



Friday 12th January 2018

DIARY DATES

Monday 15th Jan – Year 4 FOMHS Cake Sale, 3pm

Tuesday 16th January – Year 6 Victorian Morning

Fri 19th January 2018 - Learn to Teach Aspire Open Morning, 9am – 12pm

Monday 22nd Jan – Godrevy, Longships & Pendeen Visit Newquay Zoo

Tuesday 6th February – Year 3 Visit Pizza Express

Thursday 22nd Feb – Year 3 Swimming Lessons

Thursday 15th March – Maths Open Morning, 9am-10:30am

W/c 12th March - Parent Consultation Meetings

CELEBRATIONS & ACHIEVEMENTS

Fri 12 th January	Achievement	Celebration
Mousehole	Mason	Ariel
Godrevy	Hallam	Poppy
Longships	Kacey	Reuben
Pendeen	Esme	Tassy
Class 3	Neeve	Louisa
Class 4	Ellen	Elowyn
Class 5	Jago	Keris
Class 6L	Connie	Archie
Class 6C	Kara	Gracie

SPRING TERM CLUBS

Spring term after-school clubs will start next week and will run for 10 weeks (except Friday clubs, which will run for 9). Please notify the office if your child will be unable to attend a club, or if they will be collected by another parent, to avoid any last-minute phone calls!

ATTENDANCE AND LATENESS

Regular attendance at school is very important to ensure that all our children make the most of their learning. Our school target is at least 96% attendance. Because of all the germs around at the moment, our attendance in some classes has dropped below this. We hope, with the spring weather making an appearance, that this will improve. With the dark mornings it can be hard to get moving first thing. However, school - and learning - start at 8.45 am. Please make sure that your child is in the playground before the bell rings, so that they can go into class with their friends and make the most of every moment. Thank you.

COATS HATS & SCARVES

As the weather has been particularly chilly lately, we would ask that any coats, hats and gloves etc, sent into school are clearly labelled with your child's name.



HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We hope that you all had a lovely Christmas. A heartfelt thank you from all the staff for the good wishes, cards and presents we received – we are very grateful, and are very excited to be back for the Spring Term. We have many events planned again this year, starting with a visit from Daya. You can read more about this later in the newsletter.

MATHS MORNING

We are very lucky to be having a visit from Shelley Beckerleg on Thursday 18th January. Shelley is a teacher in Aspire, and is also a Maths Mastery specialist for Cornwall Maths Hub. She will be teaching a demonstration lesson to Key Stage One and will spend the rest of the day supporting our teachers in planning Maths Mastery teaching approaches. We would also like you to come into school on Thursday 15th March between 9.00-10.30 to find out more about how we teach maths and visit the classes to see maths in action.

SPRING CELEBRATION WEEK

This year, we will be joining in with Science Week from 12th-16th March. Our theme is going to be 'Plastic' and looking at how we can reduce our use of it and stop using single use plastic. More details to follow.



EMERGENCY CLOSURE PROCEDURES

In the event of severe weather, it may be necessary to close the school. However, this will be the very last resort. If we do get some very bad weather in the form of snow and ice then please check the following places for information. Do not attempt to phone the school. A decision on closure will be made as early as possible and we will attempt to make this before 8am.

We will also attempt to text all parents.

- <http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/current-school-closures>
- www.mounthawke.org
- Local Radio –BBC Cornwall, Heart FM and Pirate FM

THANK YOU DAYA

As part of our RE celebration week we welcomed Daya into our school. She talked to the children about Hinduism, Islam, Sikhism and Indian culture. The children enjoyed learning about the religion, dressing up in clothes, dancing and tasting Indian food. A real treat, which we all found fascinating! Thank you to FOMHS for making this experience possible.



HEALTHWATCH CORNWALL SURVEY REQUEST

Natalie Swann, our Hub Councillor, has asked if our parents would help with a short survey.

Healthwatch Cornwall would really appreciate it if you could share our survey: "Access to a GP Appointment in Cornwall – 2017"

Healthwatch Cornwall is an independent, publicly-funded organisation. We have statutory duties and a remit to ensure health and social care services in Cornwall are the best they can be for people, now and in the future. The aim of this survey is to understand people's views and experiences of accessing an appointment with their GP (general practitioner) in Cornwall. We hope to understand more about the people of Cornwall's expectations and preferences, to help inform and shape future plans. We are liaising with NHS Kernow (Kernow Clinical Commissioning Group) on their plans to deliver improved access to GP services.

We are working with both public and private organisations to distribute the survey far and wide across Cornwall to gain as broad a picture as possible, about how difficult or easy it is to access a GP appointment in the county. It is for anyone in Cornwall to complete, parents and the general public.

About the survey:

People are finding appointments with doctors in Cornwall increasingly difficult to access according to the latest feedback given to Healthwatch Cornwall from patients. This experience varies across GP practices in Cornwall. In response, the health and social care watchdog has launched a survey to learn more about how easy or difficult people across the county find securing a slot to see a doctor at their surgery.

The National GP Patient Survey data from July 2017 shows general practice services in Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly are consistently regarded by patients as better than the England average. However, there is a shortage of general practice doctors nationally and locally – demand is increasing whilst the number of doctors is not. This means services may need to be provided in other ways to ensure they meet the public's needs and offer the best possible patient experience, within the allocated budget and resources.

The survey is aimed at people who live in Cornwall, even if not currently registered with a doctor, and runs from Wednesday, December 13 to Friday, January 19, 2018. Participants can choose to enter a prize draw too.

To access the survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/accessdoctor2017>

Alternatively, the survey can be accessed through our website: www.healthwatchcornwall.co.uk

Should you participate, many thanks for your time and help with this.