



Nanpean Community Primary School

Nurturing Children's Passion to Succeed

NEWSLETTER

30/11/2018

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.

⇒ **Attendance**

A quick reminder that we have amended our Attendance Policy regarding term time holidays as of Friday 23rd November 2018. The new procedure is as follows:
If a child reaches 10 sessions of unauthorised absence (the equivalent of 5 school days), then we will refer the matter to our Student Welfare Officer: Caroline Hunt, who will issue a first warning letter. If that child accrues any further sessions of unauthorised absence within a 10 week period, then we will refer the matter to Cornwall Legal Services who may decide to prosecute. A conviction may result in a fine of up to £2,500, a prison sentence of up to three months or both. Alternatively, a penalty notice may be issued under Section 444A and 444B of the Education Act 1996. This carries a fine of £60 if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the penalty notice may result in court action.

Nanpean School will not authorise any leave of absence except for in exceptional circumstances. Please note that authorisation of absence is at the discretion of the head teacher and an absence may not be authorised for any number of reasons: If we are not provided with evidence of a medical appointment, if we are unable to establish why a child is absent, or if a child arrives after 9.30am, are examples of absences which will not be authorised. Additionally, if you report that your child is absent due to illness, but we have reasonable reason to doubt the accuracy of this statement or if your child suffers from frequent illness that has led to them becoming a persistent absentee, we will be within our rights to request evidence from your child's doctor confirming the illness. If your child is having any problems that you feel are affecting their attendance, please speak with your child's class teacher or Miss Morton so that we can offer support.

⇒ **Term Time Holidays ~ Myth / Truth**

Myth: "It's not really 'law', it's just something the school says to keep their figures up"
Truth: Section 7 of the Education Act 1996 places a duty upon the parents/carers of compulsory school age children to ensure that their child receives an efficient, full-time education.

What Cornwall Council Say: Children must attend the school they are registered in. Only the school can authorise a child's absence. If a child is not registered or does not attend their educational provision, Cornwall Council may take legal action against the parent /carer, if appropriate.

⇒ **Absence Due to Illness ~ Myth / Truth**

Myth: "They need to be absent for 48 hours after sickness"
Truth: If your child has sickness and diarrhoea then YES, they should be absent from school for 48 hours. If your child has had sickness due to other reasons and feels well the next day, please encourage them to attend school.

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' slips go home in the bookbags of the children chosen as our Stars every Thursday.**

This week our stars are:

- Eden—Henry Smith** for his speedy reading in phonics.
- Hendra— Otilie Boucher** for always being polite and well mannered.
- Prosper— Leo Ross** for fantastic understanding and application of money work in Maths.
- Karslake—Imogen Knowles** for her excellent attitude to reading in class and quizzes.
- Melbur—Callum Bilkey** for producing creative and original headlines in our newspaper report writing.
- Drinnick—Reuben Singleton** for his consistent and valuable contribution during lessons.
- Rosemellyn— Emmy Norton** for her continuous fantastic handwriting and presentation standards across all her work.

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:

Callum Palmer for being kind, thoughtful and helpful to others.

BUSY BEES

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



- HalleMay England** for her excellent scientific problem solving
- Matilda Rushton** for her consistently excellent spelling scores

ATTENDANCE

w/c 26/11/2018		Karslake	94.02%
Eden	96.49%	Melbur	99.03%
Hendra	97.12%	Drinnick	96.94%
Prosper	95.30%	Rosemellyn	98.15%

REMINDERS

- ⇒ **Mr Bacon is attending a week long training course next week. Consequently, his clubs are cancelled next week: Monday 3rd December: No Football Club, Tuesday 4th December and Wednesday 5th December: No Running Club, Thursday 6th December: No Rugby Club.**
- ⇒ **There are further cancellations for w/c 10th December. More details are overleaf.**

⇒ **SEND Parent Drop In**

Does your child use a reading ruler in school?
Do they come home with a coloured overlay or ruler to help them with their home learning?
Do you understand why they have it?
Would you like some more information to help your child with their learning?
Join us for a cup of coffee / tea and cake!

When? Wednesday 5th December from 2:30—3:00pm

Where? The Intervention room

Who? The Inclusion Team:

Miss Morrison (SENDco)
Mrs Grindod Autism and Dyslexia Champion
Mrs Williams Dyslexia Champion

⇒ **Christmas Jumper Day ~ 5/12/18**

On Wednesday 5th December we will also be holding our Christmas Jumper day. Children can wear their favourite Christmas jumpers to school in return for a £1 donation, or a donation of minced pies, towards the Christmas Fair.



