

## January 2019

### Overview

Happy New Year! It was lovely to welcome the students back to school at the start of Spring Term 2019. We trust that you all had an enjoyable and restful break. Later this term we have a school disco and will send out more details nearer the time.

### Staff news

As you will be aware we were recruiting last term. Later this month we will be welcoming a new member of staff to join our team of LSAs. Sadly, this will be Kyle's last term with us before he takes up a new position based at Pencalenick School and we wish him all the best in his new adventure.

### E-Safety & Safeguarding

Our focus for our Inset day at the beginning of term was safeguarding, during which all staff completed their annual update.

As the internet is a constantly evolving thing it is important to keep up to date with changes and security settings.

[Uksaferinternet.org](http://Uksaferinternet.org) is a good site to keep you informed as parents, and has films, games, quizzes and advice to help your children use the internet safely, responsibly and positively.

### School Emergency Closures

At all times the welfare and safety of students and staff is our key concern. If we need to close the school out of school hours (for example in adverse weather conditions such as heavy snow) we will call & text parents/carers by 7.30am. If we need to close the school during school hours,

### Upcoming Events

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#### End of term

15<sup>th</sup> February

#### School Disco

15<sup>th</sup> February

5pm-6pm

#### Term Begins

25<sup>th</sup> February

### News and Information

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the school will first contact the parent to inform them of the decision to close and establish if they or someone close is at home to receive the student. The school will then arrange with the taxi company to collect the students from school at their earliest convenience. School will liaise with parents to update them.

If you would like to update your mobile number, please call the office on 01872 561010.

## **Other News**

### **Homeless Shoebox Appeal (West)**

Many thanks for your contributions to the Homeless Shoebox Appeal last term. The students managed to fill four large boxes which they dropped off at St. Petroc's at the end of last term and these were gratefully received.

### **Food Technology**

This term students will be making a range of recipes that focus on developing independent skills and techniques. Recipes include, Macaroni cheese, pesto pizza, tomato and bean soup and sausage rolls, to name a few. Here are a few photographs of the students creating amazing things last term.



## Duke of Edinburgh

We will be continuing to work on our compass and map reading skills as we move closer towards the expedition, which will take place next term. Students will continue with their volunteering and through this are making a valuable contribution to their local communities.



Litter picking in the park



Working with reptiles.



Maintaining a local church.

## Spare clothing for students

Please can we remind parents to provide a spare set of clothes which could remain in school for their child. Due to the unpredictable nature of the Cornish winter weather it would be useful for all students to have a set of spares. Warm coats and waterproofs and walking boots are also necessary at this time of year, particularly as we try to make good use of clear, dry weather.

## Contact:

We like to keep in touch with news and events through email and newsletters throughout the academic year. If you would like to make any suggestions or comments at any time, please feel free to contact us at the school: 01872 561010, via Kathleen's school mobile: 07813 930824, by email: any of the teachers in the same format as [kathleen.hampshire@spectrumasd.org](mailto:kathleen.hampshire@spectrumasd.org), or Sam, our administrator: [samantha.haining@spectrumasd.org](mailto:samantha.haining@spectrumasd.org) We look forward to hearing from you.

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