

Headteacher update

The week ahead

| Day | Event | Club option |
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| Mon | | Running club for KS2 |
| Tues | Swimming / PE for Cowloe & Longships | |
| Wed | Gymnastics Year 1/ PE for year 2— Wear PE kits please | High five netball KS2—bring PE kit to change into |
| Thurs | | KS1 & KS2 sports club |
| Fri | | |

Pupils have had a fantastic week of learning, despite the germs! I want to say a huge well done to Brisons class, who have had a supply teacher all week due to Miss Clackworthy being poorly. They have been positive, helpful and hard working and have made their teacher feel very welcome. What fantastic examples they are of our values—well done Brisons!

Sports

Additional clubs after half term We have been given the opportunity to have a six week after school football club for KS2 starting after October half term. It would take place on a Tuesday for an hour it will be £12 for 6 sessions. This will be provided by Mounts Bay Academy. Due to this being an outside provider, if you would like your child to attend this club you will need to pop to the office to sign a permission form and to pay the £12 in full upfront to cover the costs. This is a great opportunity and I know it is something the children will really enjoy.

We have also been given the opportunity to have a year 1 & 2 girls tennis club (specific I know!) with Penzance tennis club at minimum to no cost. If you would like your child to take part, could you email Miss Clackworthy on hclackworthy@sennen.tpacademytrust.org.

Cross country entries have started coming in, if you would like your child to take part, please let us know ASAP by emailing Miss Clackworthy. It would be great to have the school well represented this year and be there to cheer each other on!

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| 4pm | Yr 4 Girls - | 1200m |
| 4.10pm | Yr 4 Boys - | 1200m |
| 4.20pm | Yr 5 Girls - | 1500m |
| 4.30pm | Yr 5 Boys - | 1500m |
| 4.40pm | Yr 6 Girls - | 2000m |
| 4.50pm | Yr 6 Boys - | 2000m |

Cross country league schedule:

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| Event 1: Tues 10th October 2023 @ Mounts Bay Academy 4.00pm – 5.00pm | Event 3: Tues 30th January 2024 @ St Ives Rugby 4.00pm – 5.00pm |
| Event 2: Tues 7th November 2023 @ Hayle School 4.00pm – 5.00pm | Event 4: Tues 27th February 2024 @ Cape Cornwall School. 4.00pm – 5.00pm |

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Important dates:



Tuesday—swimming and PE for KS2

Wednesday—Gymnastics and PE for Brisons

2.10—Mounts Bay Open Day Y6

5.10—Humphry Davy Open Evening Y6

10.10—World mental health day—non uniform with a donation of £1

10.10—Cross country @ Mounts Bay

12.10—Longships 1st Forest School

19.10—End of term assembly

20.10—Last day of term

30.10—INSET day. No children

19.12—Last day of term 2

4.1.24—1st day back of term 3



Mental health at Sennen School



World Mental Health Day is coming up on Tuesday 10th October.

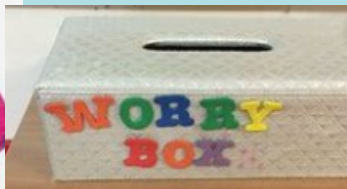
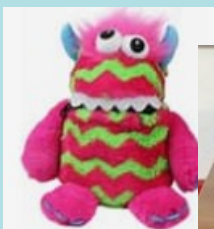
The aim of the day is to raise awareness of mental health and to drive positive change for everyone's wellbeing. The theme for this year's day is 'mental health is a universal human right'.



We would like to mark this occasion by having a non uniform day. We will ask for a donation of £1, which we will send to the Young Minds children's mental health charity.

At Sennen we place a high priority on children's mental health and well being. Our PSHE curriculum teaches children about their sense of self, how to tackle tricky situations and how to speak up if things aren't going well. You can find out more about it by looking on our website:

[Sennen Community Primary Academy - PSHE](#)