⇒ **St Dennis Parish Council ~ Education Grant Funding**

If you live in the following areas, you may be able to access the St Dennis Parish Council Education Grant: Trelion, Step-a-side, Hill Head, Trethosa Village, Little Treviscoe, Central Treviscoe, Nanpean, Old Pound, Rosevear Park, Enniscaven, Gothers, Trerice Terrace and all of St Dennis. A grant may be able to assist you to attend college / training or help with your child's education costs? To obtain an application form log onto St Dennis Parish Council Website www.stdennisparishcouncil.org collect from the entrance of the Claytawc Centre or from the Parish Clerks at St Dennis Parish Council Office, Claytawc, The Old School, Fore Street, St Dennis, PL26 8AF. For further Information Email - clerk@stdennisparishcouncil.org.uk or telephone 01726 821700. **Please do not contact Nanpean School office.**

⇒ **KS1 Nativity Performance ~ Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th December**

Letters have been sent home today with KS1 regarding the KS1 performance of 'A Christmas Recipe', taking place at 5.30pm on Tuesday 11th December and at 2pm on Wednesday 12th December. There is also a performance at 2pm on Tuesday 11th December for parents/ carers with children younger than school age. The letter informs parents of seating allocation and offers the opportunity for additional seats to be requested. Please note that we will not be sending tickets home for these performances this year.

⇒ **We will be going Paperless-ish!**

To be more environmentally friendly, and to allow more money to go into educating children and delivering our curriculum, we will be going paperless for all communications that do not require parental response from January 2019. This means that all newsletters etc. will be uploaded to the website and sent out via eSchools. We are giving advance notice to give parents/ carers opportunity to log in to their eSchools account. If you download the app to your smartphone or tablet, you will receive notifications when we upload new letters or send out messages. If you have no internet access at home, and need paper copies, please let the office know.

⇒ **NHS Flu Immunisations ~ 30/11/18**

The nurses from Kernow Health came into school today to administer the Nasal Flu Vaccination. This was for the children in Reception through to Year 5 and whose parents consented to the vaccination. The children should not suffer any after effects. However, if they do develop a slight temperature administer some calpol which should ease any symptoms.

⇒ **Christmas Fair Orders ~ School Apron**

Unfortunately we have not had enough interest in the Nanpean School aprons to be able to place an order. We will not now be able to include the aprons in any orders that you have placed. The gift sets will be reviewed and the price amended and we will have a limited number available to buy at the Fair. Parents that have already sent in money will be refunded. We do apologise about this and we hope that you are not too disappointed. However, the tea towels will be available as planned.

⇒ **Christmas Dinner ~ 5/12/18**

If your child is having Christmas Dinner on Wednesday 5th December and they are in Key Stage 2 (Year 3—6), please remember to bring in your £2.30 on **Monday 3rd December**. Children in receipt of Free School Meals and children in Reception Year 1, and 2 will have their Christmas Dinner free of charge.

⇒ **Cancelled After School Clubs ~ w/c 10/12/18**

- **Football** (Mon 10th) **Running** (Tues 11th) cancelled
 - **Running** (Wed 12th) **Rugby** (Thurs 13th) cancelled
 - **Eco Schools** (Miss Bevis) cancelled (Thurs 13th)
 - **Stay & Play** (Mrs Hayes) cancelled (Mon 10th)
 - **Cosmic Yogo** (Miss Brotherhood) cancelled (Tues 11th)
- There are no clubs running during w/c 17th December as it is the last week of term!**

DIARY DATES

Autumn Term 2018

- Wednesday 5th December, 9am**—Parents Forum
- Wednesday 5th December**—Christmas Dinner
- Tuesday 11th December, 2:00pm**—KS1 Nativity dress rehearsal
- Tuesday 11th December, 5:30pm**—KS1 Nativity
- Wednesday 12th December, 2:00pm**—KS1 Nativity
- Wednesday 12th December, 2:00pm**—Brannel Xmas Fayre
- Wednesday 19th December, 1:30pm**—Christmas Fair
- Thursday 20th December**—LAST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM

Spring Term 2019

- Monday 7th January 2019**—INSET DAY 4
- Tuesday 8th January**—first day of Spring term
- Wednesday 9th January, 9am**—Parents Forum with Mr Nicholls
- Monday 28th January**—Y5/6 Tag Rugby tournament, Brannel
- Wednesday 6th February, 9am**—Parents Forum

Yours Sincerely,

Miss C Morton
Acting Head teacher

