



HEAD OF SCHOOL UPDATE

Welcome back after the half term break, we hope that you enjoyed your week.

During the whole school assembly on Monday, we learnt about the festival of Diwali. Thank you to Amara for her fantastic contributions during this assembly and for sharing her beautiful Diwali card and lamp.



Also on Monday, a group of key stage 2 children represented Connor Downs Academy at Mounts Bay in a cross country event. All those taking part ran brilliantly, braving the weather, to record fantastic finishes. Special mention must go to Lana (4th), Seb (5th) and Charlie (6th) for top ten finishes. Congratulations and a very well done to all who took part.

This week in school we held our autumn term parent consultations. We would like to thank all those parents/carers who came along and hope that the meetings were useful. If you were unable to attend and would like to meet with your children's class teacher, please put a note in their home/school link book so that a mutually convenient appointment can be made.



We are once again supporting The Royal British Legion poppy appeal. We have been selling poppies in classes each morning for a minimum donation of 50p. Poppies will still be available all of next week.

On Sunday 10th November, there will be a Remembrance service at Hayle War Memorial. The head prefects will lay a wreath on behalf of Connor Downs Academy. The student representatives will also attend. Thank you to parents/carers for your support with this.

Children In Need

On Friday 15th November, children are invited to come to school dressed in Children in Need clothing/Pudsey ears etc, or their own clothing, in return for a suggested £1 donation to raise money for Children in Need. Where possible, please can donations be made via ParentPay.



Parking

It has been brought to our attention that parents/carers, whilst dropping off and collecting children from school, are parking on the pavement on Connor Hill. Unfortunately, this parking is preventing a disabled resident who relies on the use of a mobility scooter, from using the pavements for access. Please could I kindly ask all parents/carers to park safely and considerately on the road without causing an obstruction. Thank you for your support with this.

Social Media/Online Gaming

As an academy, we recognise that social media is playing an ever-expanding role in our day to day lives. It is important that children start to experience this in a suitably supervised and age appropriate way. As a reminder, **Facebook, Twitter, Instagram** and **YouTube** all have a **minimum age** for users of **13 years old**. **Whatsapp**, has a **minimum age** for users of **16 years old**. We would also like to remind you that whilst the platform **Roblox** has a internet safety age of **7+**, if used inappropriately can lead to children feeling ostracised and we would kindly ask all parents/carers of children who access Roblox to monitor this usage very carefully. We strongly recommend accessing the advice for parents at <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers> and <https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/roblox/>

Mrs Eddy

ATTENDANCE

Our school target for attendance is 96%.

1st Place	Year 3	99.3%
2nd Place	Year 4	98.7%
3rd Place	Year R	97.8%

SHINE AWARDS



Our next Shine Assembly is on **Friday 8th November 2019**, 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	Perran	For making fantastic contributions during class discussions, thinking about our new topic, 'All About Me'.
Year 1	Eden-Lily	For an amazing effort in all her subjects, especially in phonics, learning our new diagraph 'ou'.
Year 2	Freya	For always working incredibly hard, taking pride in her work and achieving impressive results in written and mathematical
Year 3	Alfie	For consistent effort in English and maths, being a great role model and taking risk with his independence.
Year 4	Olivia Bar	For fantastic enthusiasm in her writing, using great language choices. We have been really delighted by her maths
Year 5	Chelsey	For her amazing effort in all of her work. You are making a difference every day.
Year 6	Liam	For concentrating hard in English when proofreading his writing and volunteering ideas during our grammar sessions.
Writer of the week	Bailey Year 3	For fantastic effort to improve his joined letters when writing the story of Rama and Sita.
YR & KS1 Reader of the week	Mia Year 2	For enthusiastically discussing favourite words and phrases that you have read and showing great understanding.
KS2 Reader of the week	Henry J Year 4	For always reading beyond his target and improved comprehension based skills.
Mathematician of the week	Jake M Year 6	For excellent work on division in maths this week. Jake worked methodically and with a positive attitude.
Performer of the week	Chloe Year 5	For having such a loud clear voice during our performance of Titanic at the Minack Theatre.
Citizen of the week	Phoenix Year R	For being a super 'animal cadet', looking after Reception's new guinea pigs, Toffee and Milkshake.