Padstow School Newsletter Friday 6th November 2020



#### **Diary Dates**

#### November

- 10 Individual photographs
- 11 Remembrance Day
- 13 Joe Wicks' PE workout for BBC Children in Need

ATTENDANCE								
	Puffin	Lapwing	Kittiwake	Oystercatcher	Cormorant	Curlew		School
								average
	98.2%	100%	100%	98.4%	98.7%	95.9%		98.3%
If you are booking a holiday, please make sure that it coincides with school breaks. Snowflake the Attendance Owl will this week be shared between TWO classes who have both achieved full attendance: Lapwing & Kittiwake!								



## Plans for Christmas 2020

This year, our plans for celebrating Christmas at Padstow School will inevitably need to look different from previous years. Covid restrictions mean that we cannot mix different classes and so 'whole school' events cannot take place. However, we are organizing a whole range of suitable events and activities to ensure that the children still experience a memorable lead-up to Christmas this year.

In the first week of December, all of the classes will be decorating our school Christmas tree with their hand-made decorations (they will then bring home at the end of term).

Reception and Key Stage 1 staff are busy drawing up plans for Christmas performances, which we hope to make visible to parents via the wonder of technology! (more details to follow on this)

Our Key Stage 2 team are also busying themselves with ideas of appropriate Christmas-themed creative activities and performances and we shall update you on these plans when we can.

This year, we will be containing the majority of our Christmas celebrations and activities in the last week of term, starting on Monday 14th December. It is imperative this academic year that we maximise teaching time, in order for the children to catch up on missed school days earlier this year, so we hope you will agree that this is a priority. This last week of term will be brimming with festive fun:

Mon 14th December & Tuesday 15th December

Christmas craft days & Christmas English & Maths

Wednesday 16th December

Thursday 17th December

Christmas Dinner\*

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Christmas Jumper Day\*\*

Friday 18th December

Last day of term, 1.30pm finish.

\* We are just finalizing the menu for this year's Christmas Dinner and will be asking parents to tell us whether their child is eating lunch that day and which menu option they would like, so that we can order the food.

\*\* Our Christmas Jumper Day is 17th December in order to keep all festive activities to the last week of term. We will be collecting donations for Save the Children via ParentPay, but this is optional and not a requirement for your child to wear a Christmas jumper that day.



#### Remembrance Day

It is Remembrance Day on Wednesday next week. At the beginning of the week all of the children will be making poppies that will be displayed in our Remembrance Garden on the 11th November. Look out for them as you walk through the school grounds. We shall also observe a 2 minute silence at 11.00am that day to pay our respects.





You will have received a letter by email earlier today regarding our participation in the BBC's Children in Need event next Friday, 13th November. All children should come to school in PE kit on Friday 13th ready to take part in a live Joe Wicks workout, as the final few minutes of his 24-hour PE challenge. If you would like to support the charity then you can donate on ParentPay, but there is no requirement to do so, all children will take part in the PE event regardless. It should be a fun morning!

#### Cormorant class making castles

As part of their study of the year 1066 and learning about castles in Medieval and Norman times, Cormorant class stretched their engineering and creative skills this week designing and building castles!













Mr Taylor judged this castle to be the winning design!



### Pupil Reports & Parent Teacher meetings

Brief school reports written by the class teachers will be coming home with children on Monday next week. These will replace the Parent Teacher meetings that we would usually hold in the Autumn Term that cannot take place due to Covid 19 restrictions. The reports will talk about how each child has settled into school after the first half-term and may include some areas your child needs to practise at home, eg reading five times a week, practising multiplication tables, etc.

Once you have received the report, you will have the opportunity to book a 10 minute slot for a telephone call to discuss anything in this report or any other concerns you may have.

Padstow School Show respect & good Follow instructions with Care for everyone & e	manners at all times thought & care	Padstow School Values: Aspiration, Spirit, Passion, Integrity, Resilience & Excellence			
Padstow Golden Ru for this week are:	ule certificate winners	Padstow School Value certificate winners for this week are:			
Puffin class	Macy	Puffin class	Sebby		
Lapwing class	Beatrice	Lapwing class	Harry		
Kittiwake class	Ailla-Grace	Kittiwake class	Caelin		
Oystercatcher class	(both values winners)	Oystercatcher class	Max R & Evie		
Cormorant class	Reuben	Cormorant class	Anola		
Curlew class	Harlyn	Curlew class	Constance		

### Mrs Whitford's Certificates

This week Mrs Whitford is presenting certificates to the following pupils:

Poppy in Curlew class, for being very brave

Caelin in Kittiwake class and Reuben in Cormorant class, for settling into school well

Jago in Oystercatcher class, for always greeting me with a smile!



## Super Six badges awarded!

Mr Emery is delighted to award the first Super Six badges of this academic year to the following pupils:

#### Mya, Cali & Kegan.

These badges can be earned by Year 6 pupils who have met a list of criteria that are displayed in their classroom. The list includes: always following the Padstow School rules, showing good manners & being polite, always trying to improve your work and meet your full potential, being organized and independent and always handing in their homework. Being a Super Six pupil comes with certain privileges, such as: extra Green Time on a Friday, wearing non-uniform on the last day of each half term and permission to spend one lunch break per week quietly in the classroom.

Throughout the year, more Super Sixer badges will be awarded to Year 6 pupils who demonstrate that they are also excellent role models for the school.

### Individual photographs on Tuesday

A reminder that Harlequin Photography will be visiting school on Tuesday next week to take individual photographs of each child. He will be adhering to social distancing guidelines and wearing PPE. Children will be photographed individually in a standing pose, without siblings, one class at a time. A few days after this, children will be given a leaflet with an unique code that you can use to order prints online should you wish. Please ensure children are smart and ready for their photograph that day!

Puffin class

This week, Puffin class have been learning about fireworks and Bonfire Night and creating artwork

inspired by fireworks! They have also made the most of the sunshine by exploring the woodland area.











This year Nadelik Lowen won't be going ahead as normal, however we are still running our tree of lights fund-raiser. All money raised will be donated to the Padstow Lights Committee to help keep the town shining through out the festive period.

The tree of lights gives everyone in the town an opportunity to have a message or dedication displayed alongside the tree on the bandstand.



To get your message on the Tree of Lights, visit our Facebook page