

*Together with Love, we can Inspire, Discover and Thrive*

**15th September 2023**

## MESSAGE FROM MISS KENNEDY

Good afternoon,

I hope everyone has had a good week, I know we have had a very productive week in school, all the children have engaged well in their learning. I have just had a meeting with some parents to discuss how to improve parental engagement and I have come away with some lovely ideas to discuss with staff. One idea is to have an open afternoon at the end of each half term to share the learning, and then we can include the parent's forum at the end of the session. I hope that this might increase numbers who attend the sessions. We also discussed the new SENDCo, Mrs Westland started at Grampound Road last week. During her first session she spent time in classes getting to know the children and familiarising herself with the SEND needs in our school. This week she spent time supporting staff. In time, Mrs Westland will meet parents and be a familiar face in school. She works at Grampound Road every Wednesday and we are very lucky to have such an experienced new staff member in our school. Mrs Bray and Mrs Maker have done a wonderful job in Trevoze covering Miss Eastham who is absent, thank you both.

**Drinks bottles and packed lunches**—Please can children bring water in the drinks bottle, it is much healthier than juice which can add to tooth decay. We would also ask for parents/carers to provide healthy packed lunches which will give the children the necessary nutrients that they need to be healthy. We accept one treat, but please can that be limited and please do not put any sweets in the lunch box. Mid-morning children can bring in fruit for snack time, but they are not permitted to have other things such as crisps.

A letter will be sent out next week about the residential camp for Tater Du and Wolf Rock.

**Enjoy the green and the blue spaces that our glorious county provides this weekend.**

### Head of school Stars of the week

**Head teacher pupil star of the week** goes to Connie in Trevoze class for being a diligent and motivated learner who inspires others.

**Head teacher staff star of the week** goes to Mrs Godwin who has covered Mrs Wright's absence since November 2022. It is great to have Mrs Wright back in school, but sad that Mrs Godwin will be back to working part-time from next week. Mrs Godwin you have been epic and we salute you!

# Pendeen

We have welcomed the new children into Pendeen class. They have done such a good job of settling in and making friends. The children have learnt the class rules and have been helping each other remember to 'Choose it, Use it, Put it away'. We have been learning where things are in the classroom and how to look after the resources. The children have drawn self-portraits to put up in the classroom and have made faces using the loose parts in the classroom. We have started learning our sounds in our phonics and the children have brought sounds home to practice writing at home. Well done children for settling in so well.

Mrs. Wilton



# Trevose

In Trevose class this week we have been using our senses to describe the forest setting from the story Little Red Riding Hood. In Maths the Year 1 children have been counting from any number, 1 more and recognising numbers as words.

The Year 2 children have been learning place value, and writing numbers in numerals and words. In Geography we have been doing work on maps and locating things. We have been drawing and making our own ones.



We are super proud of all the children in Trevose class for settling in so well and working so hard.





# Tater Du



The new Tater Du class have been settling in so wonderfully together and are already a great team!

In maths, Year 3 have been learning place value in hundreds and Year 4 have been learning place value in thousands.

In literacy, we have been using expanded noun phrases, preposition and exploring well-chosen vocabulary in preparation for our setting description writing next week.

We have begun our history topic on the Anglo-Saxons and started exploring nutrition in science.

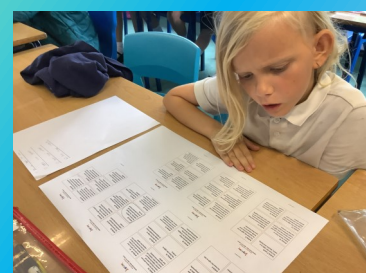
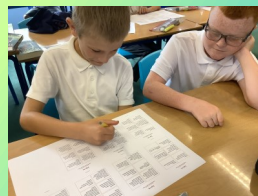
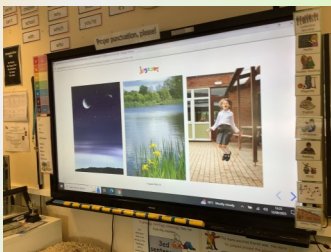
We started singing Mamma Mia in our music lessons and it is proving to be a popular song in Tater Du!

Have a great weekend 😊



# Wolf Rock

This week, in Wolf Rock, the children have been learning about rainforests and their importance to the Earth. They have learnt about biomes, climate zones and vegetation belts and understand why rainforests are located where they are around the globe. In science, the children have been learning about the fossilization process and have begun to understand how the conditions need to be just right for this process to occur. They have been introduced to the significance of the fossil record, which is the only way scientists can make links between creatures past and present. In literacy, the children have begun studying reptiles and their significance in the evolution theory – they will be writing a report all about reptiles as their first large piece of writing. In maths, the children's knowledge and understanding of place value has been furthered as children have been introduced to the concept of 'powers of ten' In PSHE, the children have been learning about what it means to be a citizen of this world, and their rights as individuals. Learning about tolerance and respect has been a key focus!



## THE GOOD SAMARITAN



### Our Good Samaritan awards this week go to

Pendeen Class– Ben for helping others when needed.

Trevoise Class- Evie For showing kindness to her friend.

Tater Du Class- Harry for always helping both his classmates and the adults.

Wolf Rock Class - All Year 6 and 5 children who have been looking after their Reception buddies this week and putting their needs first.



## September birthdays

We would like to wish the following children a happy birthday as they celebrate their birthday this month.

