



Newsletter

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CLASS NEWS

Kynance Class— Next week we will be concluding our topic of Light and Dark. We will also start our new topic - Christmas! We will start at the end of the week by telling the Christmas story and talking about Advent - another festival of light. We will look at the book 'The Jolly Postman' and talk about letters and other things that are posted. Maths is about money. Children begin to recognise that different coins have different values (they will buy more or less, are worth more or less). They then begin to match real coins to amounts of money, e.g. 10p is ten 1p coins, 20p is twenty 1p coins. They then start to use money in small amounts to buy things, starting to realise that they can pay a given amount using different combinations of coins. At least one of the chickens has started laying - 2 eggs as we go to press! We will continue monitoring them in the hope that they will lay enough eggs for us to do some baking. Reading books will still be changed Tuesday and Friday. Please try to make sure you have your book bags with books and signed/initialled reading records in school on those days so we can change them. Thanks!

Gwithian Class— Next week Gwithian will be editing our work and beginning a unit of instructions. We will be making fruit salads to support our 'Healthy Me' topic. In Maths we are going to look at the part-whole model and reintroduce the addition symbol and its true meaning. In Science we are going to use our senses to explore the world around us. A fantastic start to the children's Nativity rehearsal - please remember to bring back the letters to ensure you have tickets for the performances. If you are unsure about your child's role in the Nativity, please do not hesitate to ask me about it.

Sennen Class— Next week in Sennen Class we are going to be innovating our class story 'The Huge Bag of Worries' to 'The Huge Box of Nightmares'. We are going to be thinking about adding suffixes to words and continuing to learn about words with contracted forms. In Maths we are having a Division week where we will be thinking about halving numbers and then dividing using an array. In Science we are going to be thinking about food chains and in Topic we are going to be thinking about how we travel to school and recording this in a tally chart.

Fistral Class— In Fistral next week we will be inventing our Literacy texts based on 'How to be a Viking'. During Maths we will be continuing to focus on addition and subtraction. In Science we will be continuing to methodically test, classify and sort different materials. During Topic we will be researching Viking longhouses.

Pentire Class— Next week in Pentire class, we will be starting a new non-fiction unit in literacy. We will be learning all about different types of biographies and report writing and we will be working on producing our own newspaper report. In Maths we will have a focus on applying multiplication and division skills. We will be building on what we already know and we will be using our skills to solve one and two step word problems. In Topic work, we will be looking at the extent and power of the British Empire under Queen Victoria reign and finding out more information about what daily life was like for the rich and the poor Victorians in Great Britain. In Science we will be exploring the biology of the ear and how the human body is designed to receive sound by producing scientific diagrams of the inner ear.

Marazion Class— In English next week, Marazion are going to study biographies; in particular, focusing on Charles Darwin. In Maths next week, Marazion are going to compare and order fractions and express fractions in the same denomination. During Science and Topic next week, Marazion will explore evidence for evolution in more depth.

MESSAGE FROM MS MCNAMARA

A huge thank you to Miss Savage for stepping in and agreeing to be our Acting Head of School, at least for the next few weeks. I know that you all know how committed Miss Savage is to ensuring that our children receive the very best educational experience we can give them - she has worked at TLA for 5 years now and her care and consideration for every child is evident in all she does.

I will continue to be at TLA for the majority of the week and support Miss Savage in her new role. I'm thankful we have such wonderfully positive and committed teachers and staff who have demonstrated their determination to ensure that our children and their learning is not affected at all by the period of uncertainty at leadership level. I'll ensure that I keep you all informed with regard to the on-going situation with Mr Hill and, in the meantime, thank you for being so supportive and reassuring toward Louise - I know she has appreciated it!

Thank you Miss Valentine! I recently informed you that Miss Valentine will be taking up a new role at Aspire central Office and we would be losing her from our Office just before Christmas - I'm really pleased to be able to let you know that she has agreed to stay on until the end of term. Again this indicates just how committed she is to our school and our community - it is a huge relief for us all during this turbulent time that we have a calm, reassuring presence at the front desk!

OUTSTANDING WORKERS

Kynance

Samuel for fantastic focus in phonics which he is really enjoying.

Gwithian

Sebby for engaging with his Maths tremendously and bringing a smile to Miss Guy and Mrs Mitchell's face every day.

Sennen

Richard for an outstanding effort with his RENN reading.

Fistral

Robyn H for giving 100% effort to improve her understanding of place value and our class story.

Pentire

Year 4- Alfie for brilliant Maths work on measurement.

Year 5- Charlie for working really hard to improve his handwriting.

Marazion

Joseph for showing resilience during maths lessons. Joseph has been working super hard to solve long multiplication problems independently. Well done!

**WEEK COMMENCING NOVEMBER 27TH -
WEEK 2 OF THE MENU WILL BE SERVED**

SEATBELTS

We had our local PCSOs at TLA on Wednesday to carry out parking checks. While they were here they observed that there were several children being driven to school without seatbelts on. As a driver you are responsible for ensuring that anyone under the age of 14 wears a seat belt or uses an appropriate child restraint as required **by law**.

JUMPER LABELS

Can you please ensure that your child's jumper is clearly labelled with their name and also check that the jumper that your child brings home is theirs.

PANTOMIME AT TLA

Thursday was our annual Christmas Pantomime here at TLA. M&M Productions performed Cinderella for the children and even had some of the staff up dancing.

CHRISTMAS DECORATION DAY

You are invited to attend our Christmas decoration craft morning on Wednesday 6th December from 9am. We need donations of as many clean clear plastic water bottles as possible please.



DIARY DATES

We apologise for any confusion surrounding the Christmas dates at TLA. Please see below for dates for this term

DECEMBER

6th	Christmas Decoration Craft Morning— Parents welcome from 9am
8th	Non uniform day – donations for our Christmas fair requested eg. wrapped sweets, mince pies, festive chocolate and raffle prizes
11th	KS1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal performing to KS2
12th	Reception Class Nativity Play at 2pm
13th	TLA Christmas Lunch
14th	KS1 Nativity Play at 9am and 2pm
15th	Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day—£1 donation requested for charity
15th	FOTLA Christmas Fair from 2:30—4:30pm
18th	KS2 Carol Concert—Details TBC
19th	Class Christmas Parties—Children to please bring in food—Girls sweet and Boys savoury
20th	Last Day of Term



CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS 21ST DECEMBER—3RD JANUARY 2018