



Weekly Newsletter

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This week's focus: World book day! Yesterday, it was world book day! Everyone came to school dressed as their favourite book character. There was Harry Potters flying everywhere, Disney princesses prancing side to side and Dorothy's clicking their heels together. Tregonning and Trencom spent the day finalising their screen prints whilst Carn Brea and Godolphin made all sorts of edible delights. Thank you to all the parents who supported the children with their costumes – the turnout was fantastic.



Snuggledown On Thursday 2nd March our school did a 'snuggle-down'. We got into groups numbered one to seven. Then we went to a room in the school and teachers read us one of their favourite books. We all had a great time and we kept switching classrooms we got to read a line each in some rooms. After we had finished



reading we got to relax and drink hot chocolate with a lot of marshmallows. We also got a cookie. We got to dress up into our PJs and slippers. I recommend next time everyone should come. It was such an awesome evening! **By Bonnie-May Gruber**
Screen Printing with Kiwi Art Studio Yesterday morning Dena and Ellen had edited the drawings that Trencom and Tregonning class had previously completed and turned them into 'reverse acetate printing'. We had to ink our printing screens with a squeegee and push and pull the ink across the screen.

We used turquoise and dark blue colours to print our pictures onto paper. Everyone got four prints. Two prints went back to Kiwi Art Studio where Dena will comply them into a hand bound book. In approximately 2 weeks' time, the book will be ready! **By Tiffany Davis**



Dates for your diary:

6th Mar – Carn Brea and Godolphin class Eden trip
13th Mar – Tregonning trip to Wheal Martin
16th Mar – Space Odyssey Dome for Rainbow MAT at Penponds
20th Mar – Maths evening
22-23rd Mar – Parent meetings
24 Mar – Red Nose Day
25 Mar - Little Acorns Spring Fayre 10am – 12pm – Everyone welcome.
31st Mar – end of term

This week's awards:

Top Table: Eadie, Ben H, Ruby, Jack V
Headteacher: Elijah, Sophie J, James, Alfie W

Carn Brea: Charlie, Evie, Ava
Godolphin: Harrison, Chelsea, Harry
Trencom: Alice, David and Jasmine
Tregonning: Sophie, Josh, Charlie

Attendance:
Carn Brea: 95.56%
Godolphin: 98.35%
Trencom: 96%
Tregonning: 97.22%

Attendance Trophy:
Godolphin Class

Tregonning Pasty Day On Tuesday, Tregonning class came to school dressed as miners, bal-maidens or posh mine owners. Throughout the day, they focused on learning about the mining era as well as some children going out at a time and making pasties! Their teaching assistant chopped up the vegetables and beef and helped them to make their pasties the proper way. At the end of the day, the children had a chance to try their own pasties. They melted in their mouths and were very nice! **By Emily Stephens**



Junior Life Skills at Tolvaddon Fire station -

On Tuesday 28th all of the Year 5s went to the station and did loads of activities. First we met Weston Power Station and we found the different dangers in a diagram. Next we went to Trading standards. We each got an image and put them in which section we thought they would go in. We tried on some goggles and if you put them on you would have a vision of a drunk person! Our next station was the RNLI. We each tried some clothing that the RNLI

would wear. Suddenly a fire emergency bell and the firemen rushed in the fire truck and set off. Then we learnt about where to put your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms. Then we went to one of the most exciting stations, the fire truck. We had to try and fit all of the Year 5s in the fire truck, we were all really squished. Last but not least our last station. We learnt that a tissue box at 30 miles per hour feels like a

World Book Day - Book Aid

On World Book Day our school raised £58. Thank you for everyone's contributions and wonderful costumes and artistry!

Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers

We are now collecting active sports vouchers from Sainsbury's to help us buy new sports and cooking equipment for the children. Our collection box is situated just inside the sliding door of the foyer. Please send in the vouchers with the children. Many thanks for your support.

Quote of the day:

Teaching Vacancy

We are now advertising for Miss Berry's maternity cover in our reception/year 1 class. Please see:

<http://www.penponds.cornwall.sch.uk/web/vacancies/247799>

School Text Messaging Service

We are now able to text message parents; we will start using this service in the coming weeks. Initially only urgent texts will be sent, e.g. if a football game is cancelled. For more details, please see:

http://www.penponds.cornwall.sch.uk/web/text_messaging_service

**Parent's meetings – save the date
Parents Evenings**

brick and us at 30 miles per hour are a charging rhino! Finally we went back to Penponds School. **By Evie Wright**

Youth Speaks Good luck to Gregory, Emily J and Emily S who have made it through to the Youth Speaks district final in Newquay tomorrow afternoon. The team are up against schools from across the southwest and the standard has been extremely high. Go for it! Bring back the bling!

Penponds Family Festival Logo Competition!

We would like the first ever Penponds Family Festival logo to be designed by a Penponds pupil. This competition is open to every class and the children have two weeks to get creative as the closing date is Friday 17th March. Miss Oxford and Mrs Homes will have the tricky task of selecting the winning entry. Just look out for the entry form which will be given to the children to take home. So get the pens and pencils out children and get creative for the first ever Penponds Family Festival Logo competition! Good Luck.

