

# Padstow School Newsletter

## 13th September 2019

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### ATTENDANCE

| Puffin | Lapwing | Kittiwake | Cormorant | Razorbill | Curlew | School average |
|--------|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------|----------------|
| 100%   | 97.7%   | 98.5%     | 99.2%     | 98.1%     | 100%   | 98.8%          |

***If you are booking a holiday, make sure that it coincides with school breaks.***

Snowflake the Attendance Owl will be shared between **Puffin** and **Curlew** classes next week. Congratulations to them as they've both achieved 100% attendance on the first week back!



### Diary Dates

#### September:

17 Year 6 swimming lessons start

#### October:

18 Last day of Autumn term 1

#### 21-15 HALF TERM

28 Start of Autumn term 2

### Welcome back to school

The beginning of another academic year is always a time for adjustment and looking forward. With our class re-shuffle and newly decorated classrooms and learning zones, we have all seen changes this week. I'm delighted to say that all of the children have come into school with smiles and have settled into their new classes brilliantly. I am therefore awarding my 'Special Award' this week to all classes for a superb start to the term and they will all receive extra 'green time' as a result. As we look towards this academic year, we have lots of exciting plans to keep learning and achieving every day. We have a new classroom resource being implemented that will benefit every child and we are already making plans for class trips and other outdoor events throughout the year.

Thanks again for your support.

Kate Whitford, Head of School.

### Congratulations!

Congratulations to Mr Bennetts who got married over the summer holidays. From now on he will be known as Mr Taylor.

### Classroom refurbishment

A huge thank-you to Sean, our Site Manager, for his hard work over the summer holidays refurbishing the classrooms ready for the new academic year and our new classes.

### Council school applications

A reminder that it's the time of year to apply for school places for new Reception or Secondary school in September 2020. See posters on our emailed newsletter.

### A change in communication

We are no longer using eschools to send texts and emails to parents as Aspire are moving over to communicating via Arbor, our Management Information System. Keep an eye out for a letter coming home soon requesting up-to-date email addresses and mobile numbers to ensure that we have your correct details before we launch the new Arbor App. Thanks.

## School Rules Certificate Winners:

### GOLDEN RULES

Show good manners at all times  
Follow instructions with thought and care  
Show care and respect for everyone and everything

**Puffin:** (certificates will be awarded in this class

★ once children are attending all day)

**Lapwing :** Esme ★

**Kittiwake :** Faith

**Cormorant :** Aliesha

★ **Razorbill :** Taylor

**Curlew :** Fern ★

## Mrs Whitford's Special Awards:

**\* ALL classes!**

We have also awarded numerous certificates to children for their reading, writing and maths as well as Green Cards and specific class certificates.



## PTFA news

The annual PTFA AGM is being held on Thursday 10th October at 2.00pm in the school hall. All parents and carers welcome. They are very welcoming and always appreciate any offers of assistance. Please come along if you can.

On Friday 20th September, the PTFA will be selling ex-library books in return for a donation. They will be situated in the hall at 3.15pm.

## School Values Certificate Winners:

Happiness Team Work  
Friendship

Communication

Freedom Curiosity

Honesty Trust

Kindness Respect

Healthy

Resilience Ambition

Community

Individuality

Perseverance

**Puffin:** (certificates will be awarded in this class once children are attending all day)

**Lapwing:** Jack N

**Kittiwake:** Thomas

**Cormorant:** Teegan

**Razorbill:** Nyah

**Curlew:** Jenson,  
Donny, Zac & James.

## Internet safety

We will be holding an Internet Safety Assembly for all children from Year 2 upwards on 30th September. This is an area that is more important and relevant than ever and we will continue to ensure that our children have all of the latest advice available. Can you please let the office know if you feel a Parents' Workshop on Internet safety would be useful.

## Spare jam jars please

Miss Mainwaring would appreciate any donations of empty jam jars for her to use in her lunch-time Mindfulness club. If you have any spare, please drop

## In memory of Laura Smallwood

Two of our parents, Katy and Nina, are undertaking a charity skydive on 20th September in Laura's memory. They are raising money for the Neonatal Unit Charitable fund at the Royal Cornwall Hospital and Padstow Coastguard Association. If you would like to support them please visit their justgiving page:

[https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/skydiveinlaurasmemory?utm\\_term=J27wpaZpE.com/crowdfunding](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/skydiveinlaurasmemory?utm_term=J27wpaZpE.com/crowdfunding)

In the evening of that same day—Friday 20th September—they are also holding a Disco and Hog-roast (with charity auction too) at 8pm at the Padstow Social Club. The theme is 'Neon & Sparkle' and tickets are £5 on the door.