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Together with Love, we can Inspire, Discover and Thrive

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MESSAGE FROM MISS KENNEDY

It has been good to see parents/carers attend collective worship over the last few weeks and next Tuesday we will welcome the parents/carers of Wolf Rock. I hope it has given parents a sense of how important collective worship is to the children and staff. It is a great start to the day and it brings us altogether as a loving community.

This week Miss Eastham and I have been monitoring writing and we have been impressed with the nice presentation and the work in books. It was lovely to see a love of writing which starts with the reception children who adore their drawing club with Mrs Wilton.

Next week we will be celebrating neurodiversity week with a series of activities and learning opportunities. You may ask, what is Neurodiversity Celebration week?

Neurodiversity Celebration Week is a worldwide initiative that challenges stereotypes and misconceptions about neurological differences. It aims to transform how neurodivergent individuals are perceived and supported by providing schools, universities, and organisations with the opportunity to recognise the many talents and advantages of being neurodivergent, while creating more inclusive and equitable cultures that celebrate differences and empower every individual.

We also look forward to parents/carers evening next week, this will give the teachers a chance to talk about your child's progress in school and how you can support your child's learning journey at home. The teachers will meet parents in the hall and books will be available in the library. I will be available to answer any questions and discuss anything that you may want to raise.

Head of school Stars of the week



Head teacher staff star of the week goes to Mrs Godwin for thinking of others. Mrs G always organises any collection for staff, she brings the staff donuts every Friday and is always on hand to help others. What would we do without you?

Head teacher pupil star of the week goes to Aria for beautiful handwriting and super spelling.

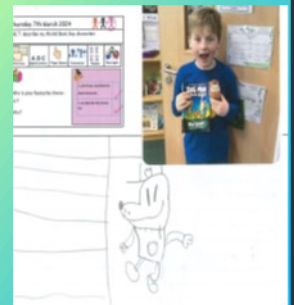
Pendeen

It has been another very busy week in Pendeen. We have had some wonderful new equipment delivered to Pendeen class and the children are really enjoying playing with lots of lovely new toys. The children are all working hard to look after everything and are remembering to 'Choose it, use it, put it away'. This week we have been being scientists in our topic work. We have been looking at the features of different dinosaurs to sort them into two groups: carnivores and herbivores. We have been listening to information about the palaeontologist Mary Anning. Have a lovely weekend.



Trevose

We had a fantastic day on World book day and thoroughly enjoyed sharing our favourite characters and reading together. We drew and described our characters in literacy. We have also been learning about non-fiction texts and have been looking at how we can organise information in our own writing to share with different audiences.



In our PSHE learning this week we have been learning about how to keep safe; this has included learning about what we do when we are unwell, who can help us and how they can help us. We have also been learning about road safety and have been creating posters to encourage others to cross roads safely.

As part of Science week, we have been making our own butterflies fly using magnets! It has been great fun and we thoroughly enjoyed experimenting with different ways to make them fly along our skies. Well done for a great week, Trevose.



Tater Du

Tater Du have had a great week and celebrated reading over 500,000 words as a whole class (on Accelerated Reader) with biscuits! They have been promised more if they reach 1 million by the end of the summer term!

In literacy, we have continued with our persuasive poster and will be displaying them around the school. We are telling everyone to use less plastic and SAVE OUR SEAS!

In Guided Reading we started to read Charlotte's Web and in Maths, both year groups have been working with fractions (ordering and equivalent for Year 3 and improper fractions for Year 4).

In RE we explored Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur and how Jewish people ask for forgiveness by God. We all thought of something we could say sorry for and made paper boats with our apologies on them. Then we released our boats into the water!



WOLF ROCK BOOKS

This week in Wolf Rock, the children have begun their new whole-class book in guided reading: *The Wizards of Once*, by Cressida Cowell. Despite only being two chapters into it, the children are obviously enjoying this adventure story with its mythical, fantasy genre set in a land of wizards, sprites and witches.

In science, the children studied human growth charts about expected patterns of growth for humans between the ages of 2 and 18, noticing trends and differences between the genders.

In geography, the children were introduced to the term, 'food miles', and used internet research to investigate just how far some of our foods have travelled. They were clearly able to determine the negative effects to the environment, recognising that locally sourced products do the least amount of damage to the planet because they travel the least distance.

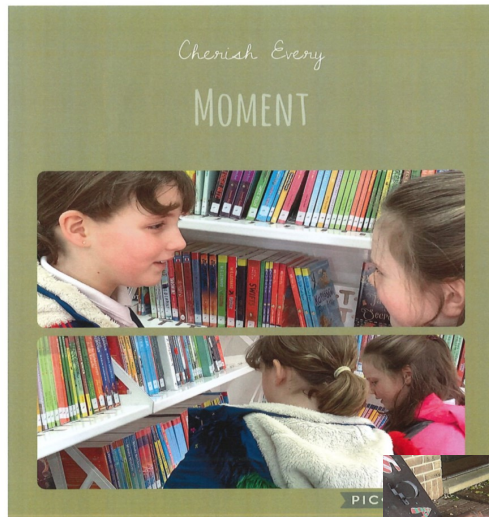
In maths, both year groups are developing their knowledge and understanding about decimals and the relationship with fractions and percentages.

