





7th January 2022

Dear parents and carers,

Happy New Year to everyone in our school community, I hope that you were able to enjoy the festive period and found time to relax with loved ones.

We have been fortunate that despite rising numbers of COVID infections, we have seen very few cases in the school. We hope that this will continue to be the case and will continue to follow all of the current guidance to mitigate the risk of infection. Our outbreak management plan and updated risk assessment can be found <u>HERE</u> and further details related to our return to school <u>HERE</u>.

Over this term we will be working on developing our own Chacewater 'LEAP' curriculum further – where key drivers will be ensuring we make links across our LOCALITY, that learning is ENGAGING for all, being ASPIRING and AMBITIOUS and making sure that learning is POWERFUL and PURPOSEFUL. Find out more <u>here</u>. Our 'Leap into Learning' home learning letters will be available on the class pages of the website by Wednesday next week and we will also send home paper copies.

It has been brilliant to welcome our children back this week who have come in excited to share stories about their holiday whilst at the same time being eager and ready to learn. All of our staff team have been desperate to launch their learning this week and amongst many things we have seen the creation of 3D globes in Young Oaks which will be used to identify climate zones, through to welcoming some special visitors into Seedlings at the start of their learning which will explore animal classification (pictures below and it should be noted that I kept quite a distance from the spider!).

As we start the new year can I please take the opportunity to remind everyone about the importance of attendance in school and being in on time, COVID allowing, registration is at 8.55am.

I hope everyone has a great weekend.

Mr Hick



Reception - September 2022

A reminder that application for the children to join the school in Reception for September 2022 need to be completed by **January 15th**. This is done through the local authority website <u>HERE</u>. It is very important that this deadline is not missed.

<u>Clubs</u>

These will start on the week beginning 17^{th} January. These are starting a week later than usual to allow teachers time after school to complete postponed progress meetings.

The new timetable is below and you can sign up in the normal way through Parent Pay. As before, we do have to limit club sizes to 20.

Monday	Year 1 & 2	Drawing Club	Mrs Morgan
Monday	Years 3 -6	Knex and Lego	Mrs Law
Monday	Year 5 & 6	Yoga	Mrs James
Tuesday	Year 1 & 2	Huff and Puff Club	Mrs Rice
Tuesday	Year 3 & 4	Dance Fitness	Miss Laskowski
Tuesday	Year 5 & 6	Football	Mr Hick
Thursday	Year 1 & 2	Making & creating	Mrs Glanville-Thomas
Thursday	Year 3 -6	Coding	Miss Hoare
Friday	year 5 & 6	Choir (lunch time)	Mrs Fox
Friday	year 3 & 4	Tag Rugby	Mr Williams
Friday	Year 5 & 6	Dance club – max of <u>15</u>	Miss Syrett

<u>History Day – KS2</u>

Before Christmas we had to postpone the planned 'History Day' in **key stage 2** and this is now taking place in Wednesday 12th January. We are inviting children to dress up for this:

- Year 6 Viking or Anglo Saxon
- Year 5 Roman
- Year 4 Celt
- Year 3 Stone Age



Please do not feel that it is necessary for children to wear a purchased costume. We would suggest your child wears their own clothes, which could be customised by wearing: a brooch, a shield, a fur wrap, a tartan scarf, a large shirt with a leather belt, animal print

clothing or even face paint etc. If you have any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Swimming

A reminder that we have booked swimming for our year 5 and year 6 children. This will take place at Truro Leisure Centre, starting at the end of this month with Year 6, and be led by qualified swimming teachers. The Leisure Centre have changed how they do this and, although different, feedback from other schools is really positive. The children will go swimming every afternoon for an intensive two-week block. Dates and times below:

- Year 6: Week beginning Monday 24th Jan and Monday 31st January. 1pm -2pm
- Year 5: Week beginning Monday 14th March and Monday 21st March. 1pm 2pm

To help support this we are asking for a <u>voluntary contribution of £8</u> per week to help cover the cost of coach travel to and from the pool. This is now on ParentPay.

School Camp Reminder

We are excited to have been able to book our Y6 camp for June at Porthpean Outdoor Centre. Porthpean is a great campsite, which overlooks Carlyon Bay, and is run by Cornwall Outdoors by fully qualified and experienced instructors.



The camp will be a three day/two night residential and will include a range of activities such as coasteering, kayaking, high ropes assault course, archery and climbing. We hope that all of our year 6 will be able to join us for this. To confirm a place, we are asking for a deposit of £35 to be paid by the end of this month. Further details from the letter sent out at the end of last year can be found <u>HERE</u>.

Are you a Superhero?

Acorns class are basing their learning this term around the idea of Superheroes and as part of this are looking at Superheroes in our community such as the emergency services. If you work in any related field then we would love it if you could spare a few minutes to come and talk to the children about your job and what it entails. If you think you can help the please do get in contact with Mrs Glanville-Thomas in Acorns.

Rainbows, Brownies and Guides - A message from 1st Chacewater

Whether your daughter wants to join Rainbows (4-7), Brownies (7-10) or Guides (10-14), start her Girlguiding journey here. Begin by registering her interest and finding out about units in your area. Join Us! (girlguiding.org.uk)

Don't forget that guiding is not just for young people. If you would like to volunteer and support Girlguiding in your community, register using the link and we will be in touch.

Dates For Your Diary		
12.1.22	KS2 History Day	
17.1.22	Clubs begin	
24.1.22	Y6 Two Week Swimming Block begins.	
17.2.22	End of half term for children	
18.2.22	Inset Day – School closed to children.	
28.2.22	Start of new half term	
8.4.22	End of Spring Term	
25.4.22	Start of Summer Term	



GOLDEN AWARD WINNERS

ACORNS	Harvey & Grace
SEEDLINGS	Stanley & Elliemay
BUDS	Saphena & Honey
YOUNG OAKS	Lily-Mae & Archie
BUR OAKS	Marlowe & Jamie
RED OAKS	Kaitlyn & Leah
MIGHTY OAKS	Nevaeh & Will







