

# St Levan School Newsletter

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We have had another exciting and busy week at St Levan! Thank you to our amazing children for talking so positively about our school and impressing the 'Challenge Partners' visitors with their commitment to learning and to each other. We were praised for our mixed-age teaching, the creative curriculum and how every child is cared for and celebrated as an individual. This was a mutually beneficial experience enabling teaching staff to reflect and share ideas. Thank you to everyone involved; we are getting lots of positive praise for being such a special place!

## **SPINDRIFT DANCE PERFORMANCE**

Following a lot of practising with Charlotte from the Spindrift Dance Company, Years 1 and 2 took to the stage at The Minack Theatre on Friday afternoon for their dance performance. After reading the West African story of Pretty Salma, an alternative version of Little Red Riding Hood, the children worked alongside Charlotte to choreograph a routine to tell this tale. On Friday afternoon, between the rain showers, we joined forces with other local primary schools to celebrate each other's dances and to show-case our own. A huge thank you to everyone who took part and to all the friends and family who made it along to the performance to support the children. It was wonderful to see everyone dancing together; our dancing really did make the rain go away!



## **SIKHISM WORKSHOP**

A big thank you to Daya for visiting and teaching us about Sikhism. Daya spent an hour in each class answering questions from the children and enabling them to compare and contrast Sikhism with other religions. We learnt about where and how Sikhs pray, traditional dress and performed traditional dancing and some of us had the opportunity to cook chapattis which we ate alongside parshad and potato curry. All very tasty! Here's what we thought...

"I didn't like the chapattis... I loved them!" – Seb

"I liked all of it..." - Morvy

"It was exciting because Daya came back and we got to learn about a new religion. Dressing up was good – we experienced a different culture. We got to dance to some beautiful music. I think it's important to learn about all religions because you won't get confused and you can see that they are all good in their own way." - Fred





## **RNLI ASSEMBLY**

Thank you to Nick, from the RNLI, for coming into our assembly and teaching us about beach safety. We talked about what to do if you get into trouble in the water and asked many questions about being a lifeguard.

## **CAN YOU HELP?**

We are looking for a couple of people to help Mr Yarwood putting the new goalposts together which will be kept at the field. Please speak to Mr Yarwood to arrange a convenient time.

## **HEAD LICE**

Head lice continue to be an ongoing problem. It would be really helpful if children with long hair could wear it up. In addition, please could you check your child's hair regularly and treat any head lice found straight away. Thank you.

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

- **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May** – Alice will be starting music with the children that have signed up. Please note, this provision is in addition to the National Curriculum.
- **14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> May** – National Year 6 SATs week (more information to follow from Miss Finch).
- **22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> May** – Interviews for Headteacher.

**Congratulations** to the following children for gaining their reading bands. Look at all our super readers!

### **ORANGE KARATE SUPER READING STARS (45 reads)**

Findlay

### **GREEN KARATE READING STAR (60 reads)**

Georgiana, Jemima, Hayley

### **BLUE KARATE SUPER READING STARS (80 reads)**

Hayley, Elliot, Alice, Tamsyn

### **PURPLE KARATE READING STAR (100 reads)**

Elliot, Thea, Martha

### **BLACK KARATE SUPER READING STARS (180 reads)**

Ruby



## **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SHINING STARS**

**Georgiana** for sharing her own ideas and experiences in our assembly about forgiveness.

**Saskia** for independently recognising mistakes with her capital letters and working so hard to amend these. A great attitude to learning!

**Lola** for sharing her ideas so clearly with our class.

**Tian** for her excellent ideas on what forgiveness means.

**We are very proud of all our children.**

### **Our Virtue for the next couple of weeks:**

*Commitment is...*

Caring deeply and giving your best.

Not giving up when things become difficult.

