

Grampound Road Village C of E School

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Together with Love, we can Inspire, Discover and Thrive

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As another busy week at Grampound Road draws to a close I can reflect on all the events from the last fortnight. The children settled in well after the Easter break and many have shared some of their happy memories of precious family time spent together. It was a proud moment when the young writers were awarded their certificates from the Rotary club and I am extremely delighted that Phoebe achieved second place, she was very brave and read her story out in collective worship. Public speaking can be a worry for some children and adults alike, but with a little practice and resilience it can be a fulfilling experience. Fear can be the gateway to opportunity.

We have welcomed Cornish pirates who are leading rugby for our KS2 children which has been well received, the children are loving the opportunity to learn with the professions. Staff received some emotion training which was delivered by two education psychologists, this was attended by most staff and will help us to support the children so that everyone can thrive. This week we are having the RNLI visit school to talk about water/beach safety, this is an essential part of the children's learning and something we want all children to be aware of.

Next week we are inviting year 6 parents to a meeting to share information about SATs.

The children are having some booster sessions, with only 2 weeks to go before the tests.

Mrs Bray is teaching some additional writing lessons with the year 6 children, she is a very inspiration teacher and she has a great rapport with the children. All in all it has been a good couple of weeks.

Head of school Stars of the week Head teacher staff star of the week goes to Mrs Warne for resilience and for a superb work ethic. Head teacher pupil star of the week goes to Charlie for resilience when faced with an injury and for excellent attendance.

pendeen

We have had a lovely week in Pendeen. It has been nice to have the sun shining for the start of our topic 'Sunshine and Sunflowers'. The children have planted sunflower seeds and we have been talking about the seeds needing sunshine, water and soil to help them grow. In RE this week the children have been

thinking about how churches are special places for Christians. We have started our athletics topic in PE, the children have enjoyed learning to use hurdles and

learning to run in a relay race. Thank you to those parents who have sent in

family photos for the picture frames that the children have been making in PSHE, if there is anyone who has not yet done this please send them in as a private message on class dojo.

Many thanks

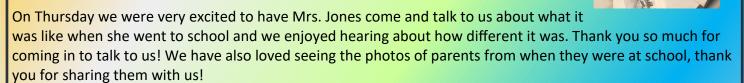
Mrs. Wilton





Trevose

We have had a great start to summer term! We enjoyed making the most of the sunshine last week going outside to make observations of different plants and how they have changed since January. We have also been identifying different wild plants in our school grounds.



Well done for a great start to the term, Trevose!











Tater Du

Tater Du have had a wonderful week and have really embraced their rugby sessions with the Cornish Pirates! The children all try their best and show how well they work as a team.

In Maths, Year 3 are back to working on a new unit of fractions and Year 4 are working on decimals. In RE, we were discussing the Creation story and exploring what 'good' means. In science, we discussed safety around electricity in the home and what we should not do. We then identified dangers and made a safety poster.

In literacy, we are starting our independent diary entry writes this week based on a book character and in history we are exploring the first writing systems of Ancient Civilisations.





















This week in literacy, the been writing their own adventure story where the focus has been using dialogue to move the story along, and how dialogue conveys what a character is like. The children have responded well to this and in all of the stories, every child has demonstrated that they understand how writers use these techniques to keep the reader interested and 'in the dark' about some things. In history, the children have been continuing with their new Greek topic by investigating certain artefacts from different periods in Greek history to determine what they can tell us about life in their culture. In maths, year 5 have begun looking at line graphs and tables with increasing complexity as part of their statistics unit. They can all see the value of presenting information in different ways to make it easily accessible. Year 6 children have finished their fractions, decimals and percentages unit and are now looking at areas of shapes, which will then lead into volume problems. In RE, the children have been looking the book of Exodus and the ten plagues of Egypt, thinking about why God sent these to punish the Egyptians. In PE, the children have continued to enjoy their tag rugby lessons with the Cornish Pirates coach – long may the fine weather continue. It has been a busy week with Year 6 doing a lot more SATs revision for their tests which begin on May 13th. The children can see their own progress and are demonstrating a mature attitude towards the extra learning – well done.









THE GOOD SAMARITAN



Our Good Samaritan awards this week go to

Pendeen Class- Arthur for being such a kind and caring friend

Trevose Class-Seren for being helpful and kind. Tater Du Class-Harrison for always helping without being asked.

Wolf Rock Class - Lilly-Grace - for volunteering to tidy the playground trolley full-time.



Parking at school

Please can we ask all parents and carers or any family members that are authorised to collect your children to refrain from

parking in front of the main school gates at any time of the day but

especially at pick up time.

We have members of staff that

need to leave the premises quickly at the end of the day and it needs to be clear in case of emergency.

We would like to ask members of the public to be courteous to all our staff.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.



* STARS OF THE WEEK*

Class	Star of the week	Values	Whole Class
Name		Trust	
Р	Alice	JJ	Class award
E	for trying	for showing that he	for
N	really hard in her learning	can be trusted to do	showing
D	this week	the right thing	respect to the classroom
E		A	resources .
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Т	Flora	Vesper	Class award
R	for your fantastic attitude	for trusting in	for super
E	to learning	others	questioning of
V	A	A	characters from our
0			story in literacy.
S			
E			
Т	Elwin	Thomas G	Class award
Α	for always	because I can	Well done
Т	showing	always trust you to	for your
E	great focus	work hard.	independent
R	and		literacy work.
	determination.		interacy work.
D			
U	Miles for your increased	Hawley,	Classassusad
W	Miles for your increased spelling accuracy in	Harley because I	Class award
O L	your independent writing and	can always trust	for engaging with
F	Edith for her incredible	that he will	your narrative
F R	achievements in Fresh Start.	engage with	writing with such enthusiasm.
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School Uniform

At Grampund Road we think it is important that the children look smart in school that they wear the correct uniform. We have pre-loved uniforms available which are good quality and free for anyone.