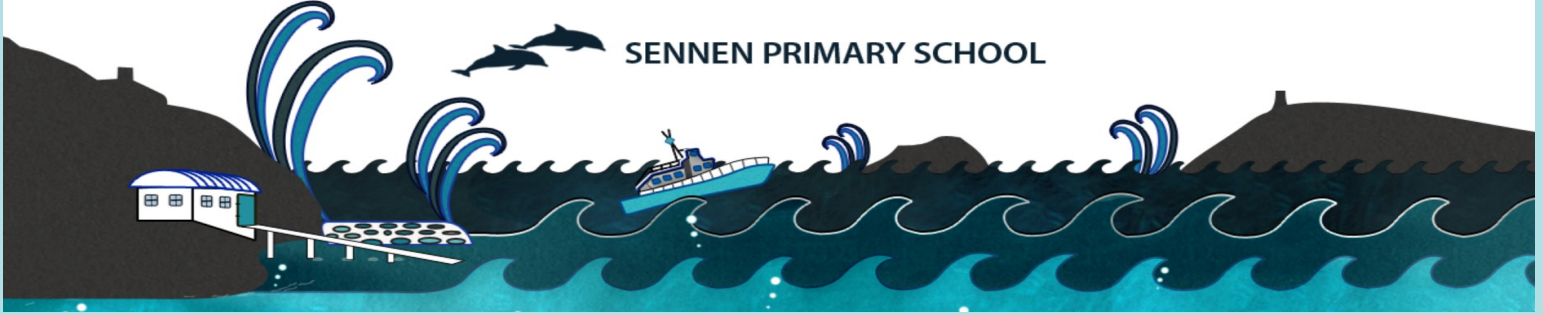


Our teachers actively encourage pupils to share their worries, how ever small, and deal with them quickly to avoid escalation. Classes have worry pets, worry monsters and worry boxes as tools to help children share their feelings.

We also have access to a mental health practitioner who can come into school and work with small groups of children on issues they may have from self confidence, to friendship skills. These sessions proved invaluable last year and made a big difference to pupils who needed it.

Over the next year we will be continuing to focus on this as part of our school development plan. If you would like to know more about how you can support your child's mental health, you can visit:

[How to support your child's mental health – Place2Be](#)



SENNEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Do you have a child starting school in September 2024, or know someone who does? We will be holding an open afternoon on 11th October to give people a chance to come and see what the school has to offer. Please share with anyone you think might be interested.

We can also do individual tours, just contact the school and we will get one arranged.

SENNEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Open Afternoon

Wednesday 11th October 2023, 1.30 - 2.30

The graphic features the same coastal illustration as the top of the page. The text 'SENNEN PRIMARY SCHOOL' is at the top. Below it, 'Open Afternoon' is written in large, bold, white letters with a blue outline. Underneath that, the date and time 'Wednesday 11th October 2023, 1.30 - 2.30' are written in a similar style.

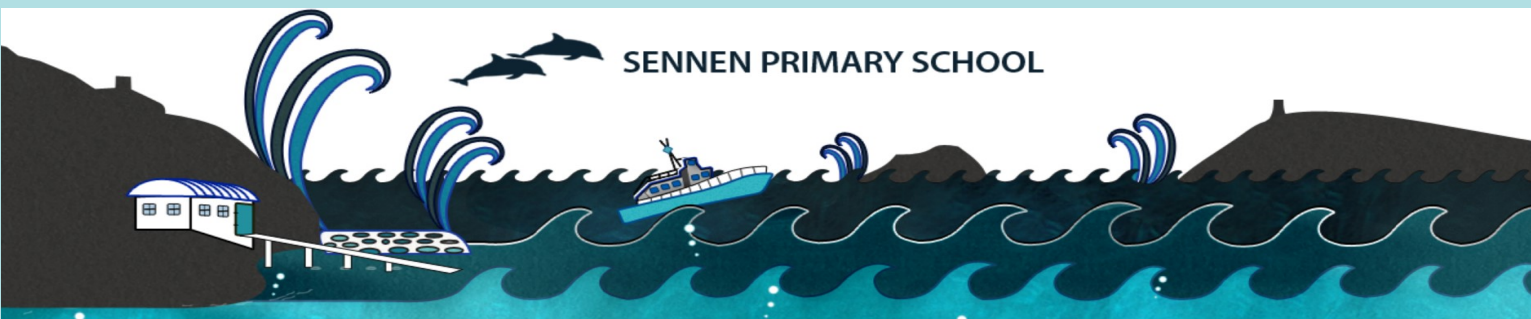
Do you have a child due to start school in September 2024?

If so, come along to our open afternoon and have a look around our lovely school. There will be a brief introduction at 1.30, followed by a tour of the school by the children.



Email us to make a booking on sennen@tpacademytrust.org

Or visit www.sennen.cornwall.sch.uk to find out more about us!