Isaac P, Thomas G, Robyn A, Leah F and Harley C

### INSET DAYS

24th November 2023

22nd, 23rd, 24th July 2024

SAT'S 2024 WEEK

COMMENCING 13th—16th  
May 2024

Multiplication check Year 4 is  
Monday 3rd June







Harvest is a special time of year when schools and churches give thanks for the food supplied by farmers and producers. It is also one of the most important times of the year for Truro Foodbank as it enables us to restock our shelves. The past year has been a real struggle for many families and requests for emergency food help in the Truro area have increased.

We would be extremely grateful for donations of food and household items to help those in need over the winter months. The following items are examples of what we need:

- Long-life milk
- Squash or cordials (e.g. orange or blackcurrant)
- Tinned cold meat
- Tinned meat in sauce
- Tinned meat pies/puddings
- Tins of carrots or sweetcorn
- Tins of pineapple or mandarin oranges
- Tins of custard
- Small jars of coffee
- Laundry liquid/powder

We have a reasonable stock of the following items so need less of these:

- Packets of rice
- Tinned potatoes
- Baked beans
- Tins of peas

## Dates for your diary

Every Wednesday our SENDCo Mrs Wedstland is on site

After school clubs start Monday 18th September

Monday KS2 Board Games—Mrs Wilton

Monday KS1 Running Club—Mrs Wicks

Tuesday KS2 Netball—Mrs Maker

Tuesday KS1 Creative Club—Mrs Prins

Wednesday Wild Tribe—Mrs Wicks

Thursday KS2 Mixed Athletics—Mr Hollebon

Thursday KS1 Dodgeball—Mrs Wilson

Choir for KS2 is every Thursday 12-12.30 Mrs Ward

Please can we remind you that child can only attend one after school club to make this fair for everyone. We are happy to put names down on a waiting list if someone does not attend.

## September

Tuesday 26th Class photography Siblings and families at 8.30 and individual from 9am onwards.

Every Thursday—Miss Katie Bell Dance Club—book direct with Miss Katie

## October

Tuesday 3rd—Year 1 Hearing test

Friday 13th—Wolf Rock Class Eden Project (letters to go out)

Monday 16th—Netball at The Roseland TBC

Week beginning 13th—Book fair all week TBC

Wednesday 18th—Harvest Festival 9.30 am

Half term 23rd October to 27th October

Monday 30th—Pendeen Maths Forum @ 3.30pm

Monday 30th Wolf Rock swimming each day all week

Tuesday 31st—Trevose Maths Forum @ 3.30pm



## Dates for your diary

### November

Thursday 2nd—Wolf Rock Maths Forum @3.30pm

Friday 3rd—Tater Du class Falmouth Maritime Museum TBC

Monday 13th—Tater Du swimming each day all week

Friday 17th—Children In Need day

Wednesday 22nd—Parents Evening

Thursday 23rd—Parents Evening

### **Friday 24th INSET DAY**

### December

Thursday 7th—Whole school attend the Panto at HFC in Truro

Friday 8th—Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 13th—KS1 Nativity @ 1.30pm

Thursday 14th—KS1 Nativity @ 4pm

Tuesday 19th December 2023— End of term for Christmas

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# STARS OF THE WEEK



Class Name	Star of the week	Values Respect	Whole Class
P E N D E E N	Evelyn for setting a good example to others. Fantastic!	Arthur for being respectful to adults, children and the school equipment.	Class award to everyone for settling in really well. We are very proud of you all. Well done!
T R E V O S E	Louie for amazing writing in Literacy.	Seb for superb listening skills in RWI.	Class award for all their focus and hard work in Literacy.
T A T E R  D U	Elwin for some amazing maths this week.	Ollie for always showing respect in class and around the school.	Class award for great work in Science this week. Well done!
W O L F R O C K	Thomas for his incredible effort and achievement in literacy	Lucy for respecting the classroom environment and keeping it tidy.	Class award for your incredible efforts and focus during maths Lessons.



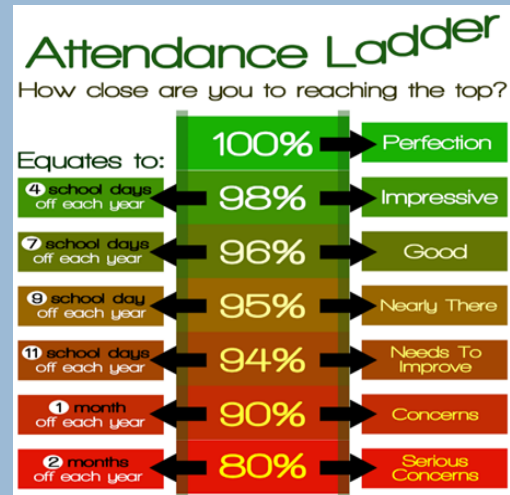
## ATTENDANCE

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

Pendeen: 98 % Trevose: 98.2 % Tater Du: 96.5 % Wolfrock: 96.8 %

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](mailto: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

### Lunches and wraparound care.

**Please remember to book your child's school dinners on ParentPay.**

**THE NEW MENU IS ON PARENTPAY**

**All wraparound care must also be booked at least 24 hours in advance to enable us to have the required staff on site.**

### Drop off and pick up times

8.45—8.55am—All children dropped to pedestrian gate teachers will line children up and take them to classes.

Once the gate is closed at 8.55am must be signed in 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.

Any children not collected on time will go to After school club where a fee will be charged.

School uniform must be worn at all times.