




# Weekly Newsletter

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## This week's focus: visit to Newquay Aquarium



On Tuesday, as part of their topic learning, Carn Brea and Godolphin classes went on the coach to visit Newquay Aquarium and have lunch on Towan beach. Emelia said, "it was a great trip and I loved it because of all the animals". Lily said, "I saw all the turtles which were really cute". Thank you to the mums and dads who came along as parent helpers to take such a big group on a visit.



## Bunny Bingo

Last Friday Friends of Penponds School organised Bunny Bingo in the school hall. It was a mammoth session of fundraising. Thank you to all the parents for supporting the event and the generous donations received on the night.

## Read, Write Inc training

This week six of our staff attended Read, Write Inc training to ensure we remain up to date on how we teach phonics in school. There were many new ideas to incorporate into our practice and assurance that the methods we use at school remain on the cutting edge of reading education in school.

## Ofsted at The Rainbow MAT

Ofsted have been busy within the Rainbow MAT this term with recent inspections at Troon and St Meriadoc Junior schools. Troon's report has been published and is available here: <http://www.troon.cornwall.sch.uk/website/our-performance/37631>

## Dates for your diary:

**Mon 8-12 May** – SATS week – Year 6

**Mon 15-19 May** – SATS week – Year 2

**Tues 16<sup>th</sup> May** – Maths information evening for parents

**Fri 26 May** – London Trip meeting for parents at 3.30pm

**Mon 29 May – Fri 2 June** – School Closed - Half Term

**Mon 5 June** – Sports Day – Class 1+2

**Mon 19-21 June** – London Residential – Class 4

**Wed 28 June** – Rainbow MAT Sports Day at Penponds School

**Mon 3-5 July** – Carnyorth Residential – Class 3

**Fri 7<sup>th</sup> July** – Penponds Family festival

**Tue 25 July** – Last Day for pupils

**Wed 26 July** – INSET DAY – School closed to pupils

**Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Sep** – INSET DAY – School closed to pupils

**Tue 5<sup>th</sup> Sep** – First day of Autumn Term

## This week's awards:

**Top Table** : Freya B, Eloise, Morley, Lee

## Class Awards:

**Carn Brea**: Erin, Harry M, Alfie K



I am very proud of the staff at both schools who continue to work extremely hard to achieve fantastic outcomes for the children in our area.



#### Trevithick day

Last Saturday our pupils led the dance through Camborne as part of the Trevithick day celebrations. The children had been practising in their own time and looked resplendent in their red bonnets and waistcoats. Our display, 'Innovation on Cornish Mining', included work from Trencom and Tregonning classes as well as a selection of engine houses made at home by the children. This was set up in the Masonic hall by Miss Souch. We won the display competition and were presented with a trophy bigger than the FA cup on Wednesday! Mrs Stone organised the children, sorted the costumes and taught them the dance so deserves much credit. Thank you to all the parents who were involved in bringing the children on Saturday morning and those who have emailed photos of the day into school. See the report in this week's West Briton. <http://www.cornwalllive.com/camborne-s-trevithick-day-impresses-thousands-of-spectators/story-30302194-detail/story.html>



#### Penponds Family Festival – Save the date

Our first Penponds Family festival will take place on FRIDAY 7<sup>th</sup> JULY from 3.30pm. There will be stalls, live music, school fete type activities and food. All the money raised from the festival will go towards improving the outside areas of the school. We are keen to get as many stall holders in as possible – if you would

like to book a table for the festival (or know anyone who may like to) please e mail [secretary@penponds.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:secretary@penponds.cornwall.sch.uk) **PAG – raffle prizes list:**

- 2 surf lessons with Gwithian Surf Academy
- Cream tea for two at The Alverton Hotel
- 2 Jump4 tickets
- 2 tickets for Camel Creek
- Wash, cut and blow dry at Hideaway Hair

**Godolphin:** Keira, Ellie S, Jayden

**Trencom:** Rosie, Fleur, Ben G

**Tregonning:** Jack V, Megan M

**Headteacher Awards:** Evie, Piran, Megan D, Bonnie-May, Charlie S

**Prefect Awards:**

Brody, James

**Netball Player of the Match:**

Jacob N – 9<sup>th</sup> February

Megan D – 7<sup>th</sup> March

Bonnie-May – 25<sup>th</sup> April

**Accelerated Reader Word Millionaire:**

Alice Fletcher

**Attendance:**

Carn Brea: 94.29%

Godolphin: 98.94%

Trencom: 99.43%

Tregonning: 94.93%

**Attendance Trophy:**

Trencom

**Quote of the week:**

A year from now you may think you should have started today –  
**Karen Lamb**

**Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers**

We are now collecting active sports vouchers from Sainsbury's to help us buy new sports and cooking equipment for the children. Our collection box is situated just inside the sliding door of the

2 tickets for Flambards  
£5 off your order at Gylly beach cafe Falmouth  
2 tickets for Merlin Cinema

### **Accelerated Reader update**

Congratulations to our new word millionaire this week – Emily Jones. Our total words read and understood has now beaten the total of 24 million from last year with still  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a term to go! 9 of our children are now word millionaires. Thank you for all the reading at home which is really inspiring the children to quiz on lots of books.

### **Netball report**

On Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May, Emily J, Megan D, Holly, Roisin, Alessia, Evie, Bonnie and Jacob played a netball match against Weeth School. Bonnie scored 4 goals and Megan scored three. In the last 30 seconds of the game Weeth managed to draw level so the game ended 4 all. We played extremely well and the player of the match was Alessia. **By Emily Jones.**

### **School uniform second hand sale**

We have a large amount of 2<sup>nd</sup> hand uniform in our garage. We plan on selling the uniform at the Family Festival on the 7<sup>th</sup> July – if you have old uniform you are willing to donate to the school any items will be gratefully received.

### **Summer term clubs**

Please see the link for our summer term clubs:

[http://www.penponds.cornwall.sch.uk/web/after\\_school\\_clubs/143886](http://www.penponds.cornwall.sch.uk/web/after_school_clubs/143886)

### **DfE consultation on Primary Assessment changes**

You may have heard in the news that the Government is consulting on changing the way assessments are carried out in primary schools. If you wish to have your say, here is link: <https://consult.education.gov.uk/assessment-policy-and-development/primary-assessment/>

### **Fundraising through Battery collection**

The school is now able to collect old batteries for recycling. The collection box is just inside the entrance door – please place any old batteries in the box and the school will receive money for each batch of batteries that are collected. Many thanks.

foyer. Please send in the vouchers with the children. Many thanks for your support.

### **School Text Messaging Service**

We are now able to text message parents; we will start using this service in the coming weeks. Initially only urgent texts will be sent, e.g. if a football game is cancelled. For more details, please see: [http://www.penponds.cornwall.sch.uk/web/text\\_messaging\\_service](http://www.penponds.cornwall.sch.uk/web/text_messaging_service)

The 'Extreme Reading Challenge' is simple. Make sure as parents you are reading with your child as much as possible during the week and sign their diaries. On a Friday any child who has read every day that week at home will have their name put into a draw for some, 'Extreme Reading' prizes. If possible, include a photo of them reading a book in an interesting location! Good-luck everyone!

