



# Weekly Newsletter

Autumn 6, Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October  
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## This week's focus: Harvest Festival celebration



On Wednesday afternoon the hall was packed to the rafters for our annual celebration of harvest festival. Carn Brea class performed, 'The Sun Came Shinning Down'; Godolphin put in a cracker of a segment with 'Loaves of Bread and pudding and pies;

Trencom sang 'Thank your lucky Stars' then Tregonning class finished the assembly with, 'The Healthy Haberna'. We were treated to a poem from Emily then a short musical interlude from Tiffany and Emily S. All week food donations had been flooding into the school with some amazing fresh vegetables carefully grown on allotments and a huge amount of delicious goodies thoughtfully chosen by families. At the end of the celebration Mr Bailey (a school governor) led a harvest prayer before presenting the Gear Shield to Megan Denning for Endeavour. Then the year 5 and 6 pupils auctioned the food in their classroom. The children raised **£235.78** which will be donated to CPR Foodbank. Thank you for being so generous with your donations and subsequent auction expenses! Also, a massive thank you to Friends of Penponds School who baked a selection of scrumptious cakes to add to the auction.

## Year 1 and year 2 Multi-sports Festival at CSIA

Godolphin and Year One from Carn Brea Class went to Camborne School on Wednesday. We did lots of sports including hockey and team games like obstacle races. We also did bowling and hopping on spots. We loved having a go at football and afterwards we had a snack of bananas and got given a wristband!

By Hollie, Harrison and Lily.



## Dates for your diary:

- 20<sup>th</sup> Oct – INSET day – school closed to pupils
- 21<sup>st</sup> Oct – INSET day- school closed to pupils. End of half term.
- 31<sup>st</sup> Oct – back to school.
- 31<sup>st</sup> Oct – Bikeability for Y5/6
- 1<sup>st</sup> Nov – Bikability for Y5/6
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov – Play in a Day
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov – Bikeability for Y5/6
- 4<sup>th</sup> Nov – Bikeability for Y5/6
- 10<sup>th</sup> Nov – Withy Lantern construction
- 11<sup>th</sup> Nov – Withy Lantern construction
- 14<sup>th</sup> Nov – School photographs
- 14<sup>th</sup> Nov – Penponds Speaks 6pm start
- 15<sup>th</sup> Nov – Penponds Speaks 6pm start
- 18<sup>th</sup> Nov – Children In Need
- 9<sup>th</sup> Dec – Carol Concert at Camborne Wesley Chapel
- 15<sup>th</sup> Dec – Camborne Lantern Parade
- 16<sup>th</sup> Dec – Last day of term
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan – INSET day
- 4<sup>th</sup> Jan – Start of Spring term 2017

## This week's awards:

### Top Table:

Olivia, Harry M, Chelsea, Lemonie, Gina, Eddie and Josh

### Headteacher:

Ava, Harry P, Lemonie, Jack V

### Class Awards:

**Carn Brea:** Elijah, Eadie and Harry M

**Godolphin:** Jack B, Harrison, Jayden H, Vincent

**Trencom:** Fleur, Alfie, Ruby and Jayden

**Tregonning:** Emily S, Greg, Holly, Tiffany

**Player of the match:** Megan Denning

**Gear Shield for Endeavour:**

Megan Denning

### Attendance

Carn Brea: 97.33%

**Godolphin: 98.77% - Trophy**

Trencom: 97.58%

Tregonning: 90.68%



### Netball match report v St Meriadoc Juniors

On Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October we played a netball match verses St Meriadoc. The people who took part were; Bonnie, Paul, Emily J, Evie, Holly, Megan D, Gina and Emily S. In the first half we scored 8 times! I scored 6 goals and Emily J got 2. It was great fun and everyone was very friendly! After a while we stopped and switched places with each other. In the second half we scored 2 goals, with Emily J getting 1 and Megan J getting another goal. We all shook hands and showed good sportsmanship by cheering the other team 3 times. **By Bonnie.**

**Tregonning class ipads** This week Tregonning class have been taking home their ipads. The ipads are a great tool for learning and we are looking forward to seeing how the children's computing skills develop as the year progresses.

### School Council 2016

Councillors for 2016 are: Alex Carter, Heidi Manaton, Emily Wills, Jake Jenkins-Prail, Emily Stevens, Bonnie-May Gruber, Jack Bromige and Minnie Kitson

### School Priorities 2016-2017

The staff have been working hard with the Rainbow Multi-Academy trust and our school improvement advisors to establish our priorities for this year. They are: to raise the rates of progress for all pupils across the school; to increase the learning challenge in all lessons; to establish a learning environment that creates a 'Wow' factor. We will update you on our plans, actions and what impact we have had towards our priorities on a regular basis.



### Apple Pressing in Godolphin class

On Wednesday afternoon Eloise's mum brought in an Apple press (and a huge amount of apples) for the class to turn into freshly squeezed apple juice. The children washed, prepared and then pressed the apples to produce an absolutely delicious juice which was passed around for all to sample. A huge thank you to Tamsin Floyd for giving up her time to help the children with the apple press.



### Rainbow MAT London Trip, 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> June 2017

**There are still places available on the London trip for year 5 and year 6.** The trip takes in the Houses of Parliament, Lego Land, a West End show, the London Eye, a Thames boat trip, the Tower of London and St Pauls Cathedral. The cost of the trip is approximately £210. If you are still thinking about it please see Mr Richards ASAP as at **October half term the places will be offered to the other MAT schools.**

### Tag Rugby Club

Due to popular demand the school's tag rugby club will open to pupils in Year 1 and 2 after half term. Children will need old clothes or sports kit (not school PE Kit) and football/rugby boots. The club runs on the school field until 1615 on Mondays afterschool. As the weather changes please note that during training the children will get muddy! Please see Mrs Wood to add your child's name to the list. If there are any parents willing to dust off your old boots and help at the club it would be greatly appreciated.



### Governing body

School governors are people who want to make a positive contribution to children's education. Governors are one of the largest volunteer forces in the country and have an important part to play in raising school standards. The role of the governing board is absolutely key to the effectiveness of a school and acts as strategic oversight and challenge. We currently have 2 vacancies on our local governing body – you do not have to be a parent to become a governor. If you are interested in the role and wish to find out more please contact Mr Richards directly at: [head@penponds.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:head@penponds.cornwall.sch.uk)

### Secondary Transfer and Reception Places

If you have a child in Year 6 please make sure you have completed your child's secondary transfer form online by the 31<sup>st</sup> October 2016.

If you require a reception place for your child in September 2017 you must complete a form by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2017. N.B. If your child attends Little Acorns they will not automatically be given a place unless you complete the admissions process through Cornwall Council. You can apply online at [www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions).

For more information telephone 0300 1234 101

### PA and Lighting System in the school hall

The school is very fortunate to own a substantial selection of sound equipment and a lightning rig to assist the children during performances and assemblies. Much of this equipment needs sorting out; if there are any parents out there able to lend some technical advice and have time to join Mr Richards on a journey of discovery please email [secretary@penponds.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:secretary@penponds.cornwall.sch.uk) to arrange a suitable time.

### Building relationships with local business

We are keen to support local businesses, organisations and build relationships with our school community. If you would like to use this forum as a message board please email appropriate material to [secretary@penponds.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:secretary@penponds.cornwall.sch.uk). The school does not endorse or take responsibility for the accuracy of any messages in this forum.



### After School Primary Tuition

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