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Menabilly Class

This week in reception we have been learning about the characters in a focus story. The children have written some lovely captions and sentences about Daddy Bear, Baby Bear and Goldilocks in the literacy.

In maths we have been looking at making a whole number out of two parts and practising our knowledge with lots of different resources

Next week are beginning a new challenge! Rainbow Reader challenges which are achieved by reading at home at least 3 times a week with an adult. Hopefully we will have lots of prizes won in the next few weeks ahead! Good Luck Reception!

Porthpean Class

We have been working really hard in Year 1 this week. We have been exploring the characters in 'The Enormous Turnip' in English, discussing friendship in R.E. and finding out about the seasons in Science. We have been getting to grips with 'teen' numbers (11-20) in maths, focusing on the fact that it is always '10 add something' and that the numeral 1 in a teen number actually shows us 10, not 1. A big well done to those children who have been practising their spellings at home this week.

Pendower Class

What a busy, hard working week! We kick started the week with a visit from a real life Polar Explorer! We learnt a lot about her trip to Antarctica and were really excited to learn new facts linked to our topic. We have also been learning more about the story Lost and Found by Oliver Jeffers. We have also been working hard with starting to multiply two numbers together. Thank you for all your support with our reading, it is helping us a lot in school!

Charlestown

We have had a good week in year 3 learning Charlotte's Web for our Story Telling into writing topic. We have also been making baby Charlottes for our web and lots of Templetons to hide around the room. we are looking forward to writing our innovated versions of Charlotte's Web next week.

In maths the children have been learning to multiply a 2-digit number by a 1-digit number. They have really impressed me

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with their multiplication recall. We will continue to consolidate this learning next week before moving onto dividing a 2-digit number by a 1-digit number.

In topic we have learnt about Rose Parks and Martin Luther King Jr, deciding what made these people amazing, what social changes they brought and what can we learn from them? Next week's focus will be overcoming adversity.

Whipsiderry Class

Year 4 have been working hard this week to learn how to multiply 2 digit numbers by 1 digit numbers. Our times tables practices continues with some of us knocking at least a minute of our time in the 99 club. We were very lucky to have a Glaciologist come to talk to us this week about her work in Antarctica. We have been finding out about people who take on the challenge of exploring new places during our Vipers reading sessions. We have also been finding out about the Northern and Southern hemispheres and looking at world maps.

The Cove

This week in The Cove we have been focusing and celebrating the children returning to enjoy time back in class 4.

Activities based around our topic have kept us busy and we have continued to settle back into class.

Porthcurno Class

Porthcurno started this week with guitar tuition for the whole class. We have taken advantage of the skills of a music specialist to teach the whole class the basic chords and hopefully, after ten weeks or so, will culminate in a whole class performance. Ask your child if they can remember the mnemonic to help them remember the names of the strings.

In English we have stained some paper to age it and then written our letters home, pretending we have been evacuated to live in the countryside with a host family. We've also taken part in a 'Live Lesson' on the BBC website, giving story writing tips from famous authors for the 500 words competition.

In maths we have been finding the area of rectangles, triangles, parallelograms and compound shapes.

On Wednesday some of our class braved atrocious conditions at Par to run in January's race of the Schools' Cross Country League. Several of our runners did amazingly well and placed much higher than in the previous races.

Please check your child's book bag for a letter regarding our class residential to London.

Pentewan Class

In maths this week, Year 6 have been learning how to calculate a range of averages: median, mode, range and mean. We calculated mean average heights and shoe sizes for the class. In science, we have continued our work on heart rate by calculating the mean average resting heart rate for the class and developing questions to investigate in regards to why some pupils may have significantly higher or lower resting heart rates and whether we may be able to establish any correlations between age or height etc. In RE, the pupils reflected on the Buddhist eight fold path and identified which beliefs they agreed or disagreed with and in art they have created their own piece of artwork inspired by Buddhist prayer flags (these will be on display in the classroom from Monday). On Thursday, the pupils joined the 'live lesson' via video link from the BBC's '500 words' writing competition. Throughout the week in English and guided reading, we have been exploring extracts from the story of 'Touching the Void' by Joe Simpson. Next week, we are looking forward to exploring scatter graphs in maths and science as well as 'inventing' our

own 'defeating the monster' stories inspired by famous feats of endurance. We are also receiving our work back from the Bodmin and Wenford railway following our exhibition there and this will be on display in school from the start of next week

Archery

Well done to Saffron in Year 5, who has recently been ranked #1 in the country for her age category! We are all extremely proud of your achievements Saffron, well done!

Parking outside school.

Despite numerous newsletter pleas, due to the continued illegal parking/ drop offs occurring on the zigzag lines and blocking entrances, images maybe recorded and passed to the police. Additionally the school has requested police assistance to proactively prevent a potential accident to our pupils.



Attendance

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	School
92.9%	94.8%	94.3%	98.7%	88.4%	98.1%	96.6%	94.3%

Please remember to check the term dates at Cornwall.gov.uk before you or any family members book holidays for your children—Cornwall's term dates often differ from the rest of the country!

Dates for your diary:

14th February	INSET day
17th-21st February	February Half Term
27th March	Last day of Spring Term, school finishes at 1:30pm
14th April	First day of Summer Term
8th May	Bank Holiday—School closed
25th-29th May	May Half Term
21st July	Last day of Summer Term, school finishes at 1:30pm



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Dragonflies

This weeks star of the week is Amelia B well done Amelia!

Rosie bear has gone home with Talan, we hope Rosie bear is well-behaved for you Talan!

The children have completed the single phonic sounds of the Alphabet, they will be re-capping those next week before moving onto diagraphs.

Next week we will be reading Highway Rat. We will be looking at Chinese New Year and trying out new things to do with this topic.

We are planning to take part in Forest school activities every week.

Polite request: It would be helpful if your child is booked in for 9.00am start that you arrive no later than 9.10am, otherwise, late arrivals disturb Lorraine's register time.

Thank you

Damselflies

This week on the "Pot of gold" are Esme & Oscar, well done Esme & Oscar!

Benjamin bear is going home with Abel, we hope Benjamin is well-behaved for you Abel!

We are reading Goldilocks and the three bears .

Just a reminder to bring in some wellies and if your child has a waterproof suit we would appreciate it.

All children should come to nursery with named belongings, e.g. coat, closed toe shoes, socks, wellies, packed lunch box, drinks bottle, sun hat etc.

Please can I remind you to bring in nappies, wet wipes and it is always good to have plenty of changes of clothes.

Elaine Taylor

Nursery manager