In RE, the children have been learning about the Big Bang Theory, and how it helps explain the universe's existence – the HOW, while the Bible discusses God's creation – the WHY.

In Spanish, the children engaged so well with the lesson about ordering pizzas, with or without toppings, and I have to say, their pronunciation is superb – well done!



NURTURE



We have had a great response in school from some Wolf rock pupils to become reading ambassadors and to use 2 lunchtimes a week to promote reading in Trevose and Pendeen class. They have come up with some great ideas for the school to help promote reading and they made some boxes that they can carry out into the playground at lunchtime to read with the children. They can do some book reviews and make some bookmarks as well. It was a gorgeous lunchtime with the different age groups experiencing the books together. We also had the library service van visit the school this week to re stock some books for the library. 4 of our ambassadors went onto the van to help choose the books with Miss Eastham and Miss Theobald. We were all very excited and loved finding new authors and new titles to read for the whole school library. There's no better way to spend time together than reading a book.

THE GOOD SAMARITAN



Our Good Samaritan awards this week go to

Pendeen Class– Alice for seeing someone in need of help and being the kind friend that they needed.

Trevose Class-Phoebe for helping others and being a thoughtful friend.

Tater Du Class-Amelia for being a kind and caring friend

Wolf Rock Class –Zach for thanking Mrs Bray for her support during a SATs boosting class.

Thank you

Yesterday we were given a beautiful cake from Sam Jones our CEO congratulating us on the SIAMs inspection we had. It didn't take long before we all tucked into a nice slice. Thank you.






Prayer of the week

Dear Lord

Please may you fix climate change and bring back our sunny days. Thank you for the gift of life and our beautiful universe. Thank you for happiness, love and all the other emotions. Please may you help us to conquer war and all disagreements. Thank you for our beautiful planet. Amen

by HC in Wolf Rock

★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★

Class Name	Star of the week	Values Resilience	Whole Class
P E N D E E N	JJ for working so hard in phonics . Well done! 	Rocco for showing Resilience in his work. Great effort!	Class award for working really hard as a team to tidy away in the classroom.
T R E V O S E	Joshua for his focus and effort in his writing and reading. Super!	Leah for showing resilience in Maths this week. 	Class award for your maths this week! 
T A T E R D U	Lucas for great focus and work in all your Lessons. Fantastic!	Maddie for making some resilient choices this week. Brilliant!	Class award for great work in RE Tater Du! Super everyone!
W O L F R O C K	Danny for having a positive attitude towards school life. Excellent!	Carter for persevering with your SATs this week. Great work!	Class award for engaging so enthusiastically in Spanish. great work everyone!

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.



March

Tuesday 19th-Wolf Rock parents/carers invited to Collective Worship 9am

Tuesday 19th—Parents evening

Wednesday 20th—Parents evening

There will be no Drawing club due to parents evening

Friday 22nd—Deadline for returning photograph money.

Wednesday 27th– FunFest at The Roseland (letters to go out today for those taking part)

Saturday 30th March FOGS Easter Egg Clue Hunt 10am-12noon

Easter Competitions—entries to be in school by Monday 25th March (50p to enter money in named envelope) prizes donated by FOGs

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING

After school clubs finish on Friday 22nd March

No wraparound facility on Monday 25th March—staff training

No wraparound facility on Thursday 28th March—break up for holidays

Easter Half term Friday 29th March return to school Monday 15th April

April

Wednesday 17th — 9.30 am vision screening for Reception (You must opt out if not required)

Thursday 18th—Global Adventures to Spain (menu change please rebook choice via PP)

May

Wednesday 1st– Benchball @ The Roseland

6th May Bank Holiday

Wednesday 22nd May—Sports Day

Tuesday 21st– World Diversity Day

May half term—27th May

June

Wednesday 5th June- reserved Sports Day

Tuesday 11th June and Thursday 13th June—Global Surfing (Wolf Rocks Class)

July

Monday 8th—Reports

Wednesday 10th—Athletics Yrs 4,5,6 @ The Roseland

Wednesday 17th-Friday 19th July KS2 Porthpean residential

Summer holidays begin Friday 19th July at 3.15pm

Return to school Wednesday 4th September 2024

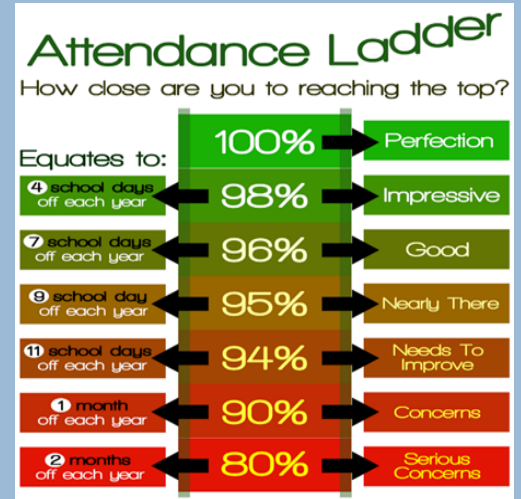
ATTENDANCE

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

Pendeen:99% Trevose: 96% Tater Du: 88.1 % Wolfrock: 94.6 %

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