



## HEAD OF SCHOOL UPDATE

This week has been another busy week at Connor Downs Academy. We must extend a big thank you to all those parents, grandparents and carers who were able to join classes on Tuesday for the English morning. The children were so excited to have you in their classes, sharing their learning. As always, we really appreciate all your support.



On Wednesday we had an assembly that began with a visit from Jenna Fentham, the Community Champion from Asda, Hayle, who presented us with a cheque for £200 for being part of their 'Chosen by You, Given by Us' campaign. The money will be used to enhance our outdoor area for the children.



Following the presentation, Harry Feyer, our guitar tutor gave an assembly on playing the guitar. Harry currently gives lessons to groups of pupils during a Wednesday afternoon and if anyone is interested in their child/ren learning to play the guitar, please see Mrs Gallagher in the school office who can give you further details.



Thursday, the whole academy recognised World Mental Health Day. The children in Year 1 looked at what we need to do to look after our bodies inside and out. Year 3 took part in an Art therapy session for Mental Health Awareness drawing colourful Concentric circles in the style of artist Kandinsky. The children in year 4 enjoyed a session of yoga. Children in year 6 read and discussed 'The Big Bag of Worries' and shared ideas about what to do if they are worried about something.

### Parking and Road Safety

Please can we remind parents and carers that when dropping off and collecting your child/children from school, to be considerate to our local residents. Please do not block driveways or cause any obstructions.

Also, as we head towards the end of the year it's time to think about children's safety as they walk to and from school. Please click the link <https://www.think.gov.uk/education-resources/> for road safety educational resources available from the Government's Think website. Please continue to remind children about the Green Cross Code and encourage them to 'Be bright, be seen' during the darker mornings and evenings - click <https://brightkidz.co.uk/initiatives/be-bright-be-seen/> for some ideas.

### Diary Dates

Tuesday 15th October—Music Performances—1.15pm start and 6.00pm start

Wednesday 16th October—Music Performance—6.00pm start

**Monday 21st October—Friday 25th October—HALF TERM**

Tuesday 29th and Wednesday 30th October—Parent Consultations

### Transfer to Secondary School

If your child is in Year 6 the window is now open to apply for their secondary school place.

#### Information and guidance

Website and Application form: [www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions)

Email: [schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk)

Post: School Admissions Team, County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY Telephone: 0300 1234 101

**THE DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS 31ST OCTOBER 2019**

Mrs Eddy

## ATTENDANCE

Our school target for attendance is 96%.

1st Place	Year 6	96.4%
2nd Place	Year 4	96.1%

# SHINE AWARDS



Our next Shine Assembly is on **Friday 18th October**, at 2.40pm.  
Parents of the children below are warmly invited to attend.



Please come along to main reception no earlier than 2.35pm. A special well done to:

Reception	Linkcon	For demonstrating improved confidence when writing and taking part in phonic activities.
Year 1	Sam	For incredible effort in all his subjects, especially in maths, counting one more and one less.
Year 2	Isla	For your hard work and focussed approach across the curriculum with impressive results when adding and subtracting numbers.
Year 3	Caleb	For great effort in maths with place value and always being a kind and helpful class member to everyone.
Year 4	Olivia BS	For great enthusiasm in all her work, especially reasoning in maths.
Year 5	Sid	For his enthusiasm and great subject knowledge about the Titanic.
Year 6	Jake D	For joining in with class discussions and sharing his fantastic mathematical reasoning.
Writer of the week	Toby Year 1	For writing amazing descriptions for the characters in our story, Goldilocks and the Three Bears.
YR & KS1 Reader of the week	Unique Year 2	For your love of reading and the way you read with such expression and enthusiasm.
KS2 Reader of the week	Chloe Year 5	For consistently reading to a high level and answering comprehension questions in great detail.
Mathematician of the week	Sophia Year 3	For amazing work in spiral mental maths, place value and explaining how she solved it.
Performer of the week	Annabelle Year R	For her standout performance during Reception's rehearsal for the music event. The year 5 children were particularly impressed!
Citizen of the week	Thomas Will Year 4	For always being a caring, thoughtful and kind member of Connor Downs Academy and the wider community—looking out for others in the village after school as well as on the school premises.