Advantage project

On Tuesday Cowloe class were very excited to be given their new ipads. This is part of the Advantage Project which is being run by our Trust, TPAT.



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Skilled Teachers

1:1 Devices/iPads

Bespoke Apps

The Advantage Project is intended to provide each TPAT pupil and teacher from Year 5 onwards with:

- an iPad
- Showbie Pro
- A bespoke core suite of apps
- Apple TV/screen connectivity in their classroom
- Training for all teaching staff

The intention is that pupils will benefit from the device to support and enhance their learning. Advantage is a key part of our digital transformation and innovation strategy. It aims to place the latest digital technologies and applications into the hands of pupils and staff across our Trust in order to:

- improve outcomes and maximise opportunities for all
- promote innovation and collaboration in teaching and learning across our schools and between our staff
- counteract inequality and disadvantage in terms of educational, cultural and social-economic barriers for our young people
- enhance effectiveness and efficiency in terms of staff workload and well being
- maximise the financial, organisational and educational potential of collaboration across our Trust in order to achieve common goals



Aire class round up

It's been a constructive few weeks in Aire Class with the children getting to grips with classroom routines and rules and beginning to really enjoy new friendships and also formal learning.

The children have started learning their single sounds with Fred the Frog in Phonics and are now fully conversant with Fred Speak.

In Maths, we have been comparing length, height and capacity.

We have been reading books relating to managing our feelings and self regulation: "The Colour Monster" and "Listen to Your Body". The children have enjoyed lots of discussions about how feelings affect our bodies and what we can do to channel them positively. They've also been visited by Anya the persona doll and Fizzy Bubbly Monster who've chatted to the children about their experiences of managing their feelings at school.

In independent play, we have seen trips to space, a wedding, a snowstorm, letters being written, tree climbing and more.

Well done Aire Class - you rock!



Brisons class round up

Brisons have been a real credit to the school this week and have worked so hard. They have been looking at number and place value in maths, and their teacher commented on their great use of reasoning and language in the sessions—well done Brisons.

In History, they have been comparing what life was like when their grandparents were young, to what life is like now. I think a few of the things surprised them (like the lack of TV channels!) and they were very keen to talk about their own life experiences. It would be great if they could find an older relative or member of the community to talk to about life when they were younger to support this lesson.

In art they have been continuing to work on their mark making exploration. They absolutely love their art sessions!



Wednesday 20th September
 Task: To compare and create a family tree

Materials: Paper, Scissors, Glue, Colours

1. Cut out pictures of family members from magazines or newspapers.
 2. Draw a family tree on a large sheet of paper.
 3. Glue the pictures onto the family tree.

My Family Tree

Wednesday 27th September
 Task: To learn about the differences between my childhood and my grandparents' childhood

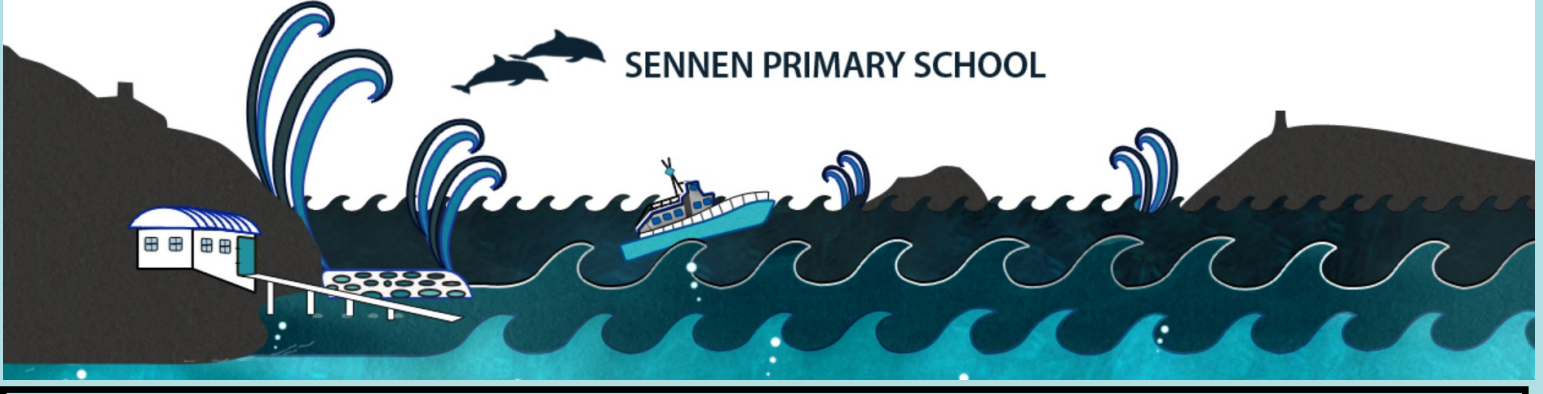
Materials: Paper, Scissors, Glue, Colours

