

# Padstow School Newsletter

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### School closes for the summer on Wednesday 26th July at 2pm

### Non-Uniform Day Tomorrow

Please bring in your small box filled with inexpensive goodies (i.e crayons, small toys, sweets, hair ties etc) for our 'What's in the Box' stall.

Your child should have brought their box home today.

### A Letter From Mr Hill

After an amazing six years back here at Padstow, it is with a heavy heart, that I am writing to inform you that I shall be moving school at the end of this term.

The Trust have asked me to take up the role of Head of School at Truro Learning Academy (TLA) in Truro from September in a position that will allow me further develop my career.

Joining the school in my role, from September, will be Mrs Kate Whitford, an experienced and respected Head of School from Treverbyn Academy. She will be supported by Mr Banks.

A full time Year 6 teacher is currently being appointed to ensure the class are given all the support they need and require for next year.

Mrs. Whitford will be visiting the school next Monday afternoon to meet the staff and children. The newly appointed Year 6 class teacher will be coming into school next week to meet the class.

I want to say thank you. To all the children, parents and staff for making my time here at Padstow full of wonderful experiences. It has been a total privilege to teach your children and to be part of their journeys, being supported by such a committed and talented team in school.

Come and soak me at the Summer Fair one more time!

Simon Hill

Head of School

### Keyboard Assembly

We were treated to a very enjoyable keyboard assembly yesterday morning courtesy of William, Grace, Bailey, Beth, Elliot and their teacher Mr Watts. Elliot showed true dedication and perseverance by performing even though he has a broken arm!



### Diary Dates

#### July:

13th—Aspiration Awards Assembly

19th—Summer Fayre 2.00pm

26th—School closes for summer 2pm

#### September:

5th—Autumn term 1 begins

20th—Cheese & Wine Evening

#### October:

12th—Harvest Festival

**20th—School Closed**

23rd-27th—Half Term

**30th—School Closed**

31st—Autumn term 2 begins

#### November:

1st- 3rd—Year 6 Residential Trip

8th—Our Girls Can

13th-17th—Anti Bullying Week

17th—Children in Need

20th-24th—Road Safety Week

#### December:

12th—Carol Concert at St Petroc's

13th—Christmas Fayre

20th—School closes for Christmas at 2pm

#### January 2018:

4th—Spring term 1 begins

#### February 2018:

6th—Safer Internet Day

12th-16th—Half Term

17th—Random Acts of Kindness Day

19th—Spring term 2 begins

#### March 2018:

1st—World Book Day

16th—Sport Relief

29th—School closes for Easter at 2pm

#### April 2018:

16th—Summer term 1 begins

30th—Strike Up

#### May 2018:

**1st—School Closed: May Day**

14th-18th—SATs Week

29th—Half Term

#### June 2018:

4th—Summer term 2 begins

#### July 2018:

2nd-6th—Year 6 Transition Week

18th Summer Fayre

20th—School closes for summer 2pm

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

## 'Blanket Permission'

Thank you to everyone who has filled in and returned the blanket permission form. If you haven't yet returned yours please do so as soon as possible so we can ensure the system is up to date and ready to go for the new academic year. Copies of the letter were emailed to all parents/guardians last week as well as a paper copy being sent home with the children. Spare copies are available from the office if needed.

## The Summer Fair—collecting your children

Parents are welcome to collect their children from their exterior classrooms doors from 1.30pm on Wednesday to take them around the Fair, you are then free to take them home whenever you wish.

If you are unable to come to the Summer Fair please collect your child at 3.15pm as usual (unless they are in the juniors and normally walk home unaccompanied, in which case, a member of staff will dismiss them from school at 3.15pm). Children who are not collected by a parent/guardian at 1.30pm to go around the Fair will have an opportunity to visit the Fair with a member of staff, so please send them in with a small amount of money. **They will still need to be picked up promptly at 3.15pm.**

## 'Keeping Up With the Children, Maths, English and Computing' Course

Do you want to understand how your child learns Maths, English and computing at school these days?

Do you want to improve your own skills and your ability to help at home?

Family Learning is running a course at the Padstow School starting on Thursday 21st September 9-11am. for 10 weeks.

The course is free and aimed at anybody who is connected with a child at the school.

Why not come along for the first session to meet the tutor, and see how you get on?

We need at least 6 parents for the course to run so please take this opportunity to learn some new skills.

If you fancy it why not 'phone a friend' and come along together. Funding for child care may be available. For more information or to sign up, please contact course tutor Ian Barnes: e: [ian.barnes@cornwall-acl.ac.uk](mailto:ian.barnes@cornwall-acl.ac.uk) t: **07811 179 401.**

## Kidz 4 Cornwall Performance

The following letters are from Nicky Barnes and Helen Nicholls after 20 of our children performed at the Kidz for Cornwall show at the Hall for Cornwall on Tuesday night:

*"What an incredible evening we all had on Tuesday at the Hall for Cornwall. The children took to the stage and gave the most amazing performance. Making us all feel extremely proud of every single one of them! What a wonderful opportunity and experience. A great achievement that they will remember for a long time! Thank you Helen Nicholls and Jo Blackmore for all of your help with making this happen. And to all the parents for encouraging your child to take part and for being so supportive throughout rehearsals. Nicky Barnes"*

*"A massive thank you to Abi, Jocelyn, Archie, Mya, Jasmine, Ellie, Phoebe, Bailey, Elsie, Roxie, Lizzie, Poppy, Summer, Lillian, Riley, Seren, Dexter, Cali, Lola and Alfie who performed their 'We're all going on a summer holiday' dance so amazingly well on Tuesday night. It was a very long day and a very late night but we were so proud of them and the audience loved it. Their behaviour and attitude was absolutely great. They were a credit to the school. Helen Nicholls"*

On behalf of the children, parents and staff of Padstow School, we would like to thank Nicky and Helen for the hard work and dedication they put into organising this event. It was a fantastic opportunity for the children, one they are likely to remember for a long time.

