



**St Newlyn East**  
Learning Academy

# St. Newlyn East Learning Academy

*'Growing Excellence Together'*

**Date: Friday 10th November 2023**

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Dear families,

What a brilliant first two weeks back we have had—where has the time gone?

#### Strapline, 6Ps to 3Ps

Our new strapline for the school is: 'Growing Excellence Together'. This now links in directly to our 'School Values Tree' image. We still have the 6 'golden roots', but we now have moved to 3Ps. Our three most important Ps as voted by all stakeholders are: *We are passionate* *We persevere* *We ALL participate*

#### School Uniform and Books

Please could you donate any school uniform that your child/ren have grown out of. We are having a big push on collecting in clothing and sharing with our families. We'd also appreciate any donations of no-longer-needed drawstring bags for PE kit. Thank you. Also, any reading books that your child/ren have grown out of, please send them in for our class libraries and to pass on to other children in school.

'St. Newlyn East Christmas Jumper swap-shop' has now been officially launched! There are more than 65 million Christmas jumpers in UK homes. Over 12 million are sold every year, and many are only worn once! Plus, nearly all Christmas jumpers contain plastic. Our 'swap-shop' is aiming to reduce this waste by encouraging the swapping of Christmas jumpers in school instead of buying new ones. If you have a Christmas Jumper, that no longer fits your child, please donate to our swap shop and pick another that fits. It's a simple as that! We will be keeping a running total of how many Christmas jumpers our families have saved - so that they can fulfill their Christmas purpose.

#### Attendance

I have attended two attendance meetings/conferences this week. The one main takeaway was that *the children who are in school every day are making greater progress than their peers*. Please support us with this. If your child is having troubles/concerns in class, please come and see me. Let's keep our attendance high!

#### Social media

Please let us know about any extra-curricular achievements whether they are sporting or otherwise, we love celebrating our children and the amazing things they achieve #AsOne. We can then share this in assembly and on the newsletter too.

We'd like to say a big thank you to Jennifer Forbes for kicking off our Parent Inspiration careers assemblies today. The children really loved finding out about the work you do! If you are interested in speaking at one of our Inspiration assemblies, please come and see me.

Finally, we look forward to welcoming Clare Crowle (CEO for Kernow Learning) to the school on Monday for her 'Roadshow Assembly'. Clare has been a wonderful supporter of our school and now leads Kernow Learning with passion and perseverance. It will be lovely for the children to meet her on Monday.

Have an amazing weekend everyone.

Andy Watkins, Headteacher



## Our Citizens

### Friday 3rd November

Holywell - Moby

Tolcarne - Tristan

Porth - Talia

Fistral - Alayah

Watergate - Liam

Crantock - Jude

### Friday 10th November

Holywell - Herbie

Tolcarne - Willow

Porth - Charlie

Fistral - Edward

Crantock - Finn



## 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

**95.9%** Thank you for everything you are doing to help us reach our target of 96%. Well done to **Watergate** for achieving our highest

attendance at **98.3%** 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. 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

# What's on at SNELA and in the Community

## Coming up at SNELA

Please take a look at our website under the **Our School Day** page for a comprehensive calendar of school events all the way until January. This will be updated regularly.

We're delighted to be welcoming local musician Will Keating into school for workshops and an assembly for all children on **Thursday 16th November**. We would really appreciate a donation of £2 per child for the day. This is now live in MyEd.

Year 3 will be welcoming noted Archaeologist William Garrow into class to talk all about the Stoneage, Iron and Age and Stonehenge thanks to Blast from the Past. The workshop will be taking place on **Monday 20th November**. This will be followed by workshops for Year 2 and Year 4 later in the month.

Lynda from City Life Church will be in on **Tuesday 21st November** for Nativity Storytelling with EYFS and Key Stage 1.

EYFS and Year 1 look forward to working with Janine Bisson on

## Reminders

The EYFS/ Key Stage 1 Nativity *Everybody Loves a Baby* will be on **Thursday 13th November** at 9.30 am and 2.30 pm. Tickets are bookable via the MyEd app (2 tickets per performance per child).

Please can we ask that you **continue to book your children's school lunches** via the **MyEd system**. Currently lunches are bookable up until Friday 1st December. We are awaiting confirmation of School Christmas lunch day. As soon as we have this information, December lunches will be bookable.

