



Dear Parents and Carers

### **The Closest Thing to Hollywood On The North Coast! Tintagel Primary School Academy Awards Evening**

Last night saw the staff, pupils and family community of Tintagel come together in a fantastic celebration of learning. As part of our Core Value: Trust and Collaboration, and as a demonstration of our whole school Enquiry: 'How Are We Stronger Together?' every class from Reception to Year 6 contributed to a 30 minute film following the story of Orpheus and Eurydice. Through their writing, their drama, their music and their dance, children helped the audience to follow Orpheus on an epic journey into Hades' underworld in search of his beloved Eurydice. After striking a bargain with Hades, Orpheus was granted permission to bring Eurydice back



to the land of the living – but on one condition: He must not look back at her.

If only he had been able to resist the temptation, but no. Just as they reached the threshold of light and life, Orpheus stole one single glance and before his very eyes, Eurydice was drawn back into the underworld for ever...leaving behind her all the beauty of their shared memories.

As with all the best gala evenings, the red

carpet was rolled out, lights twinkled and the guests dressed to impress. As the lights went down and the excitement reached fever pitch, the audience was gradually drawn into the story...until, by the very end, they were held captive by the montage of moving images and the perfectly pitched film score.

In the spellbound silence that followed, Mrs Cox awarded the prestigious Academy Awards to each class, in recognition of their learning throughout the project - with a special thanks to the Williams family who braved the wildest weather to film the aerial shots with

their drone.

We hope that our Tintagel School Community enjoyed the glamour of the evening, and that more than anything, they are proud to have shared in the collaborative learning by adults and children alike, that was clearly on show.



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### Heartfelt

As part of the evening, we asked our visitors to complete an anonymous 'tag' for our trees in the front entrance – with the questions 'Who would you go to the ends of the Earth for?' and 'What would you leave behind?' Having read some of the comments this morning, they are so wonderful – both deeply moving and humorous. The labels are still available over the coming week so please take time to complete one - or just read someone else's. It is life affirming.



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We truly hope that our trust and collaboration which enabled us to work together on this project as a whole school, made our audience proud.  
The Tintagel Team



### Maths Workshop and Open Classroom Event

Thank you to all the parents who attended this event this week. We hope that you found Mrs Kirkman's talk informative and that you enjoyed exploring some of our mastery approaches to maths alongside your child. For those parents who were unable to attend, Mrs Kirkman will be sharing her slides on the Maths page of our website. As always – if ever you have any questions about how to support your child, just come and talk to your child's class teacher.

### **Visit from the Screech Owl Sanctuary.**

Children and staff alike were mesmerised by a visit from some extraordinarily beautiful creatures this week. Imagine stroking an owl's feathers and learning about all their incredible



survival skills as part of our 'What matters most, the journey or the destination?' enquiry. Children from EYFS and Year 1 had just that opportunity and were filled with wonder and curiosity that sparked their questions.

### **Football Round Up**

Well done to our newly formed football team who competed in their first match in the T-Broad Shield against Delabole Primary School this week. The children worked well as a team and showed real enthusiasm and sportsmanship. All their efforts paid off in a tremendous 9-3 win which means we are through to the second round. We are hoping to keep our high spirits for our first match of the Rosewarne Shield which is at St Minver on Wednesday.



### **Cornwall Christmas Box**

We will be beginning this charity campaign in earnest next week. Please check the class lists for each hamper to see what has been donated and what is still missing, so that together we can build a lovely hamper from each class and really transform a child's Christmas experience. The lists will appear in the conservatory so parents can check each week.

### **Christmas Fete**

One of the workshops at our fete will be to design your Christmas card and have it professionally printed. If this is something you know that your child would like to do and would like to spend some time designing it at home please feel free to do so. Designs should be on A4 paper and kept away from the edge, stronger colours work better, metallic and glitter are not as effective once printed, Please don't add anything that can't easily be printed such as pompoms etc and ensure that pencil outlines are rubbed out as they do show up. Packs of 10 will cost £4 however you can order 30 cards for £11. Order forms can be requested from the office.

### **Christingles**

There will be a Christingle service at St Materiana's on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 4:30pm. Our pupils will have prepared the Christingles and it would be lovely if you were able to take them to the service so that they can see why they are made as part of Christmas traditions. Also if your child would like to read a poem or take part in any way, please let the office know in order for us to pass this onto Rev Parsons.

### **Reminders**

- Just a reminder that dogs are not allowed on the school premises, this includes the front car park. Thank you
- Now is the season for coughs and colds, however, we are unable to have any medication such as cough sweets, nasal sticks etc in your child's possession. Only prescribed medication can be administered.

### **Key Dates this Term**

Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> November – 30 <sup>th</sup> November	½ price Book Fair
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> November 3:15pm-5:15pm	Christmas Fete
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2pm and 6pm	Christmas Performance
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas lunch & jumper day
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of term

Best wishes

Sue Cox and the team