



Nanpean Community Primary School

Nurturing Children's Passion to Succeed



NEWSLETTER

11/01/2019

We hope you feel that you are always treated fairly, and feel able to come into school to discuss issues. We are always open to reviewing our equity policies.

Happy New Year!

Firstly may I take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy New Year, and send my best wishes to the children, parents and families of Nanpean CP School. My intention on the newsletter is to write about the week to provide you with some insight as to what our children and staff are doing. This week, we had an INSET day on Monday where I spoke to staff about myself, both personally and professionally, and I started to outline my expectations and some of my plans and ambitions for NCPS. There were also many opportunities for staff to feedback on their views.

From Tuesday, it has been a pleasure to begin seeing the children flourish in their classes with the staff, and I also enjoyed meeting parents at my first Parents Forum on Wednesday morning.

In terms of me visiting classrooms this week, I am excited to see lots of classes begin their new Topics: Year 2 made some super Pirate hats and were able to tell me their Pirate names, Year 4 tasted some food (although unfortunately I was too late to try any), Year 5 were telling me about their animation work, and I was also interested to hear about the Year 6 Topic where they will be learning about 'upcycling'. I am sure the children will enjoy these Topics and will have some excellent work completed when finishing the Topics. I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mr Nicholls

⇒ **Christmas Fair**

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who came to our Christmas Fair last term and made it a huge success; we raised a tremendous £1,235.75 which our School Council will determine how to spend. A special thanks goes to Miss Dash for organising the whole event and to the staff and parent helpers for setting up and running stalls. We would also like to thank the many companies, parents/ family members and staff who donated prizes or items to sell at the Fair. Without your generosity, it would not be possible to put on such a lovely event for our community.

⇒ **Parents Forum**

Mr Nicholls held his first PTA meeting on Wednesday and it was very well attended. Thank you to those who came along and are able to dedicate their time to support the school and offer your feedback on what we are doing well and what could be improved upon. Minutes from the Forum are available on the school website. The next Forum will take place at 9am on **Wednesday 6th February at 9:00am.**

⇒ **Absence Reminders**

We would like to remind all parents/ carers that if your child is going to be absent from school, you must contact the office to inform us of the reason for the absence. Leave of Absence requests (available from the Office) must be completed, or appointment letters must be provided for planned absences. If we do not have any explanation for an absence, it will not be authorised.

STARS OF THE WEEK

Each week, Nanpean School staff choose one pupil from their class who has shone to be their class star. This could be due to their consistently good behaviour, putting a lot of effort into their work, or their super learning. **'Star of the Week' texts will be sent home every Thursday. Please ensure we have the correct mobile number on record for you.**

This week our stars are:

Eden— Maisie Margetts for brilliant independent writing by making signs for our class eggs.

Hendra— Freya Jeffs for her positive attitude to learning and for always smiling.

Prosper— Dexter Hill for showing super perseverance when solving a Maths problem.

Karlsruhe— Connor Wills for his superb concentration and effort with his writing this week.

Melbur— Hallemay England for being a kind and caring member of our class.

Drinnick— Jowun Dawidiuk for his great talk partner work in class.

Rosemellyn— Lauren Bates for a great start back with enthusiasm in all subject areas.

LUNCHTIME AWARD

Each week we present a child with a Lunchtime Award. This is to recognise and reward a child who has been notably kind, helpful or well behaved during lunchtimes for the week. This week our Lunchtime Award goes to:

Stacey Hambly for helping in the playground with enthusiasm.

BUSY BEES

Busy Bees are awards given out to children to acknowledge that an aspect of their learning or behaviour is exceptional.



There were no Busy Bees this week.

ATTENDANCE

w/c 07/01/2019		Karlsruhe	95.68%
Eden	97.37%	Melbur	96.38%
Hendra	94.05%	<u>Drinnick</u>	<u>100%</u>
Prosper	98.72	Rosemellyn	98.15%

REMINDERS

⇒ **There will be NO Football or Netball after school clubs on Tuesday 15th January, Tuesday 29th January, and Tuesday 12th February due to match fixtures taking place.**

⇒ **Class letters and Curriculum overviews were sent home this week via eSchools. If you have not received a copy of this, please let the office know. There are also copies of each uploaded to the class pages on the school website.**

⇒ **Football / Netball Match ~ Bugle 15/01/19**
 Letters have been sent out to inform you of next weeks football and netball fixture against Bugle which will be taking place at Bugle School on **Tuesday 15th January 2019**. The teams will be leaving Nanpean at approximately 3:00pm. Year 3 & 4 will play their match from 3:30pm to 4:00pm and Year 5 & 6 will play their match from 4:00pm to 4:30pm. We would like to see as many parents/carers and family members at the fixture to support our team as possible. **Please also note that there will be NO football/netball after school clubs on that day.**



⇒ **Census Day Menu**
 Thursday 17th January is Census Day! Consequently, we will be holding a special Census Day: Build your own Burger day. Children will have the option of either creating a beef burger or Quorn burger as part of this menu. School meals cost £2.30 per day or your child can have 5 meals in a week for £10. School dinners are free for children in Reception to year 2, or if they are in receipt of Free School Meals. As we are having a special burger day on Thursday, we will be amending the Friday meat option menu to Fish Fingers and chips.

