



St Newlyn East
Learning Academy

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'Building Excellence Together'

Date: Friday 13th October 2023

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Dear families,

I sincerely hope everyone has had a great week; it's certainly been a busy one in school. Here's a few updates:

School Improvement Team

We welcomed Natalie Simmonds and Pamela Waters to the school on Monday. They are part of Kernow Learning's school improvement team that support us to 'Build Excellence Together'. They spent the day working with us on reading, personal development, Spanish and PE. It was a very busy day but a really positive one too. We have things to work on including:

- Ensuring every RWinc group is consistent in its excellent delivery
- Ensuring every teacher is confident in the delivery of our revised PE curriculum
- Ensuring we share our excellent practice with the wider Trust

I was personally so proud of our team; Tom Shepherd, for example, has been asked to demonstrate his excellence in the teaching of reading to the whole Trust—great work Tom!

Local Governing Body (LGB)

We are strengthening our LGB this year and last night we hosted our team in school. I shared the school improvement priorities and reviewed our summer term progress. Michelle Hague and her team always challenge me to be better every time we meet but do so in a supportive manner. I am always grateful for their support.

Remember, Michelle is normally meeting with me on Fridays (after school). She is a good port of call for anyone who would like to discuss sensitive issues or talk through difficult problems.

Wet breaks

If you have any surplus Lego at home that you no longer need, we would be grateful of any donations. If you can help, see me or call in at the office.

Have an amazing weekend everyone.
Andy Watkins



Congratulations to Michelle Hague who has been elected to continue as Chair of Governors

Our Citizens

Friday 6th October

Holywell - Poppy

Tolcarne - Zach

Porth - Nellie

Fistral - Leo

Watergate - Clementine

Crantock - Bethan

Friday 13th October

Holywell - Sophie

Tolcarne - Eva

Porth - Seth

Fistral - Ruby

Watergate - Zoe

Crantock - Logan



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

97.2% We have exceeded our target of 96% Well done to **Reception** and **Year 4** for achieving our highest attendance at **100%** this

week! Please 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.



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

Parents Evenings will take place on **Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th October** (Monday 16th and Thursday 19th for Year 4). There are a few slots available. If you would like to book an appointment, please do so via the MyEd app or call the office. We look forward to seeing you all.

On **Tuesday** we have Kathy from Newquay Library coming in to present certificates to all the children who completed the Summer Reading Challenge throughout August.

The Nasal Flu Immunisation team will be in next week on **Friday 20th**. If you have not given consent, your child will not be administered a vaccine.

Reminders

Hatchbox photography will be in school on **Thursday 19th October** for individual and sibling photos. If you have Pre-School children, please come to Reception at 8.30 am for your photos. Please can we ask that children have their school jumpers with them on this day.

As we enter Autumn weather, please can we ask that children have their **coats and wellies** with them for playing on the field at lunchtimes. Thank you!

We are working hard to encourage team spirit during our P.E lessons and love to see the children in their house colours. Please can we ask that children have their kit in school for their P.E day.

News from across our Trust

We are delighted to be hosting Kernow Learning's Subject Leaders' Networking Meetings this year. It's a pleasure to welcome so many of our Trust colleagues into our school.

Thank you to Pamela Waters and Natalie Simmonds our School Improvement partners for a positive visit this week and thank you to our wonderful children and staff for helping to show us at our best!

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Friends of SNELA...

3rd December - FOSNELA are holding a wreath making evening in the village hall. £30 contact Nicola to book on friendsofsnela@gmail.com.

6th December - the Christmas market. Children are invited to bring in £3 to purchase two presents for loved ones at home. The Friends will wrap them ready for the big day. Donations of wrapping paper gratefully received.

7th December - We are in the process of confirming details with Santa but this will hopefully be the date for the Christmas fair and village light switch on. Follow the 'Friends of St Newlyn East Learning Academy' Facebook page for regular updates. If you are able to help at the fair please let us know on friendsofsnela@gmail.com

We would love donations of chocolate for the tombola, bottles for a game and hamper donations for the raffle. We would like to invite the children to wear their Christmas jumpers on **Wednesday 6th December** and bring the donations in that day.

Thank you so much for all your support.



Here's what we have been learning...

Holywell

We've been so busy in Holywell class over the last couple of weeks and have especially been enjoying learning about how and why different modes of transport have changed from the past. We learned that transport is now much safer and faster than 100 years ago. We loved having Newquay Fire Brigade in this week. After learning about the history of flight, Year 1 had a go at making and testing our own paper aeroplanes that needed to be aerodynamic in design like modern planes! Our Foundation children continue to settle into school life- we are so proud of the progress they are making with their sounds and counting!



Tolcarne



Year 2 have been great 'geographers' and have been using atlases and globes to see how fruit and vegetables are exported and imported around the world and across the five oceans. We also tried some exotic fruit all the way from Israel and Costa Rica! We are looking forward to our trip to Trevaskis farm to learn more about where our food comes from. We are lucky for the Autumn term to have Mrs. Browning from 'As One' music hub, to teach us our music lessons, and we'll be showing off what we have learned in a special performance in December. In Literacy, we presented our sequel stories to the class and have now begun to write them.

Porth



In Year 3 we have had another busy week. In our Literacy lessons, have building up our vocabulary bank of similes, fronted adverbials and adjectives. around our text *The First Drawing*, ready to create our own stories. The children came up with impressive in-depth questions about the creation story during our R.E lessons. We also enjoyed our P.E in the unseasonal sunshine, practicing our

footwork skills ready to put into our catching and passing games.

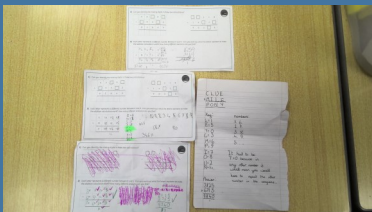
Fistral

Year 4 have had a busy week exploring our topic relating to Anglo-Saxons. We have examined historical artefacts that were discovered in a burial site in Sutton Hoo, Suffolk. The class have developed an Anglo-Saxon themed story during Literacy. The class continue to work with Deborah in RE which they enjoy, looking at the Holy Trinity. To finish our Music Topic we had a class sing off with *Abba* songs. the girls really enjoyed winning! In Maths Fistral class finished off looking at place value and have begun adding in 100s and 1000s.



Watergate

Year 5 have been working incredibly hard in all their subjects, they've been writing their own version of *Percy Jackson the Lightning Thief*. In Maths, they've been working hard on adding and subtracting and have taken home some very difficult Maths problems. In the afternoons, we have been learning about the Trojan Horse story and whether it is a myth or not. Alongside that, we have been focusing on Science and how different objects have different properties.



Crantock

As we approach the end of the first half term in Year 6, the children have really engaged with and enjoyed their learning. In Literacy, they have invented their own *Grimm* tales and are now deep into our class guided reading book. In Maths, we have finished our unit on place value and are now moving into the 4 main operations. Our afternoon learning in Geography has been centred around volcanoes, and particularly volcanoes on a remote island in Iceland. Here the children are writing diary entries as a child who is experiencing an eruption and needing to be evacuated.

