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Newsletter No 4

Friday 4th October 2019

Dear Parents and carers,

It has been another busy week here at St Francis which has culminated in a day of art and inspiring learning as part of our St Francis Day celebrations. Miss Sutton has worked extremely hard in organising the day for us and this week, she has written the opening for our newsletter explaining our day:

Today our whole school has remembered our patron Saint with a celebration of all of the amazing creatures that live in our seas. Class L began the day by reminding us of the life and work of St Francis, and of the link between a man who lived 800 years ago, who believed we all have a duty to protect our world and care for the creatures who live in it. Throughout the day, all the children have participated in a 'sea themed workshop' provided in KS1 by The Rock Pool project and in KS2 a conservation workshop about 'The Blue Planet' by The National Marine Aquarium from Plymouth. Thanks to the hard work and talents of Mrs Sullivan, one of our year 3 TA 's, all the children have also had the opportunity to produce a piece of art, based on a variety of sea creatures, incorporating the idea of re-using and recycling to help keep our seas clean. These will decorate parts of the school, as well as become a part of the local Oyster Parade festival next week. We ended the day with a further whole school assembly with the National Marine Aquarium sharing a great fun 'slimy seas' assembly. We will share our learning with you from the day via our Facebook page.

Have a lovely weekend everyone

Hannah Stevens
Headteacher



Next week on Friday we will be celebrating Harvest Festival at school. Our theme for Harvest this year is following on from our focus on the sea today and will be 'Harvest of the Sea'. The day will start with Class K performing their class assembly, and then classes will extend their learning on the work of the RNLi and Surfers Against Sewage. We would be grateful if children could bring in some loose change or coppers as throughout the day we are going to be covering a large version of the world with our coins - it would be great if we could cover all the countries! All money donated will then be split between the RNLi and Surfers Against Sewage. Many thanks.



Kernow Health have cancelled the Nasal Flu Immunisations planned for Mon 7th Oct. We will let you know when we are aware of the new date.



Reception school photos will be published in the Falmouth Packet on Wednesday 9th October

Starting Secondary and Primary School 2020
The closing date for Secondary applications is 31st October 2019, closing date for Primary applications is 15th January 2020. All applications have to be made online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

Year 4 Swimming
Children in Year 4 will be starting their swimming lessons on Monday 28th Oct. Letters have been sent home with children today. The letter can be viewed from our website, or we have spare copies in the office



ATTENDANCE: Please be reminded that holidays cannot be authorised in term time. Therefore we provide term dates well in advance so that holidays can be appropriately planned. Thank you. Dates are available from our website, or there are paper copies in the school office

PLEASE!
NOTE

Curriculum News!

Week ahead from Monday 7th October

Reception ☺ – We will be exploring the outside environment and looking at the changes that Autumn brings.

Year 1 ☺ – As Artist's we will be designing wolf masks.

Year 2 ☺ – As scientist's we will looking at how clean our teeth are, by using disclosing tablets.

Year 3 ☺ – Are getting ready to take part in the Falmouth Oyster Festival Opening Ceremony and Parade next Friday.

Year 4 ☺ – In our Science experiment we will be looking at reflection.

Year 5 ☺ – We are looking forward to designing and creating our own models of the Earth, Sun and Moon in Science.

Year 6 ☺ – In Geography we will be studying the River Nile



Y3 Oyster Festival

Parade

This year's Oyster Festival parade takes place on Fri 11th Oct. All children in Year 3 have been invited to take part in the parade. Any outstanding consent forms are to be handed to their class teacher

Upcoming Trips

Year 6 will be having their trip to Truro Museum & Shelterbox on Weds 16th Oct.

Year 2 children have a trip to Pendennis Castle on Wednesday 30th October.

Letters have been sent home with the children today, but copies can be found on the school website or available from the school office

On Monday 14th October, year 4 will be having a living history day to find out what life was like during the age of the Vikings.

Letters have been sent home with all the details



Open Afternoon

On Thursday 17th Oct from 2pm-3pm we will be holding an open afternoon for Years 1-6.

Parents/carers are welcome to come in and see what the children have been working on this term.

On Friday 1st Nov from 9:00am-11:00am we will be holding an open morning for those children starting reception in Sept 2020

PLEASE!!
NOTE

CONGRATULATIONS YOU HAVE KEPT THE GOLDEN RULES

We listen

We are kind and helpful

We work hard

We are gentle

We are honest

We look after everyone
& everything

Nora R
William P
Emily C
Jenson R
Adas A
Anya A
Burleigh H
Mia I
Finley H-B
Oscar W
Dilan M
Kai D-B
Rose S
Lewis F
Maja K
Dylan E
Sophia B
Cora W
Ethan H-B
Callum B
Mckenzie F
Bailey J
Joseph G
Flossie H
Jago P
Charlie L
Herb H

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Readathon

All children have come home with a letter, bookmark and a sponsor card relating to our first ever Readathon! All money raised from the Readathon will not only enable our school to gain book vouchers, but will provide books and storyteller visits for Bristol Children's Hospital. Sponsorship forms are to be completed by December 16th. Copies of the letter are available from the school office.

Thank you for your support



The next gathering for Messy Church will be Saturday 12th October between 9:30-11:00am, at All Saints Church, Killigrew St, Falmouth. Everyone is welcome, there will be breakfast, games, activities, followed by a story and songs



DATES	EVENTS
Friday 11 th October	Harvest Festival
Friday 11 th October	Class K (Koalas) Parent Assembly 9:00am
Friday 11 th October	Year 3 Oyster Festival Parade 2:30-4:00pm
Monday 14 th October	Last swimming lesson for Years 5&6
Monday 14 th October	Year 4 Viking Day
Wednesday 16 th October	Year 6 Trip to Truro Museum & Shelterbox
Thursday 17 th October	Class I (Penguins) Parent Assembly 9:00am
Thursday 17 th October	2:00pm Open afternoon for current parents in Years 1-6
Friday 18 th October	INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday 21 st -Friday 25 th October	HALF TERM
Monday 28 th October	Swimming begins for Year 4
Wednesday 30 th October	Year 2 Trip to Pendennis Castle
Friday 1 st November	Reception 2020 Open Morning 9:00-11:00am
Thursday 7 th & Friday 8 th November	Individual & Sibling Photos
Friday 29 th November	Hearing screening for Year 1
Monday 2 nd – Friday 6 th December	Parents Evening Week
Wednesday 18 th December	Break up for Christmas Holidays
Thursday 19 th & Friday 20 th December	INSET DAYS – SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday 23 rd December – Friday 3 rd January 2020	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
Monday 6 th January 2020	SPRING TERM BEGINS
Monday 17 th - Friday 21 st February 2020	HALF TERM
Friday 27 th March 2020	BREAK UP FOR EASTER HOLIDAYS
Monday 30 th March 2020 – Monday 13 th April 2020	EASTER HOLIDAYS
Tuesday 14 th April 2020	SUMMER TERM BEGINS
Friday 8 th May 2020	BANK HOLIDAY
Monday 25-Friday 29 th May 2020	HALF TERM
Wednesday 22 nd July 2020	BREAK UP FOR SUMMER HOLIDAYS
Thursday 23 rd July 2020	INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED