



Weekly

Newsletter

11th January 2018

Dear Parents,

Welcome back! I hope that you have all had a wonderful Christmas break, spent some great family-time and are having a good start to the New Year.

We are very excited about the learning opportunities planned for this term, with visits already booked and visitors prepared. Since coming back last Thursday we have already visited Trinity Chapel with the choir and recorder group, Year 5 have completed their first Bikeability session, 4 of our Key Stage 1 children have attended a Gymnastics competition and our huge range of after school clubs have started.

Welcome

Welcome to Mr Ben Osborne in Kingfishers Class and welcome to Mrs Nicky Clarke who has joined our team as the new cook. Thank you to Mrs Nicky Strike for all of her hard work here in the kitchen. We look forward to working with Mrs Clarke and Chartwells to ensure the development of further high quality lunches at school.

Parent Questionnaires

Thank you very much for taking the time to complete the questionnaires. We had a record number returned this year and we really appreciate your support and value your comments. The results were overwhelmingly positive with a high percentage of the responses good or better in every area. We can always be better and we look forward to using your feedback to take our school forward to ensure we achieve the very best for all of our pupils.

Character Learning

This week our new virtue is 'Cleanliness'. The children are looking at washing their hands, cleaning their teeth and cleaning up after themselves. We hope to see these virtues develop.

Health and Wellbeing

We have included this feature in our newsletter for about a year now as the health and wellbeing of your children and everyone here at Halwin is of great importance to us. We would really like you to be more involved so if you have a favourite healthy recipe or favourite local walk/bike ride, we'd love to hear about it – so that we can post it in our weekly newsletters for everyone to enjoy.

SATs – Parent Information Meetings

We would like to invite all parents of pupils in **Year 6** to attend an information session on **Wednesday 24th January at 2.30pm**. This will give us an opportunity to give all the relevant information you need regarding this year's SATs. There will also be a meeting for all parents of pupils in **Year 2** on **Monday 29th January at 2.30pm**. Please let us know if you cannot attend.

We will also be running a Year 6 SATs Club after school on **Thursdays** from 3.15pm to 4.00pm, starting on Thursday 25th January. It would be very beneficial for all Year 6 pupils to attend if possible. Thank you.

Please remember that it is an INSET day tomorrow, have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Sarah Richards
Assistant Headteacher

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Karate Readers

Congratulations to Jonah, Ewan and Amelia who collected their orange bands this week, to Bradley who collected his blue band this week and to Max (Robins) who collected his purple band this week.

Well done everyone, keep reading!



After School Care Provision

Can we please remind parents that pre-booking is required for Mrs Jenkins' after school club, except in exceptional circumstances. Thank you.



Chartwells Menu Change – Taste of Italy

On Thursday 18th January there will be a change of menu for Census Day. There will be a choice of ham and pineapple pizza or macaroni cheese served with chips and gardens peas. There will also be a fresh salad bar and garlic and herb bread available. Dessert will be strawberry frozen yogurt.



Cheque Payees

If you wish to pay for any school items by cheque, other than school dinners, can you please ensure your cheques are made payable to Southerly Point Co-operative MAT.

Cheques for dinner money should still be made payable to Chartwells.



Owls Class Reminder

The children in Owls Class have been asked to bring in either a shoe box lid or a foil tray. Please can these be in school by next week as we are going to be making Japanese rock gardens as part of this term's topic. Thank you.



Robins Class Request

Robins Class would be very grateful for any cardboard tubes and tin foil or plastic trays. Please see Mrs Tamblin if you can help. Thanks.



Letters Home

Please make sure you have received the following information this week:-

Class Letter – Kingfishers Class

Trip to Flambards – Kingfishers Class

Trip to Falmouth University – Owls Class

Teaching arrangements this term – Owls Class

Y6 teaching arrangements this term – Y6 pupils

What's On Diary?

Posters for events listed here and all other events will be on display in the main reception area.



Dyslexia Awareness Workshop for Year 6 and 7 Parents

There will be a Dyslexia Awareness Workshop on Wednesday 31st January 2018 from 2.00-3.00pm at Helston Community College for any parents who would like to attend. For more details or to book a place, please contact Caroline Bloor at cbloor@helston.cornwall.sch.uk

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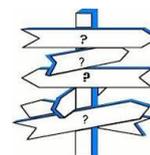
Parents – Learn about Scratch Coding

As a result of changes in the curriculum recently coding is being taught in all schools. Link into Learning are offering a weekly course for parents to learn the basics of using Scratch and how to make a simple computer game such as Pacman. The course will take place at Truro Library starting on Wednesday 17th January 10am-12pm and running for 9 sessions. For more information or to book a place please call Ian the Family Learning Tutor on 07811 179401.

Multi Sport Activity Camp

Half term fun for children aged 6-14 years at the Sir Ben Ainslie Sports Centre, Truro School. Monday to Friday 8.30am-5.30pm, £25 per day (hot lunch included). For more information or to book a place call 01872 246050 or email:

sport@truroschoo.com



‘Signposting’

We would like to make it clear that all ‘signposted’ activities are external to the school. Parents should make their own enquiries and satisfy themselves as to the suitability of the provider before engaging their service.

Events Diary

Date	Event
Mon 15 Jan	Robins Class trip to Maritime Museum
Mon 15 Jan	Youth Speaks Competition at Germoe Primary School
Tues 16 Jan	Open the Book Assembly
Wed 17 Jan	Bikeability – Y5
Wed 17 Jan	Owls Class trip to Falmouth University
Thurs 18 Jan	KS2 Swimming @ HCC
Fri 19 Jan	Celebration Assembly 2.50pm
Mon 22 Jan	FOH Meeting 2.30pm – all welcome
Mon 22 Jan	HCC Y5 Transition Project 3.30-4.30pm – Science
Tues 23 Jan	Kingfishers trip to Flambards
Tues 23 Jan	Open the Book Assembly
Wed 24 Jan	Y6 Parent SATs Information Meeting – 2.30pm
Thurs 25 Jan	KS2 Swimming @ HCC
Fri 26 Jan	Celebration Assembly 2.50pm
Mon 29 Jan	Y2 Parents SATs Information Meeting – 2.30pm
Tues 30 Jan	Open the Book Assembly
Thurs 1 Feb	KS2 Swimming @ HCC
Fri 2 Feb	Celebration Assembly 2.50pm
Mon 5 Feb	Parents Evening
Mon 5 Feb	HCC Y6 Transition Project 3.30-4.30pm – English
Tues 6 Feb	Open the Book Assembly
Wed 7 Feb	Y6 visit to Falmouth University 10am-12pm
Thurs 8 Feb	KS2 Swimming @ HCC
Fri 9 Feb	Celebration Assembly 2.50pm
Mon 12-Fri 16 Feb	Half Term

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• Social Responsibility • Caring for Others