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NEWSLETTER 3

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School focuses for this term:

British values: Tolerance

Learning Power: Resilience

Weekly attendance: Seahorses: 100% Turtles: 98% Dolphins: 97% Pelicans: 93%

Summer Term Overall attendance: 97%



School Assembly was in the playground this morning

A message from Tessa Cubitt, Chair of Governors:

'After many happy years as a governor of St Wenn school my second term of office as Chair has come to an end so I am retiring at the end of this term. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to lead a strong team of governors at this excellent school with great teachers and lovely children. I am delighted to inform you that Richard Fenwick has been elected Chair to take over in September. I wish him and the school all the very best.'

I know that you will all want me to pass on our huge thanks to Dr Cubitt for her tireless support, enthusiasm and dedication to the school whilst steering the St Wenn ship! We would also like to extend a true St Wenn welcome to Mr Fenwick who has already settled into being an active member of the Governing Team.

Note:

Information for parents from Ofsted – please follow link below for current updates:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-inspections-a-guide-for-parents>

Dear parents,

I just spent ten minutes walking around our school to catch a snap of what was going on – amazing!!

Seahorses were guessing missing numbers to 100 then spinning a giant spinner to check their guess - children were carefully chosen for a turn according to their ability showing how well Mrs Lush-Williams knows exactly where the best pitch of

challenge is for each child. Very engaged and excited children – great learning and questioning encouraged thought and increased depth of understanding. Some Turtles were reading, reading, reading with Mrs Ward (I had been in earlier to watch them finding fractions by sharing biscuits!) while other helpful children were sweeping the floor and wiping the tables ready for lunch! Miss Wheeler was working with a focused group reviewing the morning's learning – she now normally teaches within a carousel which includes an element of free choice, choosing resources...and focused teacher group learning. This is working brilliantly and is more the style of Early Years Learning which our Year ones missed so much of during Lockdowns. Dolphins were busily editing their writing individually with Mr Beer. Clear progress could be seen by their ability to explain what they were doing; they could also make links to the real world by explaining why a 'final copy' may be important. An excellent calm learning environment tempted me to stay a while. Dolphins now have a new challenge in their reading corner – rods which you can construct into different shaped shelters – great fun! Pelicans, meanwhile, were consolidating the outdoor maths which they did yesterday – reviewing learning, making links to their new learning and clearly explaining to me how this will be useful to them in real life. I could hardly stop 2 children telling me precisely what they had been doing all week.

Such sheer enthusiasm and pacy learning right across the school is a joy to see ... and hear!
Fantastic.

Mr Beer has been given a date for his knee operation – finally!

Although he will be hugely missed over this coming half term, we are relieved that this operation is now to go ahead. His final day for this term will be May 24th. We are employing Mathew Taylor to fill his shoes while he is recovering. Mr Taylor has already visited the school and made an excellent impression. He is extremely sporty and top of the game at computing. He will be spending some time in school with Mr Beer and the children over the next few weeks. Mr Beer will be writing the children's reports during his convalescence and he will be coming back in to school for our yearly transition sessions so that the year 2 children will be able to spend some time with him before the end of the year. Any questions or concerns, please call or drop me an email.

Teachers from September 2021:

Seahorses Preschool: Mrs Mackay and Mrs Stevens
 Reception: Miss Bartlett and Mrs Watson
Turtles (Y1/2) Mrs Lush-Williams and Mrs Smith (new Headteacher)
Dolphins (Y3/4) Mr Beer
Pelicans (Y5/6) Mrs Foley and Mrs Watson

Wrap around Care

We are delighted to now be offering afternoon care as well as breakfast club! This will begin daily from Monday June 7th. The cost will be £3.75 from 3.15 – 4.15 or £7.00 from 3.15 – 5.00. You are welcome to collect your child/children within these times at your convenience. We will set up booking in advance and payment through ParentPay – more information when this is in place.

French Café in Pelicans

Pelicans were rewarded by one of the class spending their stars this week on a French cafe morning.. All orders needed to be made in French and paid for with euros.



A fab week...and soon the sunshine!!

With best wishes,

Sally

**INSET DAYS FOR YOUR DIARY:
June Friday June 11th and Friday July 23rd.**