⇒ **Valentines Disco ~ Friday 15th February 2019**
 After the success of our first Valentine's disco last year, those who attended the most recent Parents' Forum have agreed that it should take place again this year. **The disco will take place on Friday 15th February**. Mr Nicholls has offered to attend a meeting of any parent/ carers who would be willing to help organise this event on **Wednesday 16th January at 9am** to arrange and agree the finer details for the disco. This meeting is purely to talk about the disco. If you wish to put forward any new ideas regarding this event please come along to the meeting as all are welcome. The school will provide further information about the arrangements for the disco as it is provided to us.

⇒ **Pupil Visioning Event**
 This week our pupils gathered in Key Stage groups to reflect on what they like and dislike at school, how they learn best and what they aspire to be when they are older. This information will be collated and used to help inform our school development and the planning of future events. Well done to all the children who contributed to the Visioning Event with great enthusiasm. It's always lovely to hear from the children what they enjoy and their hopes for the future.

⇒ **eSchools and ePay**
 It was reported in the most recent Parents' Forum that some parents/ carers are having trouble accessing their eSchools account. As we are increasingly using this means to communicate with Parents/ Carers it is especially important that you are able to access the app or the desktop site. If you are consistently having trouble with this, please speak with Miss Dash as soon as possible as we may need to raise an issue with eSchools who provide this system. The majority of letters are uploaded to our school website, so please check there in the mean time if you are not able to get into eSchools. All outstanding debts for school dinners have also been added to ePay. Please use this system to see whether there is an outstanding balance. You can also use this system to pay for school dinners rather than bringing cash into school.

⇒ **Spring Term Clubs**
 The Spring Term club letter was sent home on Wednesday. All clubs begin next week. We endeavour to ensure that all children will be allocated at least one place in their chosen clubs but will generally allocate places on a 'first come first served basis'. If your child did not get into a club, we will inform you by text message. If you did not receive a text, you can assume your child has a place in their chosen clubs.

⇒ **Brighter Smiles Visits**
 Brighter Smiles will continue to visit us this term to apply fluoride varnish onto your child's teeth. There is no charge for this service but we do require your consent before this can take place. Consent forms were sent home earlier this week. Please return these forms by Wednesday 23rd January. The team will be visiting Nanpean school on **Friday 25th January and Thursday 31st January**.

⇒ **Year 6 Trip to Bodmin Recycling Centre**
 Year 6 will be visiting Bodmin Recycling Centre on **Thursday 24th January** as part of their class topic. The trip will take place wholly in school hours, and so is covered by consent forms completed at the beginning of the year, but if you would like to order a school packed lunch, withdraw consent for your child to attend this trip, or if your child's medical needs have changed, please let the office know by **Wednesday 16th January**.

DIARY DATES

Spring Term 2019

- Tuesday 15th January**—RNLI visiting Hendra Class
- Tuesday 15th January**—Football and Netball match against Bugle School (Away)
- Thursday 17th January**—Census Day Menu: Build your own Burger day
- Thursday 24th January**—Year 6 trip to Bodmin Recycling Centre
- Monday 28th January**—Y5/6 Tag Rugby tournament, Brannel
- Tuesday 29th January**—Football and Netball match against Treverbyn School (Home)
- Monday 4th February : 3.15 to 3.45pm**—Celebration of Learning Event
- Wednesday 6th February, 9am**—Parents Forum
- Tuesday 12th February**—Football and Netball match against St. Dennis (Away)
- Friday 15th February**—Valentine's Disco
- Monday 18th February to Friday 22nd February**—Half Term
- Tuesday 5th March and Wednesday 6th March**—Parent Consultations
- Friday 8th March**—Year 6 visit to Brannel School
- Monday 11th March**—Snell Cup
- Tuesday 26th March**—Indoor Cricket Tournament at Brannel
- Thursday 4th April**—Easter Service
- Monday 8th April**—Easter Holidays

Yours Sincerely,

Mr M. Nicholls
 Head teacher

