



Happy New Year

Happy New Year and welcome back to school. I hope you all had a good Christmas, and that you were able to spend some time relaxing and recuperating before returning to school.

The first week back has seemed really calm; children have returned to school happy and eager to continue learning. The topic for Y1 – 6 pupils this term is 'Voyage of The Mystery' and YF will be learning about transport and journeys. Lots of exciting learning has been planned, including a trip to the Maritime Museum in Falmouth.

There is a lot of lost property in the storage box under the shelter, if you are missing an item then please take a look. Please remember to label all your child's clothes, lunchboxes, school bags etc. Can you please ensure that your child brings a coat to school; the weather is very cold at the moment and it is forecast to get even colder next week.

As ever, thanks for everything you do to support the school and don't hesitate to make an appointment to speak to your child's teacher or me if you have any concerns or queries.

Katherine Warren

Year 6 Camp Fundraising

Well done to Kitty-Bea, Freya, Amelia, Harry, Theo, Ebony and Savannah for bag packing at Sainsbury's, on one of the busiest shopping days before Christmas, to help raise money towards the year 6 Torquay trip in June.

The children enjoyed the challenge and greeted customers with big smiles. They raised £236 which will be deducted from the cost.

Thank you staff and parents that came along and supported the children and also a big thank you to Mrs Wood for Organising with Sainsbury's such a fantastic opportunity.



Wake and Shake

Our year 5 and 6 Wake and Shake leaders are very excited to inform you that on Monday 21 January we are going to start our daily Wake and Shake sessions. These five minute routines will take place each morning before school at 8:50 am on the court. All children and their parents / carers are encouraged to join in with these daily sessions. Children can bring their belongings with them onto the court or leave them under the shelter on the tables. If it is raining heavily the session will not take place and children therefore go straight to their classrooms. We would like to thank Kea School friends for their support with purchasing the new sound system and we look forward to seeing improved attention and coordination in the classrooms as a result of this new initiative. Sarah Walker – Healthy Schools Co-ordinator



School Council News

In the Autumn Term, we participated in Children in Need, dressing up in spotty, superhero or pyjamas for the occasion. The school raised £219.80 for a brilliant charity.

At the Christmas Fayre, people had to guess the weight of the cake, how many sweets in the jar and the name of the teddy. Our stall raised lots of money for the PTA to help fund school events and resources. Many of the School Council members worked a shift on the stall and were really helpful. At Christmas time, the children were invited to wear a Christmas jumper and this raised £158.84 for "Save the Children" charity. A great effort for a charity close to our hearts.

Look out for more charity and fundraising events in the coming months.

Year 1's Marvellous Materials

In Science Year 1 are exploring materials. They have started with some activities to sort and classify objects according to their properties and the materials they are made from. The children used "feely bags" to feel and describe the texture and malleability of objects, they sorted objects with the same and different properties and characteristics and finally played "What is it?" in partners describing how an object looked, felt and behaved!



Farewell to Mr Symons

Sadly we will be saying farewell to Mr Symons. He will be leaving us to move to Plymouth and he will start a new job with Great Western Railway. His last day at Kea will be Friday 8 February. We will be collecting for a leaving present for him, if you would like to bring in a donation.

Swimming Gala

On Monday Madison, Bethany, Millie, Ella, Hector, Harvey, William from year 5 and Ruby, Eleanor, Charlotte, Freya, Findlay, Oliver and Carey from year 6 took part in the swim gala at Truro School. All schools who are part of the Penair School Sports Partnership took part in this event. The results were as follows:

Year 5 Girls - 5th
Year 5 Boys - 3rd
Year 6 Girls - 2nd
Year 6 Boys - 3rd

Well done to Freya for winning the year 6 freestyle and to Hector and Findlay for being great team members, gaining extra points for the school.

Polwhele House Inter-School Cross-Country Match
Saturday 9 March 2019

Entries are welcome for the Polwhele House Inter-School Cross-Country Match on Saturday 9 March . Multi-terrain races (grass and woodland) will be staged in three age categories: Y3/4 (1km); Y5/6 (1.5km) & Y7/8 (2.5km). Medals will be awarded for the top three boys and girls for each race with the top six finishers from each school in the Y3/4 and Y5/6 races contributing to an overall team prize. The Polwhele House Society will also be providing refreshments throughout the morning.

Timings for the day are as follows:

9.30am	Registration/Refreshments available
9.40am	Walk the Course
10.15am	Y7/8 Race (2.5km)
10.40am	Y5/6 Race (1.5km)
11.00am	Y3/4 Race (1km)
11.30am	Presentation of Awards

If your child would like to take part, please notify the office by Wednesday 13 February. There is an entry fee of £1 for each runner for which cheques should be made payable to 'Polwhele House'. We will also need a nominated team manager to register the team on the day.

After School Clubs

After school clubs have commenced this week. Information about clubs has already been circulated to you last term, please remember that children cannot take part in a club unless they have been booked a place. There are currently still places available in Monday yr 4-6 netball, Tuesday yr 3-6 cross country, Thursday yr 2 drama and Thursday yr 2-3 multi skills. If your child has booked a place and no longer wishes to attend, please notify the school office so that the place can be offered to another child. Many thanks

Spring Term Dates

January

Thurs 17	First spring term swimming session Y3 & Y4
Wed 23	9.10 am Governing Body T & L Committee meeting
Thur 24	4.00 pm Youth Speak Competition at Truro Prep School
Tues 29	8.00 am Governing Body Resources & Safeguarding Committee meeting
Wed 30	Year F,1 and 2 Maritime Museum Trip
Thurs 31	Year 5 and 6 Maritime Museum Trip

February

Fri 1	Year 3 and 4 Maritime Museum Trip
Fri 1	1.00 - 3.00 pm Year 5/6 Cross Country Qualifier
Mon 4	1.30 - 3.30 pm Full Governors meeting
Wed 6	9.15 am-12.00 pm Year 5 Junior Life Skills at New County Hall Truro
Fri 15	Break up for half term
18-22	Half term
Tues 26	8.00 am Resources and Safeguarding Committee meeting
Thur 28	Last Year 3 & 4 swimming session

March

Tues 5	St Piran's day
Wed 6	9.10 am Governing Body T & L Committee Meeting
Thurs 7	World book day
Mon 18	1.30-3.30 pm Full Governors meeting
w/b 18 Mar	Parent teacher consultations for all year groups
Fri 22	Non school uniform day for Easter bingo
Fri 29	KSF Easter Bingo