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**Orderliness** *You are practicing* **Orderliness**

*when you...*

- Have a place to put each of your things
- Put your things away in the same place every time
- Have a plan before you begin any job
- Create a harmonious space that feels peaceful
- Appreciate the beauty and order of nature

**Affirmation**  
*I live this day with order.  
 I do things step by step. I create beauty  
 and harmony in my space and in my life.*

Orderliness is being neat and living with a sense of harmony. You are organized, and you know where things are when you need them. Solve problems step by step instead of going in circles. Order around you creates order inside you. It gives you peace of mind.

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**Virtues**

This week's virtue of 'commitment' has provided a wonderful opportunity to highlight some of the great learning taking place in school. We have also related the virtue to the remembrance of people in the services who have shown great commitment to ensuring our freedom. Next week's virtue is 'orderliness' and we again ask parents to look for those opportunities to praise their child/ren for showing or working on this virtue.

**Foundation stage**

This week the children have made firework pictures and thought of words to describe the sounds of fireworks. On Wednesday they made edible sparklers with breadsticks, white chocolate, and sprinkles.

In maths, we have been describing numbers and comparing objects using the terms more and fewer.

The reception children in phonics have learnt the sounds h ,b,f,and l.  
 The Nursery have been listening to the sounds made by instruments and moving in different ways.  
 In handwriting we have practised another letter 'a' - the reception children should have a worksheet to practise at home. Please could this come back to school on Wednesday.  
 The children have been busy practising their Christmas songs they should all have a letter explaining their part in the play and the costume needed. Please come and see us if you need any help.  
 Christmas play performances will take place on Tuesday 11th December at 6:00 p.m. and again on Wednesday 12th December at 1:45 p.m. for Nursery and Reception children. Tickets will be available from the school office after Monday 19th November.

**Key Stage 1**

Rehearsals for the Year 1 and 2 Christmas play will be commencing next week and children will be taking their lines home to practise. Teachers have requested that children bring in any fair-tale costumes for the play and hand them to Mrs Figgins.

Christmas play performances will take place on Tuesday 11th December at 1:45 p.m. and again on Wednesday 12th December at 6:00 p.m. for Turtles, Starfish and Lobsters. Tickets will be available from the school office after Monday 19th November.

**Key Stage 2**

I asked yr3/4 children what they had been learning this week and I was overwhelmed by the response I got. The wealth of knowledge they have gained from their topic on the stone age is amazing and could go into great detail about the settlement of Skara Brae was truly amazing. They have also been learning about healthy food and digestion. Their favourite fact of the week was one of the effects of water on the digestive system!

In the Year 5/6 classes the children have produced some great descriptive writing based on the short animated French film 'Behind the Lines' which portrays the D-Day landings through letters that children have found in an attic.  
 Years 5 & 6 children went home with Transition booklets this week from Helston Community College. Please can parents make sure they get the registration forms back to Porthleven school office by Thursday 15th November and ask parents to please keep the rest of the booklet as this has all the relevant information you will need.

**The first Transition date for year 6 will be Wednesday 28th November 2018 and the activity will be Drama.**

Year 5 **do not start** Transition until Wednesday 13th March 2019.

**Friday 'Class Pride' Assemblies**

Next week Cormorants will lead our first class pride assembly. All Cormorant parents and extended family members are welcome to attend. It will start at 9.10 and last approximately 20 minutes.

Foundation Stage's assembly will be in the summer term.

Years 5/6	Friday Assembly	Years 3/4	Friday Assembly	Years 1/2	Friday Assembly
Cormorants	16th November	Swordfish	31st January	Starfish	1st March
Pelicans	23rd November	Emperor Fish	1st February	Turtles	8th March
Hérons	30th November			Lobsters	15th March



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### Attendance

As a school we have been focussing on improving our attendance and have started an award for the KS1 and KS2 class with the best attendance of the week. Starfish won this week with an attendance record of 99.1% and Emperor Fish won with 97.3% attendance.

### Parking

Please be aware that as of November the double yellow lines outside school are enforceable and penalties could include a £1000 fine. Again we just ask that you park with consideration to other road users, pedestrians and those who live near the school.



### School Disco - Update

On Thursday 22nd November there will be a school disco. The cost for tickets is £2.00 and includes a drink only (no food). The timings are as follows:-

- \* Foundation Stage and KS1 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. (Nursery children must be accompanied by an adult)
- \* KS2 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.

Donations of squash would be greatly appreciated and also helpers are needed for the evening. Please let the school office know if you can help or Mrs Richardson.

### Poppy Appeal 2018 and Porthleven Remembrance Service

We have received poppies and other items to sell for the Poppy Appeal this year.

Please see the pricing for some of the items that you can buy. Snap bands sold out. There is the following that you can still buy:-

- ◇ Erasers - £0.50
- ◇ Individual pencils - £0.50
- ◇ Car sticker - £0.50
- ◇ Sharpener - £0.50
- ◇ Stitch on Poppy - £0.50

Children can buy Poppies or other items at lunch times. Please make sure children bring correct monies for donations as we are unable to give change.

### Remembrance Sunday 11th November 2018.

**The parade will leave the Public Hall at 2.15pm. Service will be held at the Methodist Church at 2.30pm followed by Wreath Laying at the War Memorial.**

**There will also be an Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial @ 11am Full details can be seen on Councillor Andrew Wallis blog page and here is the link <http://www.cllrandrewwallis.co.uk/porthleven-remembrance-parade-11th-november-2018/>**



### Spanish

Local language activity, La Jolie Ronde Languages for Children (Licensor for Super Spanish), has triumphed at the prestigious children's education awards "What's On 4 Kids Awards 2018" to win **Best National Licensed Activity for 5-12 year olds** for the fifth year in succession.

Michelle Titheradge who runs Spanish classes for 5-12 year olds in Helston said, "Winning this award for the 5<sup>th</sup> year in a row brings with it a great deal of pride. 2018 was an exceptional year with voting very fierce across all the categories, right up to the end, so thank you to everyone who voted. We have once again demonstrated how popular our language classes are with parents and carers and the children we teach".

For more information or to book a free taster, contact Michelle Titheradge at [michelletitheradge@hotmail.com](mailto:michelletitheradge@hotmail.com).

### Tempest Individual and Family photographs.

Letters were sent home last week with children to ask parents if they would like family photographs. There is a slip which will need returning to the school office as soon as possible and no later than Friday 16th November so they can collaborate a time table of time slots for those families that wish to have family photographs.

Morning slots do fill up quickly due to many children having older siblings at Secondary schools and we ask families to keep this in mind. The office will text parents with their allotted time slot. Please keep this text or make a note of your time slot.

### Calendar - School term dates 2018/2019 - Important dates for your diaries are as follows:-

**Tuesday 20th November 2018 - Tempest Family and individual photographs**

**Thursday 22nd November 2018 - School Disco FS & KS1 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. KS2 Disco 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.**

**Wednesday 28th November 2018 - Year 6 Transition to Helston Community College - Activity Drama**

**Tuesday 4th December 2018 - Year 6 Transition to Helston Community College - Activity Maths**

**Wednesday 5th December 2018 - Christmas dinner menu for children**

**Tuesday 11th December 2018 - at 1:45 p.m. KS1 Christmas play**

**Tuesday 11th December 2018 - at 6:00 p.m. Foundation Stage Christmas play**

**Wednesday 12th December 2018 - at 1:45 p.m. Foundation Stage Christmas play**

