

Friday 7th February 2020

School focuses for this half term: British values: Mutual respect and tolerance: Learning Power - Respect

Weekly attendance: Seahorses: 98.9% Turtles: 93.8% Dolphins: 96.4%

Pelicans: 95.0%

Autumn Term Overall attendance: 98.8%

Total Attendance YTD: (01/09-30/01/20) 97.56%

INSET DAY - FRIDAY FEBRUARY 14th INSET DAY - FRIDAY JUNE 5th

#### **NIT ALERT**

3 reported cases this week - need to be really vigilant again please!

#### Parent evenings:

These will take place during the weeks beginning March 2<sup>nd</sup> for KSI and March 9<sup>th</sup> for KS2

## Dear parents,

This will be the last newsletter of this half term as we have a staff INSET day on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February. We will be finishing school at the normal time...Happy half term!!

## Skipping Workshop

'Today we were all lucky enough to have Liz, a National Skipping and Games Coach, hold skipping workshops for all the children. We had a fun filled morning building on what we learnt with her last year and learning new skills. Skipping is a great way to keep fit for both children and adults. We hope the children keep it up.

We will use these new skipping skills in a fundraising event that we will be holding 'Skip for Sowenna' to raise money for sport equipment and activities for the young people staying at Sowenna – Cornwall's first adolescent mental health unit, in Bodmin. We will let you know more soon! 'Miss Bartlett

Thanks to Miss Bartlett for organising this.



## Reading, Reading!

We have been thrilled to see the differences in our readers at St Wenn. A significant number of children have realised that reading more improves their ability ...which leads to reading becoming a pleasure rather than a chore. Fantastic! Thank you so much for supporting your child in making this difference — a skill for life never lost.

#### Coronavirus

# Advice for parents/guardians from the Department of Education

You should not be unduly worried about the possibility of your children catching the Coronavirus.

There is no reason why your children should not continue to attend their early years, school or further education setting as normal.

We recognise that some families or children may be planning to travel to China during the forthcoming half term period. If so, please refer to the FCO's latest travel advice via the link above.

What action you can take

A UK wide campaign has been launched to provide clear advice on how to slow the spread of Coronavirus.

Please help to support the campaign which promotes basic hygiene practices, such as regularly washing hands and always sneezing into a tissue, to stem the spread of viruses.

# The School Lottery

We would like to remind parents that Friends of St Wenn signed the school up to 'The School Lottery' scheme a couple years ago. It is a fantastic way for them to raise money to help fund projects and trips for the school. Anybody can participate. This includes parents, grandparents and anyone from the community. You just have to go to <a href="https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/">https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/</a> to sign up. Tickets cost £1. You can pay by credit/debit card or bank transfer. For every ticket you play 76% goes to our school and the prizes. There is a weekly local cash winner which is randomnly selected by The School Lottery from our school 'group' and your ticket number also goes into the nationwide School Lottery Prize Draw.

### Dates for this term

Tues Feb II<sup>th</sup> – Safer Internet day Fri Feb I4<sup>th</sup> – Staff INSET day

Half term – Mon Feb 17<sup>th</sup> – Fri Feb 21<sup>st</sup>

Wed Feb 26<sup>th</sup> — Dad' and grandads please come into school to read with your

children

Fri Feb 28<sup>th</sup> — Run for Life — more information to follow

W/c Mon Mar 2<sup>nd</sup> - KSI parent's evenings

Tues Mar 3<sup>rd</sup> - No Choir

Thurs Mar 5<sup>th</sup> — World Book Day W/c Mon Mar 9<sup>th</sup> — KS2 parent's evenings

W/c Mon Mar 9<sup>th</sup> - Science week

Thur Mar 12<sup>th</sup> - 7pm Ben Warwick'concert at St Gomonda's Church, Roche (see

flyer attache)

Mon Mar 23<sup>rd</sup> - the Community
Wed Mar 25<sup>th</sup> - Big Me Day

Fri Mar 27<sup>th</sup> - Country Dancing demonstration in Assembly

### With best wishes

Sally Berry