

Padstow School Newsletter

March 9th 2018

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OFSTED Update Meeting

The next Ofsted update meeting for parents will be on **Wednesday 14th March** at 6.00pm in the school hall.

Snow Days

Thank you to you all for your help and support on Wednesday afternoon when we took the decision to close the school early due to the extreme weather forecast. It was a rare treat for the children to experience such a bountiful snowfall in Cornwall and we have enjoyed hearing their stories of snowman-making, sledging and snowball fights. Please can we take this opportunity to remind you of the importance of having the correct contact details at the school office. If you, or any of your child's contacts, have recently moved house, changed phone number or email address, please let us know.

Safeguarding Reminder

Should you wish your child to be collected by someone other than yourself, you need to let the office know of the change of arrangements. A note of the change to arrangements will be made and that note passed to the class teacher. If we do not have parental permission for a child to be collected by someone different, then we cannot release them until we have contacted you.

Sport Relief: Friday 16th March

Come to school in your sports kit or dressed as your favourite sports person in return for a £1 donation for Sport Relief. In the afternoon children will be taking part in a variety of sporting activities.



Diary Dates

March:

9th—Y3 Truro Museum Trip
14th—Ofsted update meeting 6pm
16th—Sport Relief
29th—School closes for Easter at 2pm

April:

16th—Summer term 1 begins
30th—Strike Up

May:

1st—School Closed: May Day
14th-18th—SATs Week
25th—School closes at 3.15 for half term

June:

4th—Summer term 2 begins

July:

2nd-6th—Year 6 Transition Week
18th Summer Fayre
20th—School closes for summer 2pm

Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to school on Thursday 15th March. The children will be able to browse the range of books on offer during the school day and the Fair will be open for purchasing from 3.15pm. All welcome.

World Book Day and St Piran's Day Celebrations

The children really enjoyed dressing up and celebrating our Cornish-themed World Book Day and St Piran's Day on Monday. They listened to traditional Cornish stories including the legend of the Doom Bar, learned the meaning behind the Cornish Flag, tried out a few Cornish words and phrases, devoured pasties for lunch and wrote and illustrated their own stories. A big thank you to Mrs Becky Green who brought her accordion into school for the children to dance and sing to.



Listening to Cornish Tales in assembly



Y3 wrote and illustrated their own Cornish story books and then read them to the Reception Class

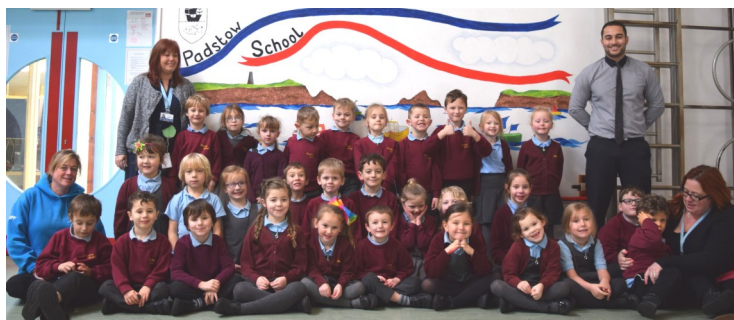


The Reception Class thought it was great fun to dress up in black & white for the day

Attendance

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
88.8%	98.8%	96.5%	87.2%	90.6%	98.4%	95.5%

Congratulations Year 1 You are our attendance winners!



School Values Certificate Winners:

Happiness Team Work Friendship Communication Freedom
 Curiosity Honesty Trust Kindness Respect Healthy Resilience
 Ambition Community Individuality Perseverance

Year R: Faith
 Year 1: Cadan
 Year 2: Nyah
 Year 3: Alfie
 Year 4: Elliott
 Year 5: TBA
 Year 6: Niambh, Laila & Jocelyn

School Rules Certificate Winners:

Show good manners at all times

Follow instructions with thought & care

Show care & respect for everyone & everything

Year R: Myla
 Year 1: Harley
 Year 2: Declan
 Year 3: Cali
 Year 4: Bethany
 Year 5: TBA
 Year 6: Viggo & Charlie

Mrs Whitford's Special Awards:

*Faith (YR)

* Kyle (Y4)

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

Letters from School

When you receive a letter from the school which requires you to complete and return a form, please can we ask you to do this **as soon as possible**, within 48 hours is ideal, even if the event or trip is several weeks away. This helps us enormously to be as efficient as possible at organising the event/trip, the transport required, the number of staff needed etc and helps us to avoid wasting time sending out 2nd and 3rd letters and chasing up responses. We will send out a maximum of 3 letters for each event/trip, if we do not receive the completed form after the 3rd letter, your child will not be able to go to the trip/event as we will not have your consent to take them. Thank you for your support.