1. Identify differences between childhoods.
 2. Identify similarities and differences between childhoods.
 3. Discuss my understanding of the changes.

Using the Grid

How was life different when your grandparents were children? Complete the table using as much information as you can.

| | My Childhood | Life when my grandparents were young |
|--|-----------------------------|--|
| What kind of food is eaten? | super market, prosina, food | grow much, culling, ham |
| What kind of clothes are worn? | tights, dresses | ragged, cloth, clothes, socks, clothes |
| What do people do in their spare time? | fun fair, swimming | feeding Rabbits |
| What are toys like? | plastics, toys, toys | wading, toys, toys |
| What technology is there? | tablet | tv |
| What else is different? | people, toys, more | people, toys, more |



Longships class round up

This week, Longships have been writing some fantastic diary entries detailing their adventure inside an Egyptian pyramid. They have worked so hard to be descriptive and have been learning some very challenging vocabulary. We have also been finding out about the process of mummification and have especially enjoyed finding out about the gory bits! We will start to use this knowledge in next couple of weeks to write some instructions.

Orienteering has also been fun and we have shown that we are getting really good at reading maps to find the markers around the school and have been exploring how to orientate the map with much success.



Cowloe class round up

We have had a great couple of weeks starting with a space workshop where the children were able to be immersed in space and learn more about the history of space travel and the planets. On Wednesday, the children had a fantastic day at Cape Cornwall school and their behaviour was exemplary as usual. In Maths we have continued to focus on place value of digits up to 10,000,000 and we have been reading the story Hidden Figures in our reading lessons. This book tells the real story of four black women, who were really good at maths, work behind the scenes at NASA. We have learnt about the struggles they faced and how their resilience and tenacity kept them going. The children have enjoyed starting their art journey in their sketchbooks, having looked at the genre retro-futurism and they have begun to use their creative sides to help them choose different mediums in art and experimenting with different techniques to represent their own space images.



Lunch Menu

Children will be asked what they would like each day by their teacher. Children in year R—2 get infant free school meals and it is £2.65 for the rest of the school, other than for those pupils who have been awarded income based free school meals.

WEEK 1

W/C: 17/04, 08/05, 29/05, 19/06, 10/07, 11/09, 02/10

| | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
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| HOT MAINS | Cheese and Tomato Pizza 🍕 Served with Potato Wedges | Pork Sausages Served with Mashed Potato and Gravy | Roast Turkey 🍗 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy | Beef Bolognese 🍖 Served with Wholemeal Pasta and Garlic and Herb Bread | Breaded Fish Fingers Served with Chips |
| | Vegetable Pesto Pasta Bake 🍝 | Macaroni Cheese 🍝 | Roasted Vegetable Butterbean Crumble 🥬 🍗 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy | Vegetarian Bolognese 🍝 🍖 Served with Wholemeal Pasta | Vegetarian Dippers 🍷 Served with Chips |
| JACKET POTATO | Jacket Potatoes 🍟 with a choice of hot and cold fillings | Jacket Potatoes 🍟 with a choice of hot and cold fillings, including Salmon Mayonnaise 🐟 | Jacket Potatoes 🍟 with a choice of hot and cold fillings | Jacket Potatoes 🍟 with a choice of hot and cold fillings | Jacket Potatoes 🍟 with a choice of hot and cold fillings |
| Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta 🍝 🌿 | | | | | |
| All main meals are served with two vegetables | | | | | |
| DESSERT | Vanilla Ice Cream | Hot Chocolate Sponge with Chocolate Custard | Strawberry Jelly with Fruit 🍓 | Fruity Picnic Bar 🍓 | Chocolate Ice Cream |

PACKED LUNCH AVAILABLE
Ham and Cheese sandwich available daily with veg sticks and fresh fruit or dessert of the day