



**Week 13: Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December**

**Diary Dates 2020-2021**

### **Marvellous Me!**

As we near the end of the Autumn term, we will again be asking you to look out for your child's report on how well they have progressed in their learning. Your child's teacher will use Marvellous Me, so **please make sure you have signed up**. We currently have around 30 families who have not yet accessed Marvellous Me, and we continue to use this app to inform you of events at school. Reports will be sent out between Monday and Wednesday. From January 2021, Marvellous Me will be our main means of communication.  
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### **Food Vouchers**

Christmas food vouchers for children entitled to free school meals have been issued. If your child is eligible for free school meals (not Universal) and you have not yet received a link via email and/or text, please contact the school office. If your circumstances have recently changed and you feel your child is now eligible to receive free school meals, please let us know as soon as possible.

### **Drop Off, Collection, Social Distancing and Face Coverings**

Thank you so much for maintaining the one-way system around school as this allows for social distancing. We will continue with this system after the Christmas break. Classroom doors will open from 8:20am and close at 8:50am. At the end of the school day, children can be collected from 3:10pm, with the latest collection being at 3:30pm.

### **School Closure – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

Following Government recommendations, all Crofty MAT schools will be closing on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December. School will close at the usual time.

### **IMPORTANT: ParentPay**

We have recently sent account activation details for ParentPay, an online payment system that we will be using from January. We politely ask that you create an account for your child using the account activation details and contact us if there are any issues in setting up your account. **As we move towards becoming a cashless school, it is extremely important that you set up your account immediately.**

### **Inappropriate Language Around School**

We have been made aware that inappropriate language has been used by adults and children on the school site and we politely ask that this stops with immediate effect. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

### **December**

- **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> – Last day of term**

### **Christmas Break**

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> January**

### **January 2020**

- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> – First day of Spring Term
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> – EYFS Application Deadline

### **February**

### **Half Term**

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February**

- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Non-Pupil Day – School closed
- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Back to school

### **April**

- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> – Last day of term

### **Easter Break**

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April**

### **April**

- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> – First Day of Summer Term

### **May**

- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> – May Bank Holiday

### **Half Term**

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June**

### **June**

- Monday 7<sup>th</sup> – Back to school

### **July**

- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Last day of term

### **Summer Break**

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> July**

### **A Massive 'Thank You!'**

We would like to say a massive 'Thank you!' to Mrs Williams, Mrs Whitaker and Mrs Williams in the school kitchen for serving 345 Christmas lunches on Wednesday! This was an incredible achievement – and the lunch tasted delicious! Thank you.



### Who has been spotted...?

We are delighted to announce the latest recipients of our character qualities. Well done to the following children who have been spotted by staff!

Each character represents a quality we believe to be important not only in school and education but also in the wider community.






**Considerate** children are **thoughtful, caring, sympathetic, helpful, polite, attentive, mindful** and **patient**, amongst other qualities.

If a child is **inquisitive**, they are **curious, inquiring, questioning, intrigued** and **eager to know**.

Children who show they are **courageous** will be **bold, brave, valiant adventurous** and **determined**.

If a child is spotted as being **fun**, they will be **enthusiastic, excited, energetic, cheerful, light-hearted** and will **laugh!**

We also have our Stars of the Week, who have been classroom superstars and have showed a range of great qualities! Well done to the children chosen as this week's Star of the Week!

Quality	Children Spotted in EYFS and Key Stage 1	Children Spotted in Key Stage 2
Considerate 	Pendennis: Eliza Restormel: Noah Tintagel: Mia Porthcurno: Eleanor Gwithian: Starla Marazion: Noah R	Newlyn: Kizzy Porthleven: Israel Mevagissey: Ellie-Mae Pendeen: Chloe Lizard: Jaylen Godrevy: Callum V
Inquisitive 	Pendennis: Rosen Restormel: Lily Tintagel: Ollie Porthcurno: Keira Gwithian: Nojus Marazion: Tom	Newlyn: Adam Porthleven: Freya Mevagissey: Summer Pendeen: Alicia Lizard: Lissy Godrevy: James
Courageous 	Pendennis: Molly Restormel: Darcy Tintagel: Ash Porthcurno: Lilly-Beth Gwithian: Megan Marazion: Khian	Newlyn: Austeja Porthleven: TJ Mevagissey: Sonny Pendeen: Layla Lizard: Dorian Godrevy: Sam
Fun 	Pendennis: Miley Restormel: Connie Tintagel: Amelia Porthcurno: Blake Gwithian: Lucas Marazion: Kingsley	Newlyn: Willow Porthleven: Thea Mevagissey: Jack Pendeen: Cacee Lizard: Eliza Godrevy: Sophie H
	Restormel: Maisie Tintagel: Lyra Porthcurno: Jakob Gwithian: Isla Marazion: Harry	Newlyn: Lucia Porthleven: Lena Mevagissey: Izabella Pendeen: Caitlin Lizard: Ella Godrevy: Dylan