KS2 Cross Country

Well done to Ethan, Harlyn, Harry, Rudy, Alfie M, Lilly, Lizzie, Zac and Ruby who competed in the KS2 Cross Country at Wadebridge School fields last week. Despite it being bitterly cold, they all turned up and completed the course with big smiles on their faces. A special mention to Lilly who qualified for the County Cross Country Championships.



Chromebook Fund

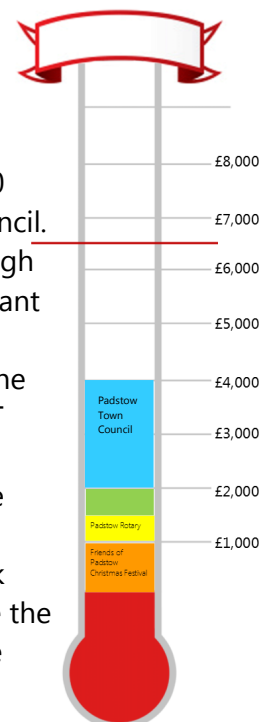
£6,500

Our goal

Our Chromebook Fund has increased from £1,500 to just under £4,000.

- The Friends of Padstow School received a very
- generous grant of £2,000 from Padstow Town Council.
- £135.61 was raised through the collections at the Infant Christmas Performances
- £51.00 was raised from the sale of wetsuits and an IT table
- £250 was raised from the sale of a Mac computer.

We have put a Chromebook Fund 'thermometer' outside the school office so you can see how our fundraising is progressing. We have also added a collection box and welcome all donations.



Help us to become nit-free—please check your child's hair this weekend

Y5 Vocal Workshop



Our Y5 children enjoyed a visit from Nicola Hosking last week. Nicola, who works for Cornwall Music Education Hub, came in to do a 1 day Vocal Workshop.

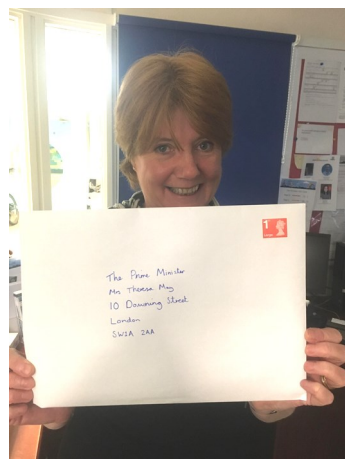
The theme was Earth and Space and the children had great fun learning songs with actions; a great way to demonstrate the scope of their vocal range.

The Cornwall Music Education Hub is funded by the Department for Education, through Arts Council England, to support schools. It's a partnership of organisations, led by Cornwall Council, who work together to provide quality musical activities for all children and young people in Cornwall.

Y6 Persuasive Text

Y6 have been putting their knowledge of persuasive text into practice. They have each written a letter to the Prime Minister to try to persuade her to take action against the plastic pollution problem. You can read some of their letters on the Y6 page on the school

website: [http://www.padstowschool.org/website/y6 we have been/203840](http://www.padstowschool.org/website/y6%20we%20have%20been/203840)



Mrs Brooks heading to the post box with the letters for the Prime Minister

A Very Special Visitor for Years 2 and 4

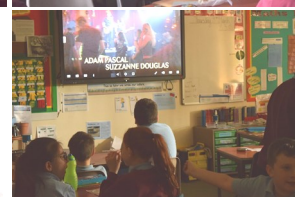
Years 2 and 4 had a special visitor yesterday Daya came in to teach them about Sikhism, Hinduism and Indian Culture. The children dressed up in traditional clothes, learned about Sikh prayer and places of worship as well as practicing some funky dancing. In the afternoon Daya helped them to make chapattis, they were deee licious!



Y5 Green Time

Y5 have worked exceptionally hard this term to earn their 'Good to be Green' minutes in class. They decided, for part of their reward, they would like a movie experience afternoon.

