

Headteacher's message

Well this term sure is flying by now! The children have had another successful week with lots of wonderful learning going on. The children have worked really hard on their assessments and have shown great resilience, they should feel very proud!

Thank you so much for all the bags of clothes donated this week, I am yet to find out the total amount but I will pass it onto you as soon as I know. I would also like to thank you for your very generous bids on our online auction, we have raised a great deal of money already and there is still lots to go! Thank you to Steph for all your hard work in organising.

Here are the plans for the next 2 weeks:

<u>Christmas cards—</u>Due the trying to keep everything in bubbles, we are asking that children do not bring in Christmas cards for children who are not in their bubble. They can bring them into class at any point and we will be distributing them at our bubble parties.

<u>Christmas performances—</u>Unfortunately we have been advised that we should be avoiding a Christmas performance this year, even if it takes place outside. We are very sad about it but it makes sense to not risk our Christmas holidays when we have managed to avoid any cases up to now. We would still like the children to do something special in their classes that we can send home to you but we need to be mindful of safeguarding concerns. We would be sending the video out to you via email, it would not be put on our website and we would ask that it is not shared on social media.

If you DO NOT want your child to appear in a video at school, please either speak to myself or the class teacher so that we can make necessary adaptations.

<u>Christmas parties</u>—We will be holding bubble Christmas parties on Thursday 17th December in the afternoon. We have been very kindly gifted some money from the Sennen Crowdfunder and will be using it to provide something special.

<u>Christmas dinner day</u>—This will be on Wednesday 16th in our bubbles, children can come to school in something Christmassy if they wish!

<u>Food for families Penzance</u>—We will be placing a food bank box in the entrance hall at school next week to collect any donations to support families in need this Christmas. They would like Christmas sweet treats, cakes, puddings, tinned fruit, mince pies, nibbles, soft drinks, stuffing and tinned meant and veg—anything to make a lovely Christmas treat for a family. Any donations are gratefully received. Aire class are doing their own reverse advent calendar so they can take their donations into class.

I think that's all for now, I'm sure there will be more to add! Have a great weekend everyone!

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Important dates:

- Wednesday 16th December—
 Christmas dinner day
- Thursday 17th December Bubble Christmas parties
- Friday 18th December—finish at 1.00
- Monday 4th January—INSET day, no children in school
- Tuesday 5th January—First day back for children

Learning Legends & special mentions

<u>Aire</u>— Ebin for his brilliant focus in his learning (especially phonics!) and for being a very kind classmate.

<u>Brisons</u>— Charlie for fantastic subject knowledge in our work on electricity this week and using great team work in helping your friends understand.

<u>Longships</u>— Marah for always being so positive and enthusiastic about her learning. You always try your best and give such thoughtful responses. We also love how kind you are to others. Keep being your amazing self!

<u>Cowloe</u> - Cowloe Learning Legend is Logan. Logan has worked so hard to be focused, and has shown great resilience in all of our learning this week. I am super impressed with his positive attitude in French! Keep it up Logan!

Important notices

- Do you know someone with a child who will start school next year? Over the weekend I will be posting a video on our website that you can share with anyone you know. The children have worked very hard and produced something lovely. Anyone who is interested can also come in to have a look around after school hours.
- ⇒ The play equipment is closed Mon—Fri, including straight after school. It will be left open after school on Fridays and closed again on Monday morning.
- ⇒ PE days will be WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY, please come in your kit for those days.
- ⇒ Please make sure you have signed up to Google Classrooms. Details can be found on our website under 'home learning—guidance for online portals—Google Classroom 2020.



Aire class round up

Christmas cheer has been in full flow in Aire this week! The children loved decorating the classroom and the creative area is bursting with card making and present wrapping! In English, we enjoyed sharing the stories Stickman and The Jolly Christmas Postman. We have imagined ourselves as Stickman sending postcards to his family tree and have written list and letters for Father Christmas. We also read the book 'It's a No Money Day' and discussed how we could show kindness at Christmas. We were so impressed by the children's thoughtfulness and maturity! We have decided to have a Reverse Advent Calendar - so everyone can bring in one item for the local Food Bank before the end of term if they so wish. In Maths, Reception have learnt about squares and rectangles and Year 1 have compared addition statements. We are very proud of how all the children are trying so hard in all areas of their learning!







