

Padstow School Newsletter

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We are looking forward to seeing your 'Plant a plant in an unusual container' entries for Padstow in Bloom

Please bring all entries in tomorrow morning ready for judging.

Alfie's Quest



Tuesday morning's assembly was delivered by one of our Year 5 pupils, Alfie. Alfie came up with the idea of wanting to raise some money to make someone's 16th birthday very special.

He put the idea to his friends who all willingly agreed to cycle the Camel Trail in fancy dress from Wadebridge to Padstow on **Saturday 22nd July**. The person he is doing this for is a boy named Christopher who is well known in Padstow. He suffers from Tetrasomy and therefore also suffers from epilepsy, learning difficulties and visual impairment, faltering growth and sleep difficulties. This affects his mobility which means Christopher uses a wheelchair. Christopher is a very courageous young man and this is what made Alfie decide he deserves an extra special 16th birthday.

All are welcome to join us and/or make a donation.

Meet in Wadebridge at 10.30am at the start of the Camel Trail.

FANCY DRESS!

Christopher will be in Padstow for the arrival of the cyclists. The Cornish Guardian will also be there.

Refreshments back at the Golden Lion, Padstow for everybody!

Alfie is hoping to raise enough money to buy Christopher a light & sound board which will help him with his coordination.

Go fund me link <https://www.gofundme.com/7mtY5w>

Aspiration Awards Deadline

Whether you have continued to work on your scrapbook from last term or started a new one you can start sending them into school now. The deadline for handing in books is Thursday 6th July. Assembly is Thursday 13th July.

Diary Dates

July:

6th—deadline for handing in Aspiration Awards

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:

4th—Spring term 1 begins

February:

6th—Safer Internet Day

12th–16th—Half Term

17th—Random Acts of Kindness Day

19th—Spring term 2 begins

March:

1st—World Book Day

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

29th—Half Term

June:

4th—Summer term 2 begins

July:

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

Outstanding Balances

At the moment we are busy chasing up outstanding balances, trying to finalise our accounts before the end of term. I think it is worth highlighting that we sent out over 70 messages to parents this week, for outstanding balances amounting to over £1000.

Many of these balances are small, but some are larger. Given the current funding situation for schools, we cannot carry these debts for long periods. We apologise if parents feel like we are harrying them, but it does take an inordinate amount of administrative time to keep chasing these debts.

From September, we will have an online payment system in place, which should make it easier for some parents, but for now, we would really appreciate parents coming in to settle these debts as soon as possible, so that the school can stop wasting administrative time unnecessarily.

We appreciate that some parents may have a real problem with paying off their debts. If this is the case, please make sure that you have booked an appointment to come in and see Mr Hill.

Mr Banks

Awesome Run



Well done to the staff of Padstow and St Minver schools who took part in the 5k ROC run in Truro on Tuesday evening. Despite getting rather wet they completed the course with big smiles on their faces. Proceeds of the race will help support vulnerable local people with learning disabilities.

Year 3 & 4 Residential Camp at Nine Ashes

Our Year 3 and 4 children set off for their residential camp at Nine Ashes, just outside Wadebridge today. They will have 2 days of adventurous and exciting activities and one night of camping in tents. The children will have the opportunity, weather permitting, to test their climbing skills to the limit, be a champion of the zip wire, track animals at night in the woods, show off their agility on the low ropes, zoom around in pedal cars, impress their friends with their piece for the talent show, and enjoy songs around the campfire (or a disco in the barn if it is wet).

Summer Fayre Meeting Update

A huge thank you to those of you who took the opportunity to come along to discuss the organisation of the Summer Fayre after school on Tuesday. Your enthusiasm is a great encouragement.

We cannot run a summer or Christmas Fayre if we do not get support from parents and friends. Fayre's are a fantastic way to raise money for the school which can make a very real difference to the children, but they do take a certain amount of organising and that is why we need your help.

We are still in need of volunteers to help man the stalls. If you can manage a half hour slot, please do let us know as soon as possible.

Many thanks.

Sports Round-Up

Last Thursday some of our Year 6 children took part in a Rounders Festival at Wadebridge School. They had one hour of skills where they practiced their throwing, catching and the rules of rounders. For the second hour they played friendly games against other schools. The children worked well as a team and thoroughly enjoyed the event.



On Tuesday many of our junior children took part in the Wadebridge Area District Sports– all children were fantastic and gave the other schools a good run for their money, despite the horrible rain! Falina and Sam both won medals for coming first in their events. Falina in the 200m and Sam in the 200m and the 800m. Lots of children finishing in 2nd or 3rd place and just missing out on a medal. They represented the school brilliantly and were cheering each other along throughout the afternoon.

Miss Dickson

Scooter Days: Mon: Year 3 | Tues: Year 4 | Weds: Infants | Thurs: Year 5 | Fri: Year 6