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You are practicing

# Courage

when you...

- Stay strong even when you are afraid
- Are willing to try new things
- Admit mistakes and learn from them
- Make amends when you do something wrong
- Do what is right for you even when it is hard
- Ask for help when you need it

**Affirmation**

*I have courage. I listen to my heart.  
 I face my fears and am willing to try new things.  
 I have the courage to do the right thing.*



Courage is bravery in the face of fear. You do the right thing even when it is hard or scary. When you are courageous, you don't give up. You try new things. You admit mistakes. Courage is the strength in your heart.

**Virtues**  
 Many of the certificates that were awarded in our 'Pride Assembly' this week highlighted children's determination in their learning. Whether it is learning spellings, hitting their reading target, improving their performance in 'Times Tables Rockstars' or developing their handwriting it wonderful to see there is an atmosphere of determination around school. Next week's virtue is 'courage'.

**Foundation stage**  
 This week the children have been listening to the Christmas story and sequencing pictures. The Reception children have had a go at writing words and caption to go with the pictures. In phonics, the Reception children have been looking at double ff, ss and ll at the end of words writing and segmenting and

blending sounds in words. The Nursery children have been developing their understanding of alliteration, they have been playing the game silly soup adding items to the soup e.g in goes a bumblebee, bug, and banana.

In maths we have been ordering numbers from 1-5 or 1-10 and making our own track games. Thank you to all those parents that attended the "Inspire handwriting session". The children certainly benefitted from your support. We had some positive feedback: "This session was a great insight to how our children are learning letter formation. I was impressed to see the different ways of learning including rice boxes for letter writing."

School nurses will be in Thursday 29th November to take the Reception class children's height and weight. Forms to opt out were sent home several weeks ago and only need to be brought back to the school office if you are opting no to your child/ren having this done.

Christmas play performances will take place on: Tuesday 11th December at 6:00 p.m. and again on Wednesday 12th December at 1:45 p.m. for Nursery and Reception children. Tickets are 3 per family and a waiting list if more are needed. The tickets are free as this is the Christmas gift to you from your children.

Grandparents are welcome to come along to see performance on Monday 10th December from 9:00am. Please let the school office know how many for seating.

**Key Stage 1**  
 The dentist visited the school this week. Please ask the children what they learnt. There is a class treat for KS 1 this week—please see letters in book bags. Christmas play performances will take place on Tuesday 11th December at 1:45 p.m. and again on Wednesday 12th December at 6:00 p.m. for Turtles, Starfish and Lobsters. Grandparents are welcome to come along to see performance on Monday 10th December from 9:00am. Please let the school office know how many for seating.

**Key Stage 2**  
 Key Stage 2 children took part in the annual swimming gala this week. Years 3/4 came 3rd overall and Years 5/6 came 4th. Josh and Amie Wakfer both won their races. Well done to all the children who took part. Year 3/4 have also been learning about Stonehenge this week in history and about the different types of animal skeletons. Swordfish and Emperor fish class will be holding a carol service for parents on Friday 14th December 2018 from 2:00pm. Teachers request that the children practise their singing at home. Year 5 & 6 have been creating time-lines of World War II and been drafting their letters from service men after D-Day. Year 5s have been learning about factors, primes and square numbers in maths. Year 6 have started learning about fractions, which a large part of the Year 6 maths syllabus. Times tables knowledge is essential, so please support your child as they practise on 'Times Tables Rockstars'.

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**Friday 'Class Pride' Assemblies**  
 Next week Herons will lead their 'Pride Assembly'. All Herons parents and extended family members are welcome to attend. It will start at 9.10 and last approximately 20 minutes.

Foundation Stage's assembly will be in the summer term.

Years 5/6	Friday Assembly	Years 3/4	Friday Assembly	Years 1/2	Friday Assembly
Cormorants	16th November	Swordfish	31st January	Starfish	1st March
Pelicans	23rd November	Emperor Fish	1st February	Turtles	8th March
Herons	30th November			Lobsters	15th March



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**Christmas Lunch menu - Wednesday 5th December 2018**

Farm assured roast turkey  
 or  
 Vegetarian yule log

Traditional sage and onion stuffing  
 Chipolata sausage  
 Roast gravy  
 Roast potatoes  
 Honey roast parsnips  
 Button sprouts  
 Carrot batons & garden peas

Festive shortbread biscuit with a clementine  
 or Christmas sponge and creamy custard

School dinners cost £2.30 per day.

**Please let the school office know what your child will want for Christmas dinner so our canteen can get the food order in time to meet the children's choices.**

**Last day for this information is Tuesday 27th December 2018.**



**Attendance Award**

Lobsters won this week's attendance for KS1 with 96.2% attendance and for KS2 Herons won with 99% attendance.

Porthleven Community Group invites you to

A Pudding and Wine Evening  
 6-8pm Saturday 26th November  
 Porthleven Public Hall

Do you & your family like pudding?  
 Do you fancy a break from  
 Saturday night T.V.?

Come and join us to share your pudding  
 and try others too. You can bring a bottle,  
 but not necessary.

Entertainment provided  
 by Porthleven  
 School  
 Signing Choir.

Everyone welcome.

**Porthleven Community Event**

Porthleven Community Group's Pudding and Wine evening is in Porthleven Public Hall this Saturday (24th November) from 6-8pm. Everyone is welcome – if you can, bring a pudding to share and your own wine or other drinks. Tea, coffee and squash will be provided. Porthleven School Signing Choir are performing at 6:15pm and there'll be Christmas crafts for children. Come along for a fun, relaxed evening out. Hope to see you there!

**Photograph orders**

Please can all photograph orders be handed back to the school office by Wednesday 28th November 2018.



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

**Wednesday 28th November 2018 - Year 6 Transition to Helston Community College - Activity Drama**

**Thursday 29th November 2018 - Reception children & Year 6 Height and weight**

**Friday 14th December 2018 - Emperor fish & Swordfish Carol Service to parents at 2:00 p.m.**

**Tuesday 4th December 2018 - Year 6 Transition to Helston Community College - Activity Maths**

**Wednesday 5th December 2018 - Christmas dinner menu for children**

**Friday 7th December 2018 - Porthleven Christmas lights switch on - 6:30 p.m.**

**Tuesday 11th December 2018 - at 1:45 p.m. KS1 Christmas play**

**Tuesday 11th December 2018 - at 6:00 p.m. Foundation Stage Christmas play**

**Wednesday 12th December 2018 - at 1:45 p.m. Foundation Stage Christmas play**

**Wednesday 12th December 2018 - at 6:00 p.m. KS1 Christmas play**