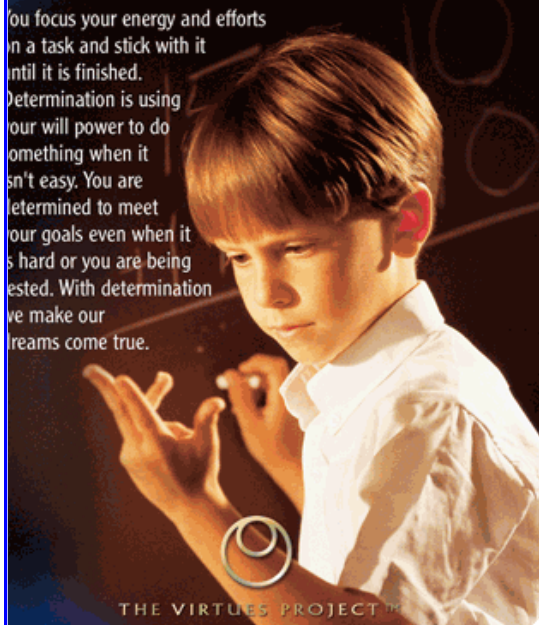




# Determination



# You are practicing Determination

when you...

- Believe what you are doing is important
- Set goals for yourself
- Stay focused without being distracted
- Keep going if it gets difficult
- Ask for help when you need it
- Finish what you start

### Affirmation

*I am determined.*

*I set goals and keep going until I achieve them.  
I get things done. I stay focused on my purpose.*



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**Virtues -**  
**This week's virtue is "Determination".**

### Foundation stage

This week the Nursery will be looking at farm animals, their homes and mothers and babies.

The Reception will still be looking at homes around the world, especially homes in Africa linked to the story Handa's Surprise. In maths, the children will be learning about more and fewer using bricks, cubes and numicon. In Forest Schools, we will be marking with found objects and using sticks to make sounds in our environment.

## Key Stage 1

Thank you to all the parents who attended the phonics meeting. Look out for more information on supporting your child in phonics appearing on our website. Your child should have received 2 reading books last week, both at the appropriate phonics level. Please keep reading these books to improve fluency. These books will be changed by their phonics teacher so please make sure they are in their book bags every day.

This week the children have started learning about where they live in Cornwall. Look out for something special arriving home soon. In science, we have also begun looking at the lives of hedgehogs.

## Key Stage 2

This week a letter came home about the 3/4 camp proposal for June. It is important that forms are returned and deposits paid ASAP so that we can confirm the reservation. We have got the letter out at the earliest opportunity so that the new ParentPay system can be set up quickly to enable an easier method for payment over time. In literacy, we are writing our own play scripts and are beginning to recognise how they are different from stories. In maths, we are continuing to work on subtraction strategies and are becoming confident mathematicians. In PE, we are beginning to develop our netball skills, starting with how to pass the ball. Our new science topic is sound and we familiarised with the different sounds around the school. As the season draws to an end, please ensure that coats are brought to school.

This week, Year 5/6 have been drafting their non-chronological reports about Stonehenge, which we are very much looking forward to reading. Thank you for continuing to read and discuss books with your children at home. It was great to see so many children reaching their targets last half term and would be wonderful to see even more do so this half term.

## Attendance Award

Well done to Seahorse class who won the KS1 attendance award last week with 100% attendance and Swordfish/Narwhals classes who won the KS2 attendance award this week with 100% attendance!



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**ParentPay is here!** - We are now live with ParentPay, an online payment system for schools. We still have over half of parents who have not yet activated their accounts. Please could we encourage everyone to do so as we will be adding all trips etc. to this system in the future. If you have any problems setting up your account or navigating the system then please don't hesitate to get in touch with Lisa or Gemma.