Please ensure that you label EVERYTHING with your child's name!

Our school uniform is as follows:-

White Polo shirt

Grampound Road sweatshirt with school logo or navy-blue sweatshirt or cardigan

Black or grey trousers / skirts

Sensible black shoes (not coloured trainers)

Coat

Book Bag from the office (for younger children)

P.E kit—black or navy blue shorts or joggers (plain, no colour or white stripe or logos), blue polo shirt and plimsolls or black trainers (no coloured trainers) During the Summer terms, girls may like to wear a blue & white checked dress. Items of jewellery should not be worn Ear studs are permissible but may not be worn for P.E. If they cannot be removed they will be taped over Long hair should be tied up securely Nail polish is not permitted

If teachers notice that a child is not wearing the school uniform, they will let the office know and the secretary will contact parents.

Thank you for your understanding.



Dates for your diary

May

Wednesday 1st- Benchball @ The Roseland Year 5 & 6 (letters to go out)

Sth May Bank Holiday

Friday 17th May—Royal Cornwall Museum (letters to go out Monday 29th April)

Wednesday 22nd May—Sports Day

Tuesday 21st- World Diversity Day

May half term—27th May

June

Wednesday 5th June—Global Surfing (Wolf Rocks Class)

July

Monday 1st July—Eden Project Pendeen and Trevose (TBC)

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Monday 8th—Reports

Wednesday 17th-Friday 19th July KS2 Porthpean residential

Summer holidays begin Friday 19th July

Return to school Wednesday 4th September 2024

OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Office opening hours have now been extended by 15 minutes on Monday to Wednesday to allow more time for parents to contact of visit the office.

Monday 8.15am—3.30pm (closed for lunch 12—12.15)

Tuesday 8.15am—3.30pm (closed for lunch 12—12.15)

Tuesday 8.30am—3.30pm (closed for lunch 12.30-1pm)

Friday 8.30am—3.30pm (as above)



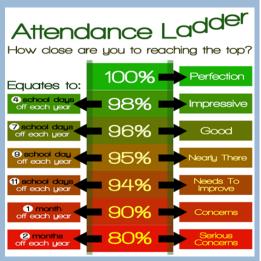
ATTENDANCE

Expected average attendance for a child is 96.1%. Our attendance figures for last week were as follows:

Pendeen: 95.1% Trevose: 94.2 % Tater Du: 95.3 % Wolfrock: 95.9 %

In accordance with our attendance policy we will be sending some children home with attendance letters during the term to help keep you informed of your child's attendance in line with the new RAG (red, amber, green system). Below are the band widths, as a reminder, if your child falls into one of these coloured bands a letter will be sent home.

GREEN Band 96% to 93% **AMBER** Band 93% to 90% **RED** Band Below 90% (PERSISTENT ABSENTEE) This is a government definition.



How to contact us:

The office is open Monday-Friday 8.30am-3.30pm (lunch time for office staff is 12.30—1pm)

Outside these hours, please leave a message on the answer machine or email grd-secretary@Rainbowacademy.org.uk. We will endeavour to answer your emails during office hours.

Contact the class teachers through dojo or if you would like to speak to the class teacher or head of school please call to make an appointment. Dismissing pupils at the end of the day is a very busy time, if you would like to discuss something in detail please call the office between the above hours and we will pass the message onto the teacher. We thank you for your patience and understanding.

Supporting young people, and their families, with positive mental health

We recognise that this time of national lockdown may be difficult for children and young people. How a child or young person reacts to being away from school, and their normal routine, may vary according to their age,

understanding, their previous experience of lockdown and how they typically cope with stress. Addressing the mental health of your child, and those in your family, can be supported with some of the following resources:

Public Health England have produced the following set of guidance for parents and carers: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19
-guidance-on-supporting-children-and-young-peoples-mental-health-and-wellbeing

Every Mind Matters: A website that explores expert advice and practical tips to help you look after your mental health and wellbeing: https://www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/

May we remind you that, if you have concerns about your child's wellbeing, or the wellbeing or safeguarding of another pupil, please contact the school immediately on: Miss S Kennedy 01726 882646

Collection at home time

Any children not collected on time will go to the school office after 5 minutes at pick up and wait to be collected. Parents/Carers will need to go to the office to collect them from there and sign the Late Pick Up Register.

Eg. Trevose pick up time is 3.10pm if not collected by then they will be in the office from 3.15pm.

If your child is not collected by 3.30pm they will then go to the wraparound club. A fee will be charged via ParentPay for late pick up to cover staffing costs.

Thank you.

Drop off and pick up times

Meet and greet at the gate at 8.45am

Once the gate is closed at 8.55am children must be signed in at the office by the adult (unless they walk to school then the pupil will sign in the book)

- 3.10pm Pendeen collected from pedestrian gate.
- 3.10pm Trevose collected from pedestrian gate.
- 3.15pm Tater Du and Wolfrock collected from pedestrian gate.

School uniform must be worn at all times.

New school mobile 07442 731742