

St. Newlyn East Learning Academy *'Growing Excellence Together'*

Date: Friday 2nd February 2024

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Dear families,

Safeguarding audit

Two weeks ago we had a visit from the new Safeguarding lead for the Trust -Lisa Farmer. She was amazed at the great behaviour of the children in school and the positivity from everyone. I talked through how we keep the children safe in school and the measures we put in place. Lisa was impressed with our record-keeping. She will be back in 8-weeks to see how we have developed our action points.

Volunteers - we need you/ parent assemblies

We have a brilliant group of parent volunteers in school and we will definitely be calling on you to support our upcoming Spring and Summer trips and sporting events. We really appreciate having you as part of our school community and are grateful for any help. If you are interested in volunteering at school, please see Michelle or Ange in the office. We'd also like to book more parents in for our *Inspiration Assemblies* which were a huge success in the autumn. If you would like to come in and talk about your job, please see me on the gate or pop into the office to book in.

Also, if any of the parents who have spoken so far would be interested in speaking at The Bishops' C of E Learning Academy, or another school in our Trust, please let me know. We want to let people know about the great work you're doing in our community!

Uniform reminder

We have noticed that there are some children in school wearing base-layers and under-leggings which are visible beneath their standard uniforms. Please can I ask that the children do not wear these items. Thank you for your support in helping us take pride in our uniform. Don't forget our good quality, secondhand uniform is available to anyone who needs it. Please speak to Michelle or Angela in the office for more information.

Have a good weekend all. Best wishes, Andy Watkins, Headteacher

Our Persevering and Passionate Citizens:

Friday 26th January Holywell - Evlyn Tolcarne - Beau Porth - Abby-Rose Fistral - Tegen Watergate - Alfie Crantock - Rafferty

Friday 2nd February Tolcarne - Penelope Porth - Orla Fistral - Ollie Watergate - Reid Crantock - Zane

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 **96.1%** We have exceed our target of 96%. Well done to **Year 3** for achieving our highest attendance at **98.8%** this week! Pease continue to fill out an Absence request form (available from the office or on our website) if you wish for your child to take an absence. We are 2nd in our Trust overall for attendance, let's aim for 1st!



If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in

accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £60 if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this but within 28 days.

Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may result in legal action. Absence not authorised by the school may result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the

Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court.

What's on at SNELA and in the Community

Coming up at SNELA

Mental Health Support Team visits: Spring Term 2.

Hello! My name is Jane and I wanted to take this opportunity to say hello to St. Newlyn East Learning Academy and to introduce myself.

As a qualified teacher, I have worked in a variety of primary schools and have

now just started in a new role as a Trainee Supervisor of Education Mental Health Practitioners (EMHPs), working in the Mental Health Support Team (MHST) in Restormel. A lot of words, I know!! have met with the staff at St. Newlyn East and am really looking forward to meeting and working with you and your children around any feelings of worries or sadness. I would like to invite you to meet me in school on Tuesday **27th February from 2:45 pm** when we could have an informal chat and I can answer any of your questions.

I look forward to meeting you soon!



St. Newlyn East Learning Academy LGB

We are very lucky to have the support of our Governors as part of our Local Governing Body. The Governors help to make decisions about school and come in to visit us to monitor learning and standards across the school. The children love meeting them and talk about school life. We had our most recent LGB meeting yesterday - thank to all the Governors for coming.

When the Governors visit us in school, we will be celebrating this in our newsletter,

so watch this space for updates soon.



Community What's On



Michelle Hague



Evey Evison



Andrew Barnett



Hannah Elford



Jodie Hyatt





Please feel free to chat to them at school.





Here's what we have been learning...

Holywell

We've had a great couple of weeks in Holywell and have really enjoyed our Africa topic so far. Year 1 have been writing fact files about animals from the Savannah in Literacy, and Foundation have been enjoying writing sentences inspired by the story Handa's Surprise. In Art, we've been learning to weave using a variety of methods and will soon be creating some Kenyan-inspired artwork. In music, we've all had a go at using the glockenspiels to compose-Mrs Penrose is really proud of their progress with this! As part of Storytelling Week, Foundation had a brilliant time visiting Newquay Library to listen to the author Claire Bond read her story *My Pet*





Porth



In Year 3 this week we have been continuing our local area studies by looking at the changes to St .Newlyn East Learning Academy. We have identified the old school and discussed reasons for needing a new site. We have looked at the current school site and documented changes over time by drawing our own plans of the school. We then added a key to show the most recent features to be added such as the Poly Tunnel.



Tolcarne

Year 2 have been fantastic historians this term. We investigated different people that lived in Pompeii over 2,000 years ago and we used evidence to make our decisions. We have loved acting out the events that happened on that fatal day and in Literacy we are now writing our own volcano eruption story. In Art, we have made pots using clay, using techniques to add decoration, and in Science we have been investigating the suitability of different materials. We have loved story telling week as different teachers have been reading our stories at the end of the day.



Fistral

Year 4 have thoroughly enjoyed reading *The Legend of Sally Jones* and have created their own adventure stories with their own animal. In Maths, they've been working on building fluency in division through factor pairs and being able to divide 3 -digit numbers. In the afternoons, we have been focusing on the Vikings and learning about the Alfred and why he was so great.

Alongside that, in science we have found out about the water cycle and created our own miniature water cycles.

Watergate

Year 5 had a great end to the term, they've been writing non-fiction books about endangered and extinct species – using 'can we save the tiger'? as their question. During Guided Reading we have been reading *Cogheart* and learning about the story of John Hartman. In Science, we have been learning about the different if any least of different withing in other at magnetic least the story of John lifecycles of different animals, looking in depth at mammals. Within computing, children have been creating their own 3D games and critiquing each-others. All children have written and received a letter from their new London pen pals and have had a zoom call with them also.



Crantock

Year 6 have had an exciting first few weeks of 2024. We are coming to the end of our class Guided Reading book which the children have loved. They are eager to find out what we will be reading next! In Literacy the children have written their own biographies on an inspirational figure. We have incorporated financial literacy into our fractions work, where the children had to decide what fraction of different values of money they'd rather have. Our afternoon learning has centred around light: the children conducted experiments into the colour spectrum. They have also enjoyed our ICT unit on blogging where they have now interacted with their peers blogs.