



# Gerrans School News

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23rd October 2015



Our Chair of Governors Mrs Annabelle Sylvester is available to discuss any matter with parents on 01872 501270

## Attendance Whole School

From 07th–22nd October 97.4%

In order to maintain OFSTED's judgement of BEHAVIOUR and SAFETY as outstanding this percentage is expected to be 95%

## Welcome

We would like to give a huge welcome to Alfie who has joined us a Year 4. We also look forward to welcoming Kieran into Year 5 and Jack and Jasmine as Year 3's on the 03rd November.



## Diary Dates

**Friday 23rd October** - PTA Monster Ball Halloween Disco 6pm–8pm in School Hall

**Monday 26th – 30th October** – Half Term

**Monday 2nd November 2015** - Inset Day School Closed to Pupils

**Tuesday 3rd November** – Growth Mindset Afternoon ( details to follow)

**Wednesday 4th November** - E-Safety Talk for Parents/Carers/ Governors

Community Lunch 12o' clock followed by E-Safety talk  
1.30–2.30pm

**Thursday 5th November** - Tempest School Photos  
Individual & Families

- Hockey Festival KS2 ( Details to follow)

**Wednesday 11th November** - Cross Country Par (selected KS2 pupils)

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**MAT Parental Consultation 6pm in School Hall ( please note new time)**

**Wednesday 25th November** - Badminton Festival KS2 ( details to follow)

**Wednesday 2nd December** - Parental Consultations 1.30 -4pm

**Thursday 3rd December** - Parental Consultations 3.30 -5.30pm

**Friday 4th December** - PTA Christmas Fayre 2–4pm

**Friday 11th December** - Whole School Nativity 6pm  
Gerrans church

**Wednesday 16th December** - School Christmas Dinner & party

**Thursday 17th December** - Whole School Christmas Trip

**Friday 18th December** - Last day of term School Finishes 1.30pm

**15/16 Inset Dates - School Closed**

Monday 22nd February 2016

Monday 11th April 2016

Friday 10th June 2016

## Lanhydrock House

We went to Lanhydrock house for our topic 'Through the keyhole'. We went to Lanhydrock because we are learning about old things like china dolls, toys, hot water bottles and houses. We walked through the gardens and saw flowers and unusual trees. We looked at the church and the graveyard. We had a picnic in the gardens watching people coming in and looking at the house. After lunch we went in the house to look around. Our favourite parts of the Lanhydrock were the servant quarters, the thatched house in the gardens and the ladies bedroom and bathroom. We all had a brilliant day at Lanhydrock.

By Samuel, Kane and Naomi

Year 2



## Harvest

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to our Harvest Auction in aid of the RNLI. A fantastic total of £335.65 was raised for the RNLI.

Thank you to our wonderful auctioneers for the afternoon Mrs Chaffin for the adult and Connor for the children's.



Thank you to everyone for their amazing generosity.

## Reminder

### E - Safety Workshop & Community Lunch

*Do you know how safe your child is on-line?*

*Do you know who they are playing games with on their phone, x-box etc.?*

*Do you know the content of the games?*

We urge you to join us for an informative update from Jane McFaul from Cornwall Learning between 1.15-2.15pm on Wednesday 4th November. If you are unable to make it a family representative is very welcome to attend.

Why not join us for lunch first?

Roast Chicken and seasonal vegetables



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Jelly and Ice Cream or Fresh Fruit



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## Multi Academy Trust Update

The next Parental Consultation Meeting is on Wednesday 11th November at 6pm in the School Hall.

Please respond to the Consultation Letter as the Consultation period is 2nd October - 13th November 2015.

If you are unable to attend this meeting in person we would ask you to complete the parental response form, expressions of support or concern are equally welcome.

## Pupil Premium

Since 1st September 2014, all Key Stage 1 pupils have been entitled to receive a free school meal as part of the Universal Infant Free School Meal initiative, regardless of what benefits are being claimed. However, if you are in receipt of benefits which would entitle your child to Free School Meals anyway, our school may be entitled to claim Pupil Premium funding to support your child's education, just by completing a simple form, If you think you would be entitled please see Mrs Hooper.

## Well Done

Well done to Ciara, Connor, Rosie and Evie who represented Gerrans School so well at the "Raising Standards Conference" last Friday at the Sands Hotel Newquay and presented a lively and engaging workshop.

They spoke about "Growth Mindset" and described their experiences of learning at Gerrans School.

Quotes from the day

*"Lovely to have some children in the last workshop to see how it impacts on them"*

*"I have to say this workshop was particularly enjoyable as having the students do it was an excellent idea! I learnt a lot from them!!"*

They are all a credit to their families and Gerrans School.



## School Absences

This is the latest information regarding Absences which has been passed on from our Educational Welfare Officer

*"If you decide to still take your child out of school, without permission, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may refer the matter to Cornwall Council who may decide to take legal action against you. A penalty notice can be issued under Section 444A and 444B of the Education Act 1996. This carries a fine of £60 if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the penalty notice will result in Court action."*

**Ofsted's figure for persistence absences is any attendance under 90%**

## Bonfire Festival Special Menu

Aspens are having a special menu on 5th November.

Flaming Beef Burger in a Bun

Or

Catherine Pinwheel

Served with Crackling Curly Fries, Popping Peas, Burning Baked Beans & Sky Rocket Tomato Sauce

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Sparkler Iced Sponge

Or

Firework Fruit Salad

As this menu falls on our popular "All day breakfast" day the breakfast will be served on Tuesday 3rd November.

