MAWGAN-IN-PYDAR SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWS

18th September 2020



HEAD OF SCHOOL NOTE

It continues to be wonderful seeing so many children back in school. Thank you as always for all your support in encouraging your child/ren to come into school independently and respecting social distancing rules and regulations.

As we often see at the start of a new term, some of our children (and staff) pick up colds, viruses and bugs and feel unwell. Although in most cases this probably won't be COVID-19, I do still encourage you to speak to your GP if you have any concerns. COVID-19 symptoms are:

-high temperature

-a new, continuous cough-this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24hrs

-a loss or change to sense of smell or taste-this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

Your swift and timely approach to communicating with the school so far if your child has been feeling unwell has been overwhelmingly supportive. Please continue to liaise with us should your child feel poorly.

CLASS LETTERS

Hopefully everyone has now received their Class letter informing you about your child/ren's Imaginative Learning Project this term and other useful information about their class/es. If you have not received it, please let the school office know.

GOOGLE CLASSROOM

Letters were sent home yesterday regarding our expectations for use of Google Classroom. Logins, Passwords and instructions for use are being sent via Arbor today. If you have any problems, please do give us a call next week.

HEALTHY SNACK

Please can we ask children to bring a bottle with water NOT juice to school. Please also ensure that your child has a healthy snack for break time. Healthy snacks can include: fruit, a cereal bar or veggie sticks. Have a look at this website for some ideas https://yourkidstable.com/the-super-easy-healthy-school-snack-list-with-printable

BIKEABILITY

Children in Year 5 have the chance to take part in Bikeability sessions from Monday 28th September. Please can <u>all Year 5 children</u> bring their bike, helmet, PE Kit and raincoat on **MONDAY 28th SEPTEMBER**. Please can consent forms be returned by **TUESDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER**. Many thanks.

CYCLE TO SCHOOL WEEK

Cycle to school week starts **MONDAY 28th SEPTEMBER**. We would very much like to encourage our children to cycle to school this week if they would like to. However, we have to remain mindful of our bubbles and keeping all of our children safe.

Classes 4 and 5 can leave their bikes down the side of their playground (they will be shown where next Friday). This area will be coned off so that other pupils cannot touch each other's bikes





throughout the day. Helmets will be left with bikes. Class 3 can leave their bikes down by the side of their classroom by the fence. Again, this area will be coned off.

We would very much like for our pupils in Classes 1 and 2 to cycle this week too if possible BUT we kindly ask that parents then take their bikes home as we don't have any other safe space to keep their bikes. We realise that this may not be that easy in some cases, but we do need to ensure all our pupils are kept safe.

PARENT MEETINGS - AUTUMN TERM

These will take place in the week beginning 2nd November. It will come as no surprise to you that these meetings are likely to be held in a different format this year due to Covid restrictions. It is likely they will be virtual. We do feel it is very important for you to be able to have these face to face meetings with your child's class teacher. Keep an eye out for more information over the next few weeks.



SCHOOL COUNCIL

This week our children have been avidly completing their school council application forms, then bravely presenting their manifestos to their classes. In true democratic style, classes have then voted for 2 members in each class to represent them on our School Council. Pupil Voice provides an opportunity for learners to play an active role in decisions affecting them. They can plan and review the actions taken, as well as taking responsibility for how these actions will happen and it is through School Council that this takes place.

This year, School Council will take place in a slightly different manner as we strive to come up with new ideas whilst keeping all of our pupils safe. Nominated School Councillors for the year 2020/21 are:

Class 1: Howie and Eleni Class2: Jessica and Lee Class 3: Harry and Louise Class 4: Ethan and Rosen Class 5: Ehbi and Hattie School Council Leaders: Olivia and George

Congratulations to all these pupils, we know they will be wonderful ambassadors for our school.

MEDICAL FORMS

Medical forms have been sent electronically by email. If you have not received this please can you contact the school office at <u>hello@mawgan-in-pydar.org.uk</u>. Please complete this on-line form by **WEDNESDAY 23**rd **SEPTEMBER**. Many thanks.

INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS

Individual photographs will be taking place on **THURSDAY 8th OCTOBER** at 9:00am. Unfortunately, we will be unable to take family photographs this year as this would mean we are mixing our pods.



