

Friday 24th September 2021

Dear parents/carers,

I hope that you and your families are well. We have had another busy and exciting week!

Swimming



Year 6 have just come to the end of an intensive block of 10 swimming sessions at St Ives Leisure Centre. We are delighted to see the impressive progress that has been made by all the year 6 children, and although swimming every day has been very tiring, they have shown great resilience and engagement. We would like to extend a huge thank you to all the Year 6 parents/carers for ensuring their child arrived at school every day with their swimming kit, ready to learn. Well done Year 6!

Year 5 will begin their intensive block of 10 sessions on Monday 11th October until Friday 22nd October. Letters have been sent home with the children today.



Tempest School Photographs



A reminder that Tempest will be coming into school on Monday to take individual photographs. Unfortunately, due to current restrictions, they are unable to offer family photographs, but will be able to accommodate sibling photographs for siblings attending Connor Downs Academy. Please ensure your child is wearing their full school uniform (**if Monday is your child's PE day, please can your child bring their PE Kit with them to change into following photographs being taken**).

After School Clubs

The autumn term after school clubs will run from next week until the week beginning 6th December 2021 from 3:15pm – 4:15pm with the exception of KS1 Art that will run from 12:30pm – 1:15pm.

A reminder that if you have booked a place and your child does not attend for **3 sessions**, we will offer the place to a child on the waiting list.

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Meal Booking and ParentPay

Thank you to all those parents/carers who make use of our online meal booking system, ParentPay, to order their child/children's meals. We are however, still finding an increasing number of children ordering their lunches in school each morning and asking to change the option booked by their parent/carer. To assist the catering staff, we are politely requesting that all meals for the whole week be booked in advance using the online ParentPay booking system. This will enable the kitchen to plan more efficiently given the current delivery and supply issues. Bookings close at midnight and so we would encourage parents/carers to book meals for the week prior to midnight on a Sunday. Thank you all for your support.

Menu Changes

Thursday 30th September - Topsey Turvey Day



Chicken and Waffles with Mash and carrots

Cheese and Sweetcorn Cupcake with mash and carrots

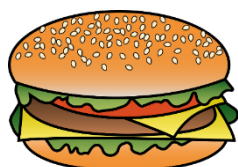
Chocolate Pizza



Thursday 7th October 2021 – Autumn Census Day

Build Your Own Burger (Meat/Vegetarian)

Ice Cream or Brownie



Glen Cleaning Vacancies

Our school cleaning partners, Glen Cleaning are currently hiring and have vacancies for part-time cleaners at a number of schools within the Trust including Connor Downs Academy. Pay rate is £9 per hour

15 hours per week – 41 weeks of the year (3:30pm till 6:30pm)

Anyone interested should contact Sonia Heathcote on **07787 513557** or soniaheathcote@glencleaning.co.uk

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Transfer to Secondary School



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The
deadline for
applications is
31 October
2021

Transfer to secondary school September 2022

Applying for a place in year seven at a secondary school

Information and guidance

Website and application form: www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

Email: schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk

Post: **School Admissions Team, County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY**

Telephone: **0300 1234 101**

Need help with your application?

Contact the Family Information Service on **0800 587 8191**



Applying for a secondary school place for September 2022

Special Educational Needs

If an Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plan has been issued for your child you do not need to complete an application form. Please contact the Statutory SEN Service for more information: Tel: **01872 324242** Email: statutorysen@cornwall.gov.uk

1 Decide on your preferred schools

You are strongly advised to name **three** preferences on the application form. **Naming a second or third preference does not give you any less chance of getting a place at your preferred school.** When making your decision you should...

...think about **how your child will get to school.** Go to www.cornwall.gov.uk/schooltransport for more information on whether your child would be entitled to transport to school.

...look at the **admission arrangements** on our website that will be used to allocate places for each school.

...consider naming your **nearest or designated school** as one of your preferences. You can find your nearest or designated school on our website.

...look at the detailed **admissions information** on our website, also available on request.

2 Submit your application by 31 October 2021

Apply online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

3 Wait to find out which school you have been allocated

If you applied on time you will be notified of your allocation on **National Offer Day: 1 March 2022. Apply on time!** Late applications will only be dealt with after National Offer Day and there may not be any places left at your preferred schools.

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<u>Attendance</u>		
Our school target for attendance is 96%		
1 st Place	Year 6	98.7 %
2 nd Place	Year 3	97.5 %
3 rd Place	Year 4	96.3 %

Shine Celebrations

Please see below our Shining Stars for this week.