The **'Extreme Reading Challenge'** is simple. Make sure as parents you are reading with your child as much as possible during the week and sign their diaries. On a Friday any child who has read every day that week at home will have their name put into a draw for some, 'Extreme Reading' prizes. If possible, include a photo of them reading a book in an interesting location! Good-luck everyone!

Maths Evening for Parents, Monday 20th March at 5.30pm – Save the date

We are organising a Maths evening to explain how maths is taught in school. Parents will get a chance to see how the strategies differ from their own education by visiting maths stalls run by the children in the hall. The plan is to hold the meeting in the evening to enable working parents to attend and then another meeting in the summer term during the school day.

Penponds Church

Penponds Church are planning a Saturday afternoon tea on April 22nd, as part of fundraising and to raise the profile of St George.

There will be cakes, stalls and activities. Children are invited to submit drawings or posters of dragons!

Our spring term parent meetings will take place on **Wednesday 22nd March and Thursday 23rd March**. Instead of the format of Learning Reviews which took place in the autumn term, the spring term meetings will be a more traditional parent meeting with teachers available for booking 10 minute slots in the hall and books/work on display in the classrooms. Individual class teachers will send out a letter detailing the arrangements next week.

Quote of the Week:

If you live to be a hundred, I want to live to be a hundred minus one day, so I never have to live a day without you
- **Winnie the Pooh.**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Get set... we're taking part in The Big Pedal 2017, the UK's largest inter-school cycling and scooting challenge that inspires pupils, staff and parents to choose two wheels for their journey to school.

The challenge runs from **20 to 31 March**. It's free to enter and we would love everyone to be involved.

The details On each day of the challenge schools compete to see who can record the greatest number of pupils, staff and parents cycling or scooting to school. Our best 5 days will determine our final position in the challenge. We'll be competing against other schools right across the UK, and if we clock up the most bike and scooter journeys we'll win!

Why we're taking part It's a great way to get more of our pupils travelling to school on their bikes and scooters. We will be competing to become one of the UK's top schools for two-wheeled journeys and will be in with a chance to win prizes including bike and scooter stunt shows and fantastic cycle and scooter storage.

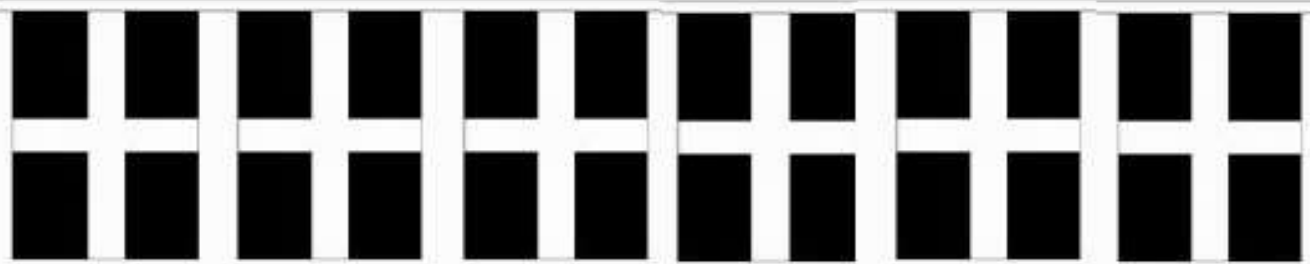
What's next? All you need to do is encourage your children to cycle or scoot to school every day during the event, and join them on their way – parent and sibling journeys count too!

For more information about the event go to www.bigpedal.org.uk



Please get in touch if you have any questions.
Enjoy the ride!

Mr Richards



1st Annual Redruth



St Pirans Festival Show



SATURDAY 4TH MARCH 2017

TO BE HELD AT MARKET WAY AND THE BUTTER MARKET

Deadline for receipt of completed entry forms is 17th February

**Schedule of Classes & entry
forms can be collected from:-**



90 Fore Street,
Redruth

Or



REDRUTH TOWN COUNCIL

The Chambers,
Penryn Street

Or downloaded from www.visitredruth.co.uk



Little Acorns Pre-school, Penponds School, Comborne, TR14 0QN

VACANCY

Pre-school Assistant (Bank/Cover Staff)

Are you a caring, motivated person who would like to join a well established pre-school setting? We are looking for someone flexible who would be able to work as a pre-school assistant at short notice as well as being booked in advance to cover staff sickness, training and busy periods.

Minimum level 2 childcare qualifications preferred.

We are committed to safeguarding children and the successful applicant will be required to undertake an enhanced criminal records disclosure check.

For further information, an application pack or to visit the setting please contact Claire King, Manager or Jo Eastman, Business Manager on 01209 718990
Or email littleacorns2004@btconnect.com

Closing date* Friday 10th March 2017



Yellow Yarn PowerFlower Challenge!



You are invited to knit or crochet a yellow yarn flower,
put a pin on the back + add a 'goodwill message' tag.

Flowers will be displayed on 29th April during Camborne Trevithick Day, in
the 'sTEAM PARTY cafe' then distributed amongst festival goers in the afternoon

You may use any pattern that you like

Finished flowers can be left at the XANADU collection point in Trelowarren St.