SENNEN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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ATTENDANCE A.M: Aire 95%

Brisons 98.9% Longships 100% Cowloe 98.6%

AIRE CLASS - Finally ... we got to the beach! Many thanks to Dave Muir for the Beach Clean, and for the parent helpers who accompanied us. The weather was kind on Wednesday, and we all wished we had spent longer at the beach. The children were very careful walking down the path and looking for beach rubbish on the rocks. Many families stayed longer on the beach, some doing more beach cleaning. The children have enjoyed doing their follow-up work at school. Last week, we had to postpone this trip because of the weather, but nothing daunted, we got our waterproofs on and went in the garden to make our potions. Some parents at the Open Afternoon were even brave enough to smell these! This activity really helped children focus on using their senses to explore smaller aspects of the garden, and has also inspired lots of follow-up work. In the garden we have also started to make a bamboo house, using our homegrown natural material. In Maths lessons we continue to explore quantities and numbers in many different ways, laying a secure foundation for addition and subtraction after half-term.

AIRE LEARNING LEGENDS

27/09/2019 Rosie, for an amazing positive attitude towards her work in Year 1, really listening well and trying hard independently. Very resourceful and resilient!

04/10/2019 Alanna, for showing lots of independence and determination when carrying her belongings herself to the beach, and for always taking part enthusiastically in our activities.

BRISONS CLASS - The children have displayed such wonderful creativity while making their shields this week, and we're very much looking forward to using these during a role play on our Roman Day (Wednesday 9th). The children will be sampling a selection of Roman foods on this day, so we would be very grateful to receive a donation of 50p per child. Thank you for your anticipated support. Don't forget

that the children can dress up as Romans on this day, but this is purely optional. The children are also very excited about opening up our classroom and showcasing their learning to parents on the morning of 16th October 11-12.00. We hope you've received your invites and are able to attend. The children have worked hard in English this week to edit and improve their invitations along with adding illustrations. We've enjoyed reading a Roman Diary and the children are really getting to grips with our reading VIPERS. In Maths we have been continuing our work on place value and have started to count pounds and pence very accurately. Another excellent hard working week, well done Brisons!

BRISONS LEARNING LEGENDS

27/09/2019 Jemima for giving 100% at everything and for making huge improvements with her handwriting and general presentation.
04/10/2019 Olivia and Ethan for bringing in their instruments and giving such a spectacular performance of three pieces of music to Brisons class.

Longships have been working on our recount writing. We have been using powerful vocabulary such as 'audacious' and 'gruelling' to make our writing more exciting and have used editing stations to make sure our work is the best that it can be. In maths we have looked at place value of 4 digit numbers and have begun to look at rounding rules. This has meant a lot of resilience in the lessons! We have been using the website 'Go Noodle' to start each day with physical activity, which we have really enjoyed and it has felt great to get active. Some of them are keen to use it at home, there is no fee for the website so they care free to explore it as they wish.

LONGSHIPS LEARNING LEGENDS

27/09/2019 Maison for using ambitious vocabulary when writing about Gladiators this week - it was a pleasure to read!

04/10/2019 Riley for working tirelessly to produce writing with wonderful vocabulary. Your editing and improving skills really shone through - Well done!

COWLOE CLASS - We have written our Science Fiction stories based on the picture book Beegu, a lost alien on Earth. I look forward to reading them all! In Maths, we have continued our learning about numbers to one million and how we can represent them in a variety of ways. We are focussing on our explanations using mathematical vocabulary in order to really master the concepts. In our topic, we have been learning about the Space Race and the history of Space exploration. The children enjoyed creating a timeline of events and will be writing about the moon landings next week. We had a fantastic time last week at Porthcurno Telegraph Museum and the children participated in the workshop and found out the names of the planets in Cornish! COWLOE LEARNING LEGENDS 27/09/2019 Ava has worked super hard in her writing and always listening carefully to instructions. She has shown great teamwork by always offering to help others who may be stuck. Well done Ava! 04/10/2019 Martha. Martha worked brilliantly with her Talk Partner, showing patience and kindness. Her explanations were clear and showed her own excellent understanding. Well done Marthal

FROM THE HEADTEACHER;

We have had another busy few weeks at Sennen and the children have enjoyed some great cross curricular learning. The school is looking lovely with lots of displays going up that celebrate the children's successes. Thank you so much to everyone who came along to our open afternoon on Monday, the teachers said that it was really lovely to chat to you all informally and the children were thrilled to show their work. This is definitely something that we would like to do more regularly.

I have updated the website this week with all the term dates for the whole year. If you look on the bottom right hand corner you will see the calendar and then you need to click on 'view events' to get a full list. We will keep adding to these dates with special events.

Next Friday we are lucky enough to be having John Brolly come in and do some Shakespeare workshops with the children. The aim is that at the end of the day they are able to perform the show to you all, so this will replace celebration assembly next week. I will send out timings early next week.

Parents of Brisons and Cowloe

As part of our Roman WOW day next week, we intend to try some 'Roman' food. We are asking for a donation of 50p to help fund this, please can the children bring it into school early next week.

The winning house last week was Maen with 399 house points, Vellandreath had 367 and Gwynver 356. Teddy had the most points for Maen, Milo for Vellandreath and Emlyn for Gwynver.

The winning house this week is Vellandreath with 471 house points, Gwynver had 425 and Maen 414. Jowan had the most points for Vellandreath, Martha for Gwynver and Brooke for Maen - well done everyone!

WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK?

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FRI Cowloe swimming

FOSS

Dear Parents,

For those of you that are new to Sennen School, we wanted to tell you a little about FOSS - Friends of Sennen School, what we do and how you can get involved.

FOSS raises much needed funds that help towards school trips, extra equipment to enhance teaching and play, as well as organising fun events for the children to enjoy. Last year FOSS organised a Halloween Party, a Christmas Fair, refreshments at Sports Day and more. However, as children leave to go to Secondary school, so do the parents that help. Therefore, in order to continue being able to support the school and ensure that these events can go ahead, we really need all parents to get involved. Involvement can be as small as making cakes, to organising a fun new event for all to enjoy. No matter how big or small, it all goes towards muchneeded funds and making the school more fun and enjoyable place.

We are would like to invite you to a meeting next Tuesday 8th October at 3.15 pm in school to discuss the Christmas Fair and the ways you might like to get involved. (There will be biscuits and colouring to keep the children entertained!)

We look forward to seeing you there, FOSS