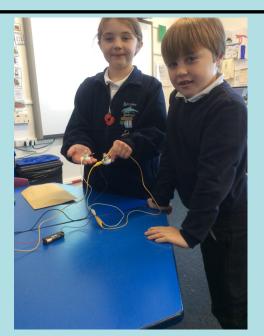
Brisons class round up

This week has been a very busy week in Brisons class. In maths we have been looking at addition and subtraction and have been practising exchanging using base 10 and place value counters. It has taken a lot of practise but we have got there in the end! In English we have been looking at a book called 'Dear Polar Bear' and have been recapping expanded noun phrases and writing detailed settings descriptions. Their language was very impressive and their writing was so beautifully written, we are both so very proud of them.

In science they have been building circuits and trying to work out how switches work. They will be using this for an exciting DT project!

Next week we will be starting our Phonics Screening check. They know nothing about the set up of this, just that I will be asking them to come and look at some 'Alien words' with me, we don't want it to be something that they worry about. Keep practising the words on Google classroom, there are a few new ones on there this week.







Longships class round up

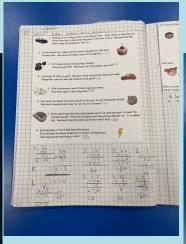
This week we have worked hard on developing our subtraction strategies through using number lines, Base 10 and place value counters. In English, we have written dialogue for characters using inverted commas, and were incredibly imaginative when describing the setting of our story 'Journey'. In Science, we made switches to be able to turn on and off electrical circuits before changing the materials within the switch to investigate whether they were conductors or insulators. We have also created designs for shaky hand testers this week which use our newly acquired electrical knowledge. We hope to make these next week.



Cowloe class round up

This week we have been looking closely at our local environment and discussed the population of Sennen, and what jobs people might have. We collated this data and then produced the information in a graph. We have also discussed the environmental dangers on our area and designed some fab posters. We hope to become more eco-friendly in the New Year! The children have taken some formal assessments this week and have shown great resilience, which is brilliant!







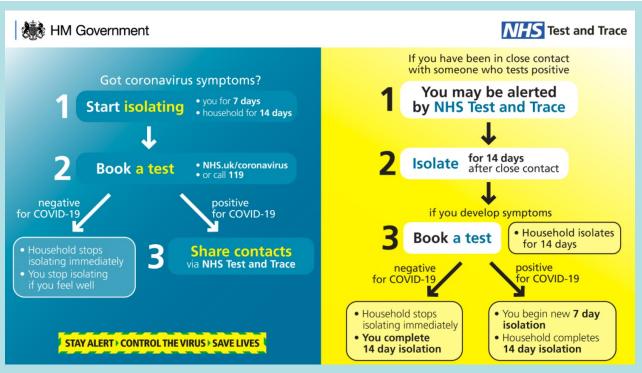


Covid updates:

Please see the website for latest guidance http://www.sennen.cornwall.sch.uk/website/covid_guidance/504702

Managing illness

Symptom	Action
Temperature New, continuous cough (NHS describes this as having at least 3 'coughing fits' in 24 hrs) Loss of taste or smell	 Do not come to school, contact school to notify Follow Covid 'Stay at home guidance' Contact NHS 111 or visit NHS 111 online and arrange a Covid test If negative, return to school once well enough If positive, continue follow 'Stay at home guidance'
Vomiting and / or diarrhoea	 Do not come to school, contact school to notify Contact NHS 111 or visit NHS 111 online for advice If a Covid test is not needed, children must be 48hrs clear of symptoms to return to school (as was previously)
Sore throat Headache Fatigue Runny Nose	 If well enough in themselves, children are able to attend. If 2 or more symptoms are present, or if you are feeling concerned, please ring 111 or visit NHS 111 online for advice before sending to school.





Lunch Menu

Children will be asked what they would like each day by their teacher. Children in year R—2 get infant free school meals and it is £2.49 for the rest of the school, other than for those pupils who have been awarded income based free school meals.



NB—Wednesday of Week 3 should say Roast Turkey!