Children in Need is on **Friday 17th November**. We will be having a non-uniform day and sponsored (donations) reading event across all year groups—someone in school will be reading all day! If you would like to make a donation, please can we ask that you do so via the JustGiving page [here](#). We continue to operate as a cashless school.



## News from across our Trust



**FREE** course for Parents and carers: **Understanding Sensory Processing and Integration in Children (For Parents and Carers)**, Click [here](#) to find out more about this course and register for your free place.

A big thank you to our Year 6 readers, Reverend Chris, Clare Jacques and all at the Parish Church for taking part in our service of Remembrance today.



## 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](mailto: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.

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.

**7th December** - The Christmas Fair will take place from 5 pm—6.45 pm, followed by the Christmas Lights switch on attended by Santa himself. 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](mailto:friendsofsnela@gmail.com)

Thank you so much for all your support.



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

## Holywell

It's been a busy couple of weeks in Holywell class as we begin our new topics. In Science we've been learning about parts of the human body and their functions. We've also been thinking about the early lead up to Christmas for Christians in RE- on that note...

Nativity preparations have begun with some glorious singing! The Year 1s have been enjoying our new Literacy text *Little Bear's Trousers* and have been retelling the story in their own words. Foundation continue to make great progress with their sounds and letter formation- we're so impressed.



## Tolcarne

Year 2 are loving being historians this term. We have learned all about Guy Fawkes and why we celebrate Bonfire Night. We have been discussing Remembrance Sunday and have made poppies for our school display. In Maths, we are adding and subtracting, using fact families and related facts to help us. In Science, we have begun learning about the different types of materials around us.



## Porth

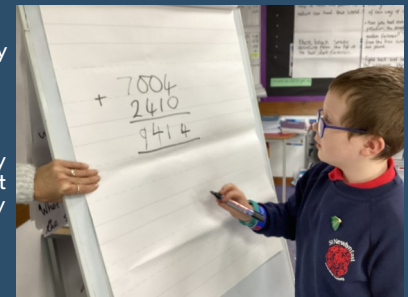


In year 3 this week we have been working hard, learning about the human body and our skeletal system. We have been finding out about the different bones in the human body which make up our skeleton and also the function of each bone. The children worked in small groups to construct their own skeleton diagram, which they then

checked, to make sure the bones were in the correct place. Through lots of discussion and demonstrations we all managed to construct our skeletons correctly. In our Literacy we have been writing about emotions from our text *The Heart and the Bottle* and writing some super sentences.

## Fistral

Great fun has been had by Year 4 in Literacy. The classroom was overtaken by pesky Varmints who caused mayhem. Along with a mysterious gardener, who left some scattered seeds, our topic has been shrouded in mystery... more next time! During Maths we have been exploring multiplying by 10 and 100, we have mastered subtracting four-digit numbers and estimating. Phew a busy start to the term! In Music we have enjoyed learning to play the glockenspiel, pitch, and tempo! We are currently completing a topic about Anglo Saxons for History and are fascinated by our *Viking Boy* book in guided reading.



## Watergate

We have been doing some amazing work in Year 5 this week. In Literacy, we have been doing our WOW writes based on the book *Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief*. This WOW write was to write a letter, pretending that we were a demi-god. In Maths, we have been continuing to learn about graphs and tables, and we have been solving lots of problems using two-way tables. In Geography, we are learning about Climate Change and how it is affecting different parts of the world. This week, we finished our writing about Elhaji, a boy from The Gambia, who had to move from his village to the capital city, Banjul. We learned that he has had to do this because his home village is being affected by drought and desertification. In Science, we have been drawing diagrams to show how the Earth orbits the Sun and how the Moon orbits the Earth. We have been enjoying reading *Asha and The Spirit Bird* in guided reading.



## Crantock

After a relaxing and well earned half term, the Year 6 children have been excellent learners. In Literacy we are continuing the daily reading of our class novel and the children have just finished writing balanced debates about which natural disaster they believe to be most destructive. In Maths, we are well into our unit on the 4 main operations with a focus on the different strategies that the children can choose from to divide. In Science they children enjoyed learning about classification and have created their own creatures for their peers to classify using a key. Here the children were discussing the idea of 'Is God Real?' related to Christianity.