**Year 3/4 BF Adventure Camp 2020 - 1st to 3rd June 2020** - Children came home with letters at the end of last week with information about this exciting opportunity for children to stay two nights at BF Adventure in Penryn. This is a great taster camp for children, packed full of fun activities whilst being close to home. If you would like to secure your child a place then please pay a non-refundable deposit of £30 to the parent item named 'Year 3/4 BF Adventure Camp Deposits 2020 on Parent Pay by no later than Friday 13th December 2019.

**Children In Need - Friday 15th November - Non-Uniform Day** - This year we will be taking part in Children In Need and incorporating it with maths week! The children are encouraged to dress up as their favourite 'Times Tables Rockstar' character. Think punk/rockstar! £1 donation per child please.



**Cross Country Race 2 (Postponed race from 1st October) - Helston Community College - Tuesday 19th November - 4pm** - Years 1 to 6 - Includes infant fun run.

**Horizons Project - Transition Session for Year 6 - Tuesday 19th November - 3:30 to 4:30pm** - Please note that transport is not provided this year and so children will need to be taken to HCC and then picked up again at the end of the session. Please drop children to North Site Reception - Subject is Art.

**Swimming Gala - Friday 22nd November - Year 3-6** - If your child is interested in competing in the gala please collect a form from the school office. Parents are required to drop their children to and from the pool - times are detailed on the letter. To take part in the gala, children MUST be able to swim at least 25 metres unaided.

**'Understanding Your Child's Emotions' Workshop with Mrs Broome - Tuesday 26th November - 9:15am or 5pm** - Mrs Broome will be running another workshop for parents and carers. A minimum of 5 attendees will be needed to make the workshop viable so please spread the word if you are interested. To book your place please contact Mrs Broome at [abroome@porthleven.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:abroome@porthleven.cornwall.sch.uk) or via eschools.

**Kernow Health Nasal Flu Immunisations - Wednesday 4th December - Reception to Year 6** - Kernow Health will be in school to administer the nasal flu immunisations on this date to children with a completed consent form. Emails were sent out just before half term with all of the information needed and the link to follow. This **must** be completed online by no later than **Wednesday 27th November** as they are no longer accepting paper copies. If for any reason you have not received the email, please go to the website below and enter our unique school reference when prompted.

Website: <https://www.kernowimmunisations.co.uk/forms/flu>

Unique Reference Code: [EE143996](#)

**Foundation Stage & Key Stage 1 Christmas Plays** - We've reached that time of year again where the children are busy practising their nativity songs. Exact times are to be confirmed and tickets will be available from the school office from **Monday 2nd December** - These are a gift to you from the children and will be limited to 2 per child.

- \* Tuesday 10th December - Foundation Stage Afternoon 1:45pm, KS1 Evening 6pm
- \* Wednesday 11th December - KS1 Afternoon 1:45pm, Foundation Stage Evening 6pm



**School Disco - Thursday 19th December** - Tickets will be £2 per child and include a drink. Nursery children must be accompanied by an adult please and ALL children must be collected at the end of the disco. If you would like to volunteer to help, please let the school office know. Tickets will be available from Monday 2nd December.

- \* **Foundation Stage & KS1 - 5pm to 6pm**
- \* **KS2 - 6:15pm to 7:30pm**

**Calendar - School term dates 2019** - Important dates for your diaries are as follows:-

- Friday 15th November - Children In Need - Rockstar Non Uniform Day - £1 Donation**
- Tuesday 19th November - Cross Country Race 2 - HCC - 4pm - Years 1 to 6**
- Friday 22nd November - KS2 Swimming Gala**
- Tuesday 26th November - Understanding Your Child's Emotions Workshop - 9:15am or 5pm**
- Wednesday 4th December - Nasal Flu Immunisations - Reception to Year 6**
- Tuesday 10th & Wednesday 11th December - Foundation Stage and KS1 Nativity Plays**
- Wednesday 11th December - Christmas Dinner**
- Friday 13th December - Deposit deadline for Year 3/4 BF Adventure Camp 2020**
- Thursday 19th December - School Disco**
- Monday 23rd December to Friday 3rd January - Christmas Holidays**
- Monday 6th January - INSET day - School CLOSED to all children**