.

Repeat this for **every day** of absence. If you know you may need to request leave from school for **exceptional circumstances**, such as national sports competitions or visa appointments, please complete a leave request form from the office.

If you have any questions or queries regarding attendance, please contact Mrs Nile via the school office.



REMINDEERS

Parking— When collecting your child after school, please DO NOT obstruct the entrance to the car parks or block any cars in. Our staff need to be able to leave and may have appointments to get to.

Parents are able to park at ASDA/B&M or Mount Charles Church on Victoria Road both of which are only 5 minutes walk away.

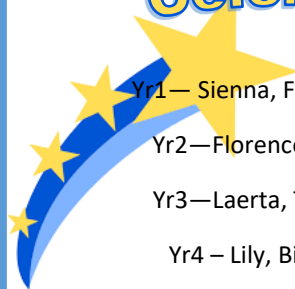
ParentPay Debt—There are still a number of ParentPay accounts showing an outstanding balance. At the end of the school year, the school will have to cover any debt not paid, which means less in the budget to spend on essential items needed in school.

Please check your ParentPay account for any money outstanding, this may be from past trips or for swimming sessions last term. Please pay any outstanding arrears as soon as possible.

Many thanks for your support.

What you should bring every day —With the changeable weather, please make sure your child comes to school with a NAMED coat every day and if the weather is warm please apply suncream before school and put a named bottle of suncream in your child's bag.

Celebrating



Yr1— Sienna, Filip, Annabelle, Holly

Yr2— Florence, Ella-May, Shelby

Yr3— Laerta, Theo, Milo, Sophie

Yr4 — Lily, Billie, Megan, Leila

Yr5 —Ellie, Florence, Jasper, Riley

Yr6—Matilda, James A-B, James C, Charlie

Sports Superstar—Jack C, Michael M

Success

Our attendance trophy was won by:

This week: 2SC & 2HM 98.8%

Last week: RBB 99.1%



Attendance!

Diary Dates

July

15th Nursery 2024 Intake Stay & Play 1.30pm
16th Nursery 2024 Intake Stay & play 1.30pm
17th Nursery 2024 Intake Stay & play 1.30pm
16th 3SG Parent Assembly 2.30pm
18th 3RC Parent Assembly 2.30pm
17th Year 6 Production 1.30pm & 6pm - **All Year 6 to attend both performances**
18th EYFS 2024 Intake Teddy Bear's picnic 1.45pm
18th Summer Fayre 3pm
w/c 22nd **No Clubs this week**
22nd 5CW Parent Assembly 2.30pm
22nd Year 6 Samba Assembly 2pm
23rd Year 6 Treat Day
23rd 5RW Parent Assembly 2.30pm
24th Year 1 Parent Assembly 2.30pm
25th Year 6 Leavers Assembly 2pm
26th Last day of term, 1:30pm finish

Residentials

15th-17th October Year 6 Trip to London

Inset Days for pupils

Monday 2nd, Tuesday 3rd & Wednesday 4th September

Friday 18th October 2024

Friday 20th & Monday 23rd June 2025

TERM DATES

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



TOP THREE!



Biggest improvement in accuracy in last 14 days:

- 1st place: Leila Munemo**
- 2nd place: Lucas Wright**
- 3rd place: Skylar Chapman**

Most correct answers given over the last 14 days:



- 1st place: Brynley Gilbert**
- 2nd place: Sienna Murray**
- 3rd place: Michael Mutezo**

Biggest improvement in studio speed over the last 14 days:

- 1st place: Luyanda Gumede**
- 2nd place: Sophie O'Mahoney**
- 3rd place: Freddie Fifield**



TOP THREE!

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

- 1st place: Adelaide Heath**
- 2nd place: Cerys Hudson**
- 3rd place: Mason Murray**



Biggest increase in correct answers in the last 14 days:

- 1st place: Mason Murray**
- 2nd place: Adelaide Heath**
- 3rd place: Emily Domeroy**

Highest improvement in accuracy in the last 14 days:

- 1st place: Lily Mcfarlane**
- 2nd place: Emily Domeroy**
- 3rd place: Amla Rushku**





PTA Summer Fayre update!

Fayre tokens are now available for purchase on ParentPay!

£5 is worth 10 tokens. Children will receive their tokens in a named envelope on Thursday afternoon.

Raffle tickets are also available for purchase on ParentPay, £1 per ticket!

We are blown away by the generous donations we have already received for the raffle, donations include:

- £100 cash!
- Laser tag party (for up to 12 players) voucher!
- £30 Screech Owl Sanctuary voucher!
- £25 Lappa Valley voucher!
- Family Ticket for Wheal Martyn!
- £10 Mardy Bakery Voucher!



The Mental Health Support Team invites you to register your interest in...

Wild Wellbeing

During the summer holidays, MHST would like you to join us on a FREE Wild Wellbeing outdoor, nature-based session.

This is for parents and their primary aged children (5-11) in the Mid Cornwall area, to understand and support emotional and mental wellbeing.

Wild Wellbeing will run as small groups, facilitated by our NHS MHST trained practitioners.

Please book EACH child on to a session below



Available sessions:



Tywardreath Primary School

- 31/07/2024 - 10am
- 07/08/2024 - 1pm
- 14/08/2024 - 10am
- 21/08/2024 - 1pm

St Mewan Primary School

- 31/07/2024 - 1pm
- 07/08/2024 - 10am
- 14/08/2024 - 1pm
- 21/08/2024 - 10am

Each session will last approx. 2 hours

Please note: Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. If you are allocated a place and cannot attend, please let us know so we can allocate your space to someone else

To request a place, complete the online form or scan the QR code provided:

<https://forms.office.com/e/tbq2ngKu54>





SUMMER 2024 HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

MON 5TH - THURS 8TH | MON 12TH - THURS 15TH | MON 19TH - THURS 22ND

AUGUST

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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Department for Education



St Austell Methodist Circuit

Holiday Club

@

Bethel Methodist Church
3 Trenowah Rd, Saint Austell PL25 3EB

**Wednesday 21st August, Thursday 22nd August and
Friday 23rd August.
10am – 1pm, including a free lunch.**



Enjoy crafts, games, songs, bible stories and much more.

**For ages 5 years and above.
No charge, but donations welcomed.**

To book a place, please call/message Laura Mitchell on 07974072102
or email lauranewman89@hotmail.com





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