



## Friday 21st April 2023

### FROM OUR HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back everyone, it has been a brilliant first week of term, it has been wonderful to see all of the children so engaged with their learning. Both Mr. Illiffe and myself have been around school and noticed how settled the children have been. It's been lovely to see so many children having fun at the Friends of SNELA Spring Disco yesterday and we wanted to thank the team for all of their support with this and on school trips. They really are an integral part to our happy school. Thank you FOSNELA.

It was my pleasure to announce the winners and runners up of the 'Magic Door Short Story competition' today. Congratulations to Jack and Hazel, who took first prize with Elsie and Florrie as runners-up. They have each received Amazon book vouchers as their prizes. Thanks also to the St. Newlyn East Good Companions Group, a local community group of retired members of the village, for selecting the winners. It was a pleasure to take a group of children to Wesley Hall to meet them before Easter and we look forward to working with them over the coming weeks.

Looking ahead, we're excited for our Sports Day which will take place on Thursday 8th June - save the date! This is a great opportunity for the children to spend time in our re-invigorated house teams (reserve date on Thursday 15th June). We think that building team spirit and celebrating success in this way is so important for our children.

A final thank you to all of you - our parents and carers - who continue to work with the school to ensure our children are happy and thrive. My door is always open if you ever need to talk through any concerns you may have.

Have a good weekend everyone. See you on Monday.

Andy Watkins  
Headteacher



### OUR CITIZENS



Friday 31st March  
Holywell - Oscar  
Tolcarne - Artie  
Porth - Edward  
Fistral - Reid  
Watergate - Bethan  
Crantock - Mason

Friday 21st April  
Tolcarne - Sonny  
Porth - Emma  
Fistral - Olivia  
Watergate - Noah  
Crantock - Seb



### ATTENDANCE

Thank you for everything you are doing to get children, 'In school, on time, every day and learning ready'.

Our whole school attendance this week is 97.1%. We have exceeded our target of 96%+.

Well done to Fistral for achieving our highest attendance at 99.7% this week!



Congratulations to Olivia for her swimming success in the holidays!

# What's on at SNELA and in the community



St Newlyn East  
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## Coming up at SNELA...

We are continuing our journey as budding zoologists as Tolcarne and Fistril will be going to Newquay Zoo as classes to learn all about conservation.

As we continue to build links with our local community, we are delighted to be working with St. Newlyn East's Good Companions group. We'll be taking the children to meet some of them at a coffee morning this month. We love sharing stories and experiences.

Holywell and Tolcarne classes will be taking part in a mock Coronation on Thursday 4th May. We will be announcing our Year 2 King and Queen and coronating them at St. Newlyn East Church. Parents will receive invites to watch next week!

## Reminders

Our school assigned Family Support Worker, Kelly Lloyd, will be in school on Tuesday 25th April between 9 am and 11 am, running a drop-in service for anyone who would like to meet her. There is no need to book an appointment, just sign in at the office.

After School Clubs kick off next week. We look forward to our summer programme of activities.

Dates for our after school Parent camp meetings have been circulated by email. Year 3's meeting is on 26th April. Year 6's London meeting is on Friday 28th April. Year 4's meeting is on 4th May. Year 5's meeting will be confirmed nearer the time.

## News from our across our Trust

We have been really enjoying getting to know our fellow Gannel Cluster schools over the last weeks. We are looking forward to hosting St Columb Minor Academy's team on Tuesday next week and will reschedule our match with Bishop's girls team soon.



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## 'Friends of SNELA'/Community news

Thank you so much to our brilliant Friends of SNELA for organising our Spring Disco, it was lovely to see the children having fun with their friends.

The next FoSNELA event will be a sponsored Sports afternoon. This is a great opportunity for our children to spend some time in their house teams and fundraise. Look out for sponsorship forms coming out next week.



## Reading at SNELA

Mrs. Stavrou and Tolcarne Class have chosen our recommended book this week: 'What Happened to you?' by James Catchpole and Karen James. Here's what she said: "It's funny story of curiosity and helps children to understand what it might feel like to be seen as different. We enjoyed talking about the different characters in the book and how the boy, Joe, might be feeling."



James  
Catchpole

Karen  
George



What Happened  
to YOU?



# Class News

## Here's what we have been learning...

### Holywell

In Holywell class we had a very busy end of term. In Foundation for RE we learnt about why Easter is celebrated and enjoyed roleplaying the story of 'Palm Sunday', whilst in Year 1 as part of our topic learning we made an animal profile. Both year groups also learnt about famous artist 'Kandinsky' and enjoyed discussing what they could see in his paintings before creating their own versions of them. What fantastic artists we all are in Holywell class!



### Tolcarne

To end their topic, Tolcarne took a trip to Metha woods last term to compare the geographical physical and human features of where we live to Kampong Ayer and its surrounding rainforest. A huge thank you to the parent helpers who volunteered their time to help out! In art, we are enjoying using different printing techniques that we will use to create a painted rainforest and in science, we observed our plants growing in different conditions to understand what they need to grow healthily. In Maths, Year 2 have been enjoying doing their times tables grid at the start of each lesson and have now begun fractions. Welcome back!



### Porth

Year 3 have had a brilliant week back at school. In our Literacy lessons we have been reading 'Escape from Pompeii', learning about the eruption of Mount Vesuvius and working towards writing a newspaper report on the events.

In our Geography lessons we are finishing off our learning about Florida and The Magic Kingdom. As part of our learning we have focused on nesting turtles in Florida, learning about the risks they face and how tourists can help to protect them.

In our PE lessons the children are working on their reaction and response skills.



### Fistral

A fabulous start to our summer term in Fistrall! I hope you had a relaxing break.

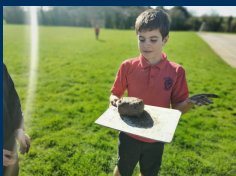


We have started to read a new fantasy story called 'Winter's Child' by Angela McAllister, on which our writing this half term will be based around. Miss Katie is taking our class weekly to create a dance performance in the Tudor style. In RE over the coming weeks, we have a special visitor who is going to talk about 'ceremonies' in the Christian church and what is meant by The Passover. In Science, an apple tasting test took place about the different varieties of apples.

### Watergate

Year 5 have had an amazing end to a very busy term, they have been focusing on converting fractions into decimals and percentages and even had a pizza eating Math Lesson. They have written a play script based around Shakespeare's 'The Tempest'. They had a fantastic trip to the zoo and learnt all about the endangered animals around the world. They have also been learning all about how the Indus people traded and made mud bricks which will hopefully be used to build a wall.

We're excited for new half term of learning!



### Crantock

Welcome back after what was hopefully a restful Easter break! As Designers we have been creating a range of bridge structures and testing to see what weight they can withstand before collapsing. In Geography we have begun looking at 'trade', specifically the origins of trade and how the 'silk road' had a huge impact on this. Our Literacy is now non-fiction based, focusing on 'Anne Frank's Diary'. The children will create pieces of writing around this before inventing their own opinion pieces on something they think is still important today. In Maths, we are exploring area, perimeter and volume following this we will be continuing working with shape but moving on to angles and the properties of different shapes including circles.