GUITAR LESSONS

We have paused guitar lessons and hope to review this with the aim to re-start them after half-term. We will keep you informed on this.

YEAR 6

MESSAGE FROM TREVIGLAS-We are unfortunately not able to welcome visitors into school at the moment for safety reasons. We will be providing opportunities for Year 6 pupils and their families to find out virtually about us and what we can offer. I would suggest that they take a look at our website and Facebook page for the time being, as all information will be shared on these platforms. Parents are also very welcome to get in touch with me directly with any queries.

BORROW BOX

Cornwall Library Service have an on-line library option available to our children. Everyone was sent an individual login at the end of last term to access this facility. This is being extended into the Autumn Term should your child wish to load books on-line.

BAGS2SCHOOL

Our next Bags2School is booked for TUESDAY 24th NOVEMBER.

MORNING AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB FROM SEPTEMBER

Breakfast Club - 8:00-8:30am. £3.00/child/session, inc breakfast or £1.50/child excl breakfast. After School Club - 3:00-5:00pm - £4.00/child/session. Session runs 3:00–4:00pm and 4:00– 5:00pm. **All sessions are to be booked and paid for on ParentPay** <u>by the previous Friday</u>.

PE KITS

KS1 pupils need their PE kits in school all the time. KS2 pupils need to come to school on their PE day dressed in their PE kit.

- Class 3's PE day is Wednesday.
- Class 4's PE day is Monday and Tuesday (for the time being).
- Class 5's PE day is Friday.

Class 3 and Class 5 are doing the daily mile whilst the weather is good. They need sensible footwear as they are walking in the woods or around local footpaths.

Class 4 are doing daily yoga outside. Whilst the weather is good and we are able, we are making the most of being able to do PE related activities outside as part of our safe return to school. We will review this arrangement frequently and keep you up-dated.

TERM DATES 2020-2021 – ADDITIONAL TRAINING DAYS ADDED

Please note that this has been amended.

AUTUMN TERM 2020

Training Day	Thursday 3 rd – Friday 4 th September
School Starts	Monday 7 th September
Half Term	Monday 26 th October to Friday 30 th October
Last day of term	Friday 18 th December

SPRING TERM 2021

School Starts	Monday 4 th January
Training Day	Friday 12 th February
Half-Term	Monday 15 th to Friday 19 th February
Last day of term	Thursday 1 st April

SUMMER TERM 2021

School Starts	Tuesday 19 th April
May Day	Monday 3 rd May
Half-Term	Monday 31 st May to Friday 4 th June
Training Day	Monday 7 th
Training Day	Tuesday 8 th June

Last day of term Wednesday 21st July Training Day Thursday 22nd July Training Day Friday 23rd July



Teacher Training Opportunities



Apply to Aspire Teaching Trust October 2020



Apply for our courses to train right here in Cornwall, via UCAS or the new Apply Service from Get into Teaching: www.getintoteaching.education.gov.uk

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Teaching

Join our online info sessions for more details:

17th September 2020 - 1.30pm-2.30pm

15th October 2020 -10.30am-11.30am

18th November 2020 -3.00pm-4.00pm

7th December 2020 -10.30am-11.30am

12th January 2021 -1.30pm-2.30pm

3rd February 2021 -3.00pm-4.00pm

Book here: vww.aspireacademyt gtrust

Fun Palaces

Sharing Skills, Connecting Communities, Creating Tiny Revolutions Saturday 3 & Sunday 4 October 2020

St Columb Library will join hundreds of Fun Palaces nationally and internationally set to explode with free and fun activities for all.

We are creating a 'Window Gallery' of pictures created by our junior members showing their favourite books and characters. So, children of St Columb get creative with your crayons, felt-pens, paints and colleges to create a colourful and vibrant display of pictures for the whole community to see. Pictures should be on A4 paper and can be dropped into the library during opening hours before Saturday 3rd October.

Fun Palaces is an ongoing national and international campaign, nurturing and supporting the potential and positivity of sharing people's enthusiasms, passions and skills with their own local community. Fun Palaces has an annual weekend of events each October.

During the weekend, check out what's happening elsewhere: Twitter/Instagram: #FunPalaces | @FunPalaces Free

www.funpalaces.co.uk