

MAWGAN-IN-PYDAR SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWS

16th October 2020

HEAD OF SCHOOL NOTE

My huge thanks to you all continues during these very strange times. Your patience, understanding and adherence to procedures is very much appreciated as we strive to do our best for all of the children in school whilst keeping them safe. We continue to use our system of protective measures:

- Robust hand and respiratory hygiene
- Enhanced cleaning arrangements
- A requirement that people who are ill stay at home
- Active engagement with NHS Test and Trace
- Reducing contact and maximising distancing through use of bubbles

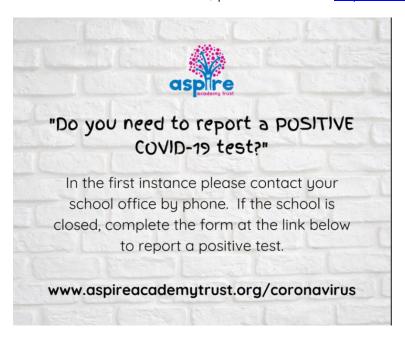
As we near half term we are busily planning some exciting learning opportunities and projects for all children to be involved in next term. This year we will be supporting the Children in Need 'Five to Thrive' Appeal from 9-15th November. We also have the Space Dome visiting for Classes 4 and 5 to enhance their Stargazers ILP and each class will have some Forest School sessions kindly supported by our PTA. More details about these exciting activities soon to follow.

COVID-19 TEST

A reminder on how to report a positive case of Covid to school. If it is during the school day, please contact the school office on 01637 860491. For out of hours please use the following link.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=rVOWGVbBBUq60whMGjC2GNQzh8GyMTBDIM8-H3wZjiVUQkxWNIFMSVIQQk5YNIFGS0RKWUFVRVVZRi4u

For more information on this, please look on: http://www.aspireacademytrust.org/coronavirus



SPOOKY DRESS UP DAY

As the PTA are unable to arrange a 'Spooky Disco' for the children this year, we have agreed to host a 'Spooky Dress up Day' on FRIDAY 23rd OCTOBER. Children will be allowed to come to school that day dressed in either spooky attire or in autumn colours for a donation of £1.00. The PTA have also organised a 'Design a Pumpkin competition' entry £1.00. Template of which was sent home and will need to be returned to their class teacher by Thursday 22nd October. Children will also take part in a fun spooky activity in the afternoon and will be able to buy a bag of sweets in class for 50p.



CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISING ACTIVITY

We will be placing the order next week – LAST CHANCE TO ORDER BY MONDAY 19th OCTOBER at 9:30am.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

We will be returning after half-term on Week 2.

PARENT MEETINGS - BOOKINGS OPEN

Parents evening will take place virtually on **TUESDAY 10TH NOVEMBER AND THURSDAY 12TH NOVEMBER.** These will be 10-minute scheduled slots. Bookings for these slots can be done on Arbor from 5:30pm on THURSDAY 15th OCTOBER.
Bookings close on MONDAY 9th NOVEMBER and WEDNESDAY 11th NOVEMBER at 12 noon. Due to the limited phone lines at the school, all meetings will take place via TEAMS. If you do not have access to a computer or device for this, please



BAGS2SCHOOL

let the school office know.

'Bags2School' will be collecting unwanted clothing from the school on **TUESDAY 24th NOVEMBER**. Half term is a very good time to sort out unwanted clothes from the summer, or generally have a good clear out. This helps raise a lot of money for the school funds, with very little effort on our part, so it is well worth doing. Please note that they accept men/ladies and children's clothing, paired shoes tied together, handbags, ties, belts, soft toys and jewellery. **DO NOT SEND IN** any sort of bedding, pillows, curtains, towels, school uniform, corporate work wear, textiles or anything that is wet/damp as they DO NOT ACCEPT them, and we have to dispose of them. Please bring your bags on the morning or afternoon of Friday 21st November so they can be stored and isolated for 72 hours. We cannot accept any bags after this date.

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INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS

Thank you for your support.

Photograph order forms will be sent off on Monday. **Any last-minute orders can be given in first thing Monday morning.**

PARENTAL CONSENT FORMS-TRIPS & VISITS

'Parental Consent – Trips & Visits 2020-2021' forms to be completed and returned to school **ASAP**. Many thanks.

BOOK FAIR

The Scholastics Book fair will take place this year 12th to 19th

NOVEMBER. This will operate slightly differently this year. The children will be given the opportunity to browse the bookcases during school time within their bubbles and they will then have a chance to write a wish list to take home. Children will sanitise their hands or use disposable gloves before looking at the books. Order forms will be sent home to parents to order and pay directly with Scholastics, they will receive a confirmation number from which we can then hand over the books.



ST EVAL ARCHIVE & ART PROJECT

Local artist, Jane Dark and sculptor, Andrew Tebbs are running a new art project titled 'Habitats as Heritage'. The aim is to record, using film, photography, writing, painting and scientific notes the habitat of St Eval, looking at the ecosystems through geology, trees, plants animals, birds, fish and insects. The children will be getting involved through school, but anyone is welcome to contribute. See leaflet sent home today.

They are inviting everyone to submit paintings, drawings, poems or music inspired by the wild places of the parish for an exhibition. A selection of work will be displayed along with images from archive in key locations around the parish including Tregona Chapel. Digital work to janesdarke@gmail.com. First Deadline is 31st OCTOBER 2020.



YEAR 6 SECONDARY TRANSFER

Attention all parents of YEAR 6 CHILDREN. The deadline for applications to Secondary School for Sept 2021 must be submitted to Cornwall Council by 31st October. This can be done on-line at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admssions.

TERM DATES 2020-2021 - ADDITIONAL TRAINING DAYS ADDED

Please note that this has been amended.

AUTUMN TERM 2020

Training Day Thursday 3rd – Friday 4th September

School Starts Monday 7th September

Half Term Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October

Last day of term Friday 18th December

SPRING TERM 2021

School Starts Monday 4th January

Training Day Friday 12th February

Half-Term Monday 15th to Friday 19th February

Last day of term Thursday 1st April

SUMMER TERM 2021

School Starts Monday 19th April

May Day Monday 3rd May

Half-Term Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June

Training Day Monday 7th
Training Day Tuesday 8th June

Last day of term Wednesday 21st July

Training Day Thursday 22nd July
Training Day Friday 23rd July