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Inspire Week

The teachers would like to extend their thanks to parents who attended the Inspire sessions on reading comprehension strategies this week. It really helped to discuss how reading comprehension and enjoyment can be improved by children following the strategies. The feedback from parents was very supportive and clearly shows that by following the same approach to reading, both at school and at home, will benefit the children hugely. Parents also requested some further information on the strategies and questions to encourage their children's reading comprehension skills at home. We will endeavour to include these in next week's newsletter.

Here are just a few examples of the fantastic feedback that parents gave who attend the sessions:

"Another great inspire session with a deep focus on reading questioning. Lots of really useful ideas which will definitely change the way we read at home. Thank you for the great opportunity to join in with a lesson".

"It was lovely to see the school children in their school setting and what they get up to. I sat in on Yr5 guided reading yesterday and it's been really interesting to see the different techniques."

"I think these sessions are a brilliant way to show parents how the children learn / are taught."

"It was nice to see how much information and detail the children can extract from one short text."

"It was really interesting to see the different techniques they use to analyse text. It was also lovely to see how well the children work together."

Virtues

Next week's virtue is 'peacefulness'

Peacefulness *You are practicing Peacefulness*

when you...

- Create inner peace with daily reflection or prayer
- Use peaceful language even when you are angry
- Speak gently and respectfully
- Avoid harming anyone
- Appreciate differences
- Find peaceful solutions to every problem

Affirmation

I am peaceful. I use peaceful words and find fair solutions when differences arise. I find my inner peace and let it carry me gently through the day.

Peacefulness is being calm inside. Take time for daily reflection and gratitude. Solve conflicts so everyone wins. Be a peacemaker. Peace is giving up the love of power for the power of love. Peace in the world begins with peace in your heart.

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Foundation stage

This week during our "Little Robins" Forest school session we have been busy making mud paint and leaf crowns.

The reception children have learnt a new set of phonemes g, o, c and k.

The Nursery have used their bodies to make sounds and tried to keep in time to the beat of a nursery rhyme.

During maths we have been focusing on forming the numbers 1-5 please keep practising at home.

The children have enjoyed our Rainbow pond music session and have been tapping to the beat of the music and playing the ocarina.

Thank you to all those parents that attended our inspire session we had some great feedback "Fantastic to see how to read a book with your child in relation to what they look at school."

Key Stage 1

The focus of literacy this week has been writing instructions and the children were surprised to be making sandwiches in their lessons.

Thank you for the cardboard and pots - the children really enjoyed learning about the features of castles through building castles this week.

In science they have developed their understanding of the stages in the human life-cycle from birth to old age.

Key Stage 2

3/4 Children have enjoyed learning about fossils and sharing experiences of finding them. Teachers asked to please remind your children that the composting bins need to be brought in on Monday.

In years 5 & 6 children have been learning about thermal insulation and have investigated the properties of a range of materials. In their topic on fair trade children have learnt how goods are imported and exported from China and have also studied the features of OS maps of the port of Southampton.



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Parent Gardening Club!

Porthleven school needs parents to come and help us maintain and keep the garden safe for children. If you are interested the club meets on Wednesday after school at the sensory garden. Parents are welcome to bring and involve their children in the gardening or the children can play on the apparatus nearby.

Sporting Achievements

Well done to all the children who took part in the Helston College cross country event.
 Also this week the Year 5 football team had a resounding result with a 14-0 win against Mullion!

A note from our MAT Office

The draft **Southerly Point Co-operative Multi-Academy Trust Admissions Policy for 2020-2021** has been published on our school website for consultation. This can be found by going to the parents tab on our website, Policies and then under the MAT Policies or by following this link <https://porthleven.eschools.co.uk/website/policies/3778>.

Please could any feedback be emailed to Karen Teague (MAT Administrator) via kteague@southerlypoint.co by 28th November 2018. Many thanks.

School Fundraiser

Thank you to all the pupils, parents and staff who showed their support for Toni Gunn and her daughter Gabriella's fundraising to fight motor neurone disease. The non-school uniform day today **raised an impressive £193.13**. Mrs Gunn will update the school with how Gabriella got on with her sponsored silence.

Nasal Flu Vaccinations

Children who had consent for their nasal flu vaccination received these on Thursday 4th October 2018. If your child did not receive the vaccine but would like them to, Kernow Immunisations are offering catch-up clinics. Please call 01872 21105 to book your child in.

Chartwells Job Vacancy

Chartwells Catering have a vacancy in Porthleven School catering. This is a catering assistant and is 10 hours a week. The position is is term time only with salary spread over whole year.

Are you interested in school catering that fits around your family life?
 If so, why not join our friendly professional catering team.
 Appropriate training will be given and smart uniforms provided.

Please contact the Chartwells Recruitment line on 01872 540263 or email cornwall.vacancies@compass-group.co.uk for an application form.

Scholastic book fair

There will be a Scholastic Book Fair at school in the infant hall from Monday 15th October 2018 until Wednesday 17th October 2018. Pupils and their families are welcome to come along from 3:15p.m. until 4:00p.m.

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

- Tuesday 16th October 2018 - Cross Country (3) for years 3, 4, 5 & 6 at Mullion and starts from 4:00 p.m.
- Friday 19th October 2018 - Year 1 hearing screening
- Monday 22nd October 2018 - Friday 26th October 2018 - School closed for Half term
- Tuesday 20th November 2018 - Tempest Family and individual photographs
- Wednesday 5th December 2018 - Christmas dinner menu for children

Chartwells Catering have a Vacancy in:
PORHLEVEN SCHOOL
SCHOOL CATERING ASSISTANT – 10 Hours a Week
(Position's are term time only with Salary Spread Over Whole Year)

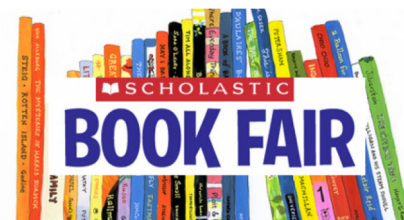
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Playgroup

All welcome to join us, Tuesday's 9—11 a.m. in the infant hall.