Green Time is awarded when all class members have stayed 'GREEN' for a whole day (that is no amber cards). 5 minutes are rewarded per day. This is a cumulative reward – a maximum of 25 mins can be gained in a 5 day period for example. Once the class has gained enough 'time' then GREEN TIME is given. Green time is a class chosen activity. Please note: 5 minutes will never be taken away from the class once it has been earned.



Tea Party

Miss Webster hosted a tea party on Thursday afternoon for the children who entered the creative writing competition in December. Watch this space for details of the next one.....



Y4 & 5 Teaching Staff

Unfortunately Mr Warrick Murphy was not able to take up Miss Ingle's teaching position as originally planned. We are pleased to welcome Diane Hoskin on board. Diane will be teaching in Year 4 on Mondays and Tuesdays, and Year 5 on Fridays.

Y3 Museum Trip

Y3 set off for a visit to Truro museum this morning where they will be taking part in a 2 hour workshop as part of their topic on the Egyptians.



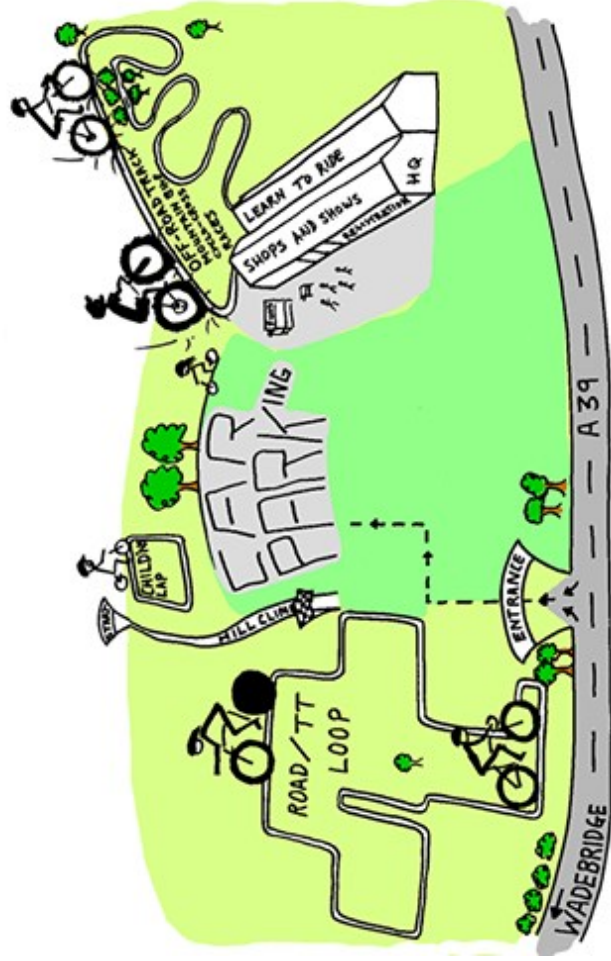


Saturday 21st April 10-4

Royal Cornwall Showground

£5.00 Parking

- *learn to ride *displays and demos
 - *refreshments *time trials
 - *road racing *mountain bike course
 - *bike shops *live music
- www.cyclingsaturday.co.uk



Padstow Town Council Housing Needs Survey Closing Date: Sunday 11 March 2018



What's It About?

Padstow Town Council and Cornwall Council are working in partnership to conduct an online survey to establish the need for housing and help to ascertain what kind of housing, including affordable housing local people need.

The results of this survey will help the Town Council in developing the Neighbourhood Plan. The survey should take no more than 5-10 minutes to complete.

How Do I Participate?

On-line: The survey is available to complete on Cornwall Council's website by visiting:

<https://www.netigate.se/a/s.aspx?s=501054X107576271X14405>

To access the survey using a search engine e.g Google: Enter "Cornwall Council Housing Needs Survey" into the search bar – this will take you to the "Current Housing Need Surveys" page where you will find the "Padstow Housing Needs Survey" in the list.

Hard Copies: Can be obtained from Padstow Town Council's Council Offices, Station House, Station Road, Padstow PL28 8DA. Once complete these can be returned to Padstow Town Council who will, on your behalf, submit your answers using the on-line survey site. Once submitted your hard copy will be destroyed.

For Further Information

Please contact Cornwall Council's Affordable Housing Team 01872 326353 or email them at affordablehousing@cornwall.gov.uk