### Contacting School

Please remember that you can contact us via email at [help@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:help@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk) for general enquiries, or use the phase emails below to contact class teachers:

[eyfs@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:eyfs@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk) (Nursery and EYFS)

[KS1@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:KS1@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk) (Years 1 and 2)

[lowerKS2@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:lowerKS2@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk) (Years 3 and 4)

[upperKS2@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:upperKS2@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk) (Years 5 and 6)

### Karate Success!

We were very pleased to hear that Lucia recently completed grading for her green stripe and blue belts in karate. To be this successful takes much commitment and dedication. Well done Lucia! This is a wonderful achievement!



### **EYFS Application for children born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017**

If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017, please apply for your child's place in EYFS by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021. Click <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/> to access Cornwall Council's School Admissions site.

### **Early Years Update – Childcare Survey**

For any parents and carers with children in the Early Years, do remember to complete the childcare survey, which closes on Sunday 20 December 2020. To access the survey, click the following link <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/early-years-foundation-stage-eyfs-and-childcare/childcare-sufficiency/>.

### **Tribal Competition Update**

We are pleased to announce the winners of our most recent tribal fitness competition. The following children achieved above and beyond what was expected. Well done!

Gwithian (Year 1) – Jaxon (Glendurgan)

Porthcurno (Year 1) – Isaiah (Eden)

Newlyn (Year 3) – Adam (Heligan)

Porthleven (Year 4) – TJ (Eden)

Mevagissey (Year 4) – Ellie (Trebah)

Godrevy (Year 6) – Oliver (Glendurgan)

### **IMPORTANT: Menu Change**



#### **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

Vegetable soup (Vegetarian and Vegan)  
Homemade bread roll  
Spinach and Vegetable Curry (Vegetarian and Vegan)  
Rice  
Homemade cookie

#### **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Baked Beans (Vegan option available)  
Pizza bread (Vegetarian and Vegan)  
Yogurt or Fresh Fruit

#### **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December**

Turkey Curry with Rice  
[Steak Pasty – Limited Availability]  
[Cheese Pasty – Limited Availability]  
Carrot Cake or Fruit Salad

#### **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

Fish  
Chips  
Vegetable Samosa (Vegetarian and Vegan)  
Iced Treats

### Unauthorised Exceptional Leave of Absence Information

The law requires parents and carers to ensure their children receive an efficient full-time education, and every minute of every day is important. Please help them not to miss any of this valuable time.

We hope that when you have read the information outlined on our website, you will consider that your child's education is too important to take holidays during term time.

***If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £60 if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may result in legal action. Absence not authorised by the school may result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court.***

### Unauthorised Late Marks Information

If your child is arriving late, after 8:50am this will be recorded as Late (L). If your child arrives after the register has closed at 9:10am, this will be recorded as an Unauthorised Absence (U). If your child accrues 10 Unauthorised Absences within 100 sessions (10 weeks) you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996.

Persistent absence/unauthorised lates, not authorised by the school, may result in a prosecution in the Magistrates Courts, leading to fines up to £2500 and/or custodial sentences.

### Child Absence

Please do contact us as soon as possible if your child is going to be absent from school. Messages can be left on the answer phone if your call is not taken.

# Every Minute Counts

**LATENESS = LOST LEARNING TIME**

(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

<b>5</b> minutes late each day	<b>3</b> days lost
<b>10</b> minutes late each day	<b>6.5</b> days lost
<b>15</b> minutes late each day	<b>10</b> days lost
<b>20</b> minutes late each day	<b>13</b> days lost
<b>30</b> minutes late each day	<b>19</b> days lost

### Attendance

Thank you so much for promoting and supporting good attendance across the school.

The school's current overall attendance is **96.1%**.