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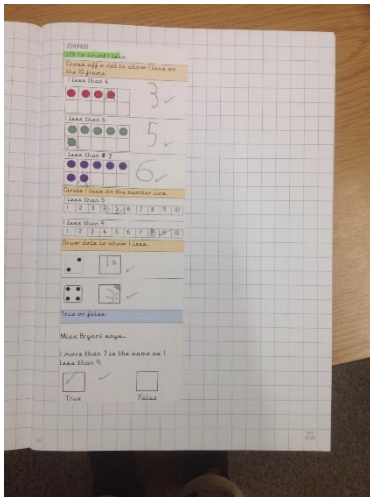
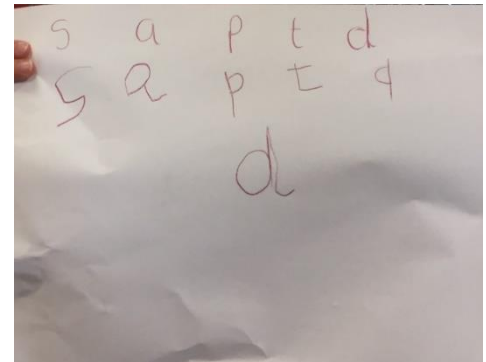
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Year R – Emily

For making fantastic progress in Phonics, working hard to read and write her weekly sounds independently.

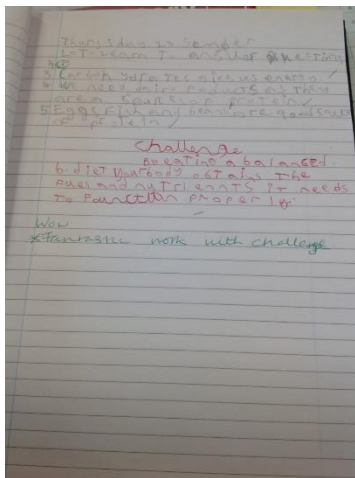
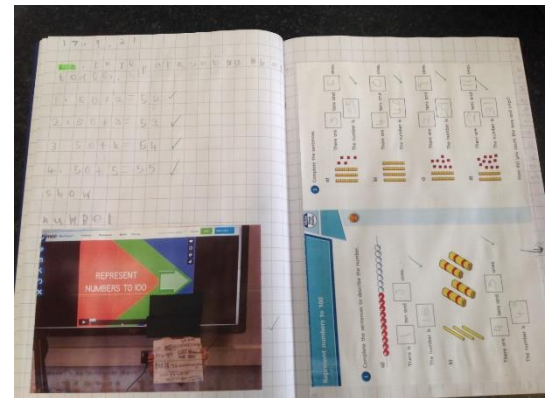


Year 1 – Jack

For his fantastic work in maths this week. Jack consistently follows instructions and gives 100% to all his learning. Well done Jack!

Year 2 – Gemma

For skilfully representing numbers to 100 and sharing her learning with her peers.



Year 3 – Jenson

For his amazing 100% effort on independent challenge in comprehension. Well done Jenson – keep up the great work!

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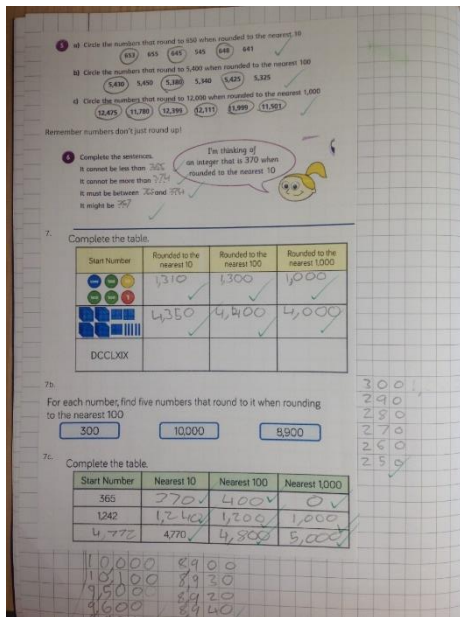
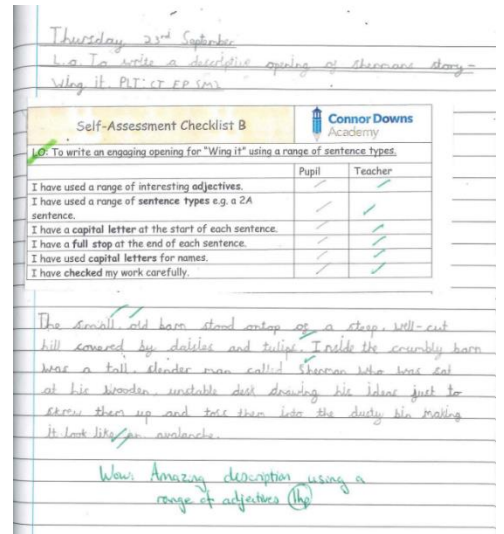
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Year 4 – Ben

For rising to the challenges of year 4 and consistently giving 100% to everything he attempts.

Year 5 – Eva

For her precise adjectives and wonderful imagery when describing our failed inventor, Sherman.



Year 6 – Zack

For making a brilliant start at Connor Downs Academy. Zack is a joy to have in the class who always gives 100% to everything he does. Well done Zack!

Kind Regards,



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