

### Headteacher update

The week ahead

Day	Event	Club option
Mon		
Tues	Swimming / PE for Cowloe & Longships. The swimming group will be the same as last week.	Tennis for KS1—pre booked children only Cross Country @ St Ives Rugby club
Wed	Aire trip to St Micheal's Mount	High five netball KS2—bring PE kit to change into
Thurs	PE for Brisons, Longships & Cowloe—PE kits please	Multi sports for KS2
Fri	Forest School for Brisons & Aire Class . Weather depending, we are hoping to take both groups over to St Loy woods.	Karate for all— There are still a few spaces for karate it is open to all key stages, please see Mrs Raitt in the office to sign up in the office and pay.

This week we have had a great visit from a Read Write Inc consultant who came to see phonics in action around our school. She was so impressed, not only with our pupils attitude and achievement in phonics, but also the warm and friendly welcome she got from the older pupils. She



was full of praise for the pupils in our school, which is always a pleasure to hear. Well done everyone!

### Attendance

The week has also seen a lot of germs in our school! It is good to see the children are starting to get better, but I wanted to remind you of a few things:

If your child has a temperature, or has sickness / diarrhoea, they need to remain at home.

If they have headache / sore throat etc, we are happy for them to come into school and can give paracetamol midway through the day if necessary.

As you may be aware, attendance is something that is at the forefront of the news recently. It has been decided that as a trust, we are moving to a trust-wide attendance policy from February half term. The attendance lead has been carrying out research, gaining insight into best practise and piloting ideas in other TPAT schools before producing the document. I will be sharing the policy with you over the next few weeks and it will be in place from 19th February.

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### **Important dates:**

30.1.24—Cross Country @ St Ives

1.2.24—Aire class trip to St Micheal's Mount

7.2.24—Brisons Trip to St Micheal's Mount

8.2.24—End of term assembly 2.30 start in community centre.

27.2.24—Cross Country @ Cape

27.3.24—Last day of term

28.3.24—INSET day—school closed to pupils

15.4.24—First day of term 4







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

#### Cross country league schedule:

Tues 10th October 2023 @ Mounts Bay Academy	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

### **Cross country**

Another cross-country date is fast approaching! The next one is going to be on Tuesday 30th January at St Ives rugby club. If your child would like to take part in this, could you please email:

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And letting me know that they would like to do it and also if you will be collecting from St Ives or from Sennen after the event. It is starting at 4pm so we will be leaving here at 3pm. We are hoping for another great turn out!

## Have a look at this upcoming FOSS fundraising event





### Aire class round up

We have had an unusual few weeks in Aire Class with the cold snap and then lots of children off with various bugs. Despite this, learning has raced on at quite a pace. The children's recent progress in reading has been phenomenal and their writing is coming along very nicely. We are very grateful to all our wonderful parents for supporting their children's phonic skills development at home!

In Maths, we have explored mass and capacity. We have read some excellent Maths books including "A Beach for Albert" and "Balancing Act". The children have used sand and water to investigate capacity and balance scales to compare the mass of various objects.

In Drawing Club, we have read the stories "A Superhero Like You" and "Zog". The children have explored many superhero roles in our community.

In Art and Design, the children have practised their cutting skills and have investigated different ways of joining materials to make finger puppets.

In Music with Mrs Baker, they have been learning a new "People Who Help Us" song and have loved learning about pitch with a python and fast beats with cha cha cheetah!









# Brisons class round up

Brisons have done a lot of great work this week. They have been resilient when finding things hard and they have tried their best in all lessons. In art they experimented with printing and they seemed to have more fun getting prints on themselves! They had another great session of forest school and learnt some new exciting skills! Well done Brisons keep it up!





### Longships class round up

Longships have been so good this week at identifying and classifying different types of verbs. It was so lovely to hear their conversations which involved the use of so much difficult terminology.

In maths we have been using the grid method along with Base 10 to multiply a 2-digit and 1-digit number together. We made such a great start and look forward to building on this next week.

The children have started to come up with some brilliant designs in DT for their Roman posters which we will finalise soon before adding an electrical twist to it. Watch this space!

Gymnastics was so much fun. The children used counter balances to create a sequence to great effect.



## Cowloe class round up

The children have been working really hard to understand the differences between irregular and regular verbs in English. They know the terms verb phrases and phrasal verbs and will be applying them in their writing soon. In Maths, we have been continuing to learn about fractions, adding and subtracting mixed numbers and comparing and ordering fractions. In science, we have been learning all about the different classifications of animals and how they reproduce and next week we will be looking at lifecycles and parts of plants. Our DT this half term is cooking and nutrition and the children have been thinking about how to create a healthy pasta dish based on Spaghetti bolognaise. They will be learning how to cut up onions and other skills in the kitchen next week before cooking their dish in the last week of the half term.





Some of you my have seen on social media recently that Penzance Gymnastics Club is facing an uncertain future after a sudden rent hike. They have come up with a plan to try and find new premises, but are fundraising to buy themselves some time to put their plan into action. The gymnastics club is a very important part of the community, and also provides the school with gymnastic sessions each year. If you would like to read more about how you can support them, please visit their Go Fund Me page.

https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/save-penzance-gym-club





### 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 2

W/C: 06/11, 27/11, 18/12, 08/01, 29/01, 19/02, 11/03

MONDAY WEDNESDAY **THURSDAY** FRIDAY TUESDAY Cheese and Turkey Con Chilli 📦 🤿 Sausage Pasta **Breaded Fish** Tomato Pizza o Roast Beef Bake 🐞 Served with Roast **Fingers** Served with Garlic Served with Served with Potato Potatoes and Gravy Served with Chips Wholegrain Rice and Herb Bread Wedges HOT MAINS Vegetarian Cheesy Leek and Carrot Vegetarian Sausage Pasta Crispy Quorn Macaroni Crumble o 🤪 Nuggets o Cottage Pie o 🤏 Cheese o Bake 📦 👩 Served with Gravy Served with Roast Served with Garlic Served with Chips and Herb Bread Potatoes and Gravy **Jacket Potatoes Jacket Potatoes Jacket Potatoes Jacket Potatoes 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 Chocolate and Crunchy Apple Crumble Strawberry Ice Carrot Cake & Chocolate Vanilla Marble with Custard & Cream Cake Biscuit