



Dear Parents and Carers

There is an autumnal feel in school as we enter into October, with the children now very much settled into the routines of the school day. The school has been brimming with learning about our local area with children deepening their understanding of what it means to belong.



Last week all classes had a fantastic visit to The Old Post Office which helped to combine History and Geography elements of the curriculum - whilst also learning some really heartwarming tales from its history. Thank you to the team from the National Trust who have been so helpful and for accommodating us. Also thank you to the parent volunteers that supported the classes. All children very much benefited from the experience.

If any of you have any experiences or knowledge of the village in days gone by and would be interested in sharing some of these with the children, then do please get in touch. It would be lovely to share your adventures of the past with us.

Meet and Greets

Thank you to all the parents that were able to pop in and meet the class teacher and learn more about the learning in your child's class. We appreciate these times don't suit everyone so please do check out the class pages on the school website where you can see the slides with key information to help you. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you have any questions.

Phonics Workshop

This week the KS1 team hosted a Phonics Workshop which I hope you found really useful for helping to support your child with reading at home. The presentation can be found on our website and here is a link to the parent guide on the website that I hope will help: [Parent guide to Read Write Inc. Phonics | Oxford Owl.](#)



Attendance

We understand that we have been through a very turbulent eighteen months where holidays have been cancelled, and we understand how important 'family time' is. However, we need to remind you that we are unable to authorise any holidays in term time. I would urge you to really consider this when making plans for 2021/22. We are working hard with your children to cover the curriculum and are still checking where they have gaps in learning. We are working hard to address these as well as move forward with progress, so every day is precious in bringing them back on track. We also find additional absences can leave children feeling anxious on return when they have missed large chunks of learning.

Y6 Residential

We are thrilled to be able to confirm our Year 6 Bristol residential will take place the week beginning 23rd May 2022. A letter providing more details will be sent home shortly.

Bag2School

Thank you to all our community who donated towards our Bag2School collection, we raised a huge amount of £372 which is the most we have ever raised on this!

Parents Evening

Due to Covid restrictions, we have been advised by the H&S team that we should hold Parents Evenings via telephone this term. These calls will predominantly be on 12th and 13th October. Slots are now open on Arbor for you to log in and book a call. The conversation will be around how your child has settled into class as well as their attitudes to learning. This is a really good opportunity to touch base early in the term. If for any reason you cannot make the times allocated, please call the office to arrange an alternative time with the class teacher.

Harvest Celebrations

This year the children will be working on a digital offering to share with you via Seesaw in the last week of term. We will be collecting non-perishable items for The Pantry at Tintagel Social Hall this year. If you would like to make a donation by **Thursday 21st October**, please drop them into the school office or the bicycle shelter if you prefer.



Home School Agreements

We will be sending home our Home/School Agreements for 2021/2022 that we kindly ask you to read with your child, sign and return please. This is an important agreement which reinforces the partnership between Home and School in support of learning. We really appreciate your support in this.

Uniform

As the days are becoming colder and wetter, can you please ensure your child has a warm coat in school. We do endeavor to get outside for fresh air daily and some children are starting to feel the cold. Can I also remind you to please ensure all uniform items are named. On PE days, your child needs the correct kit in school – including shoes please. We no longer wear kit into school on these days. You can leave kits in school if necessary but they must be in a named bag. Just a gentle reminder that we do have a no make-up and nail varnish policy. Thank you.

Key Dates

Autumn Term 2021	
Tuesday 12 th & Wednesday 13 th October	Parent Evening Telephone Consultations
Friday 22 nd October	INSET Day – school closed to pupils
Monday 25 th – Friday 29 th October	Half-Term
Monday 1 st November	First day of Term 2

As always, if you have any concerns, worries or questions please do not hesitate to get in contact with us.

Kind regards

Lou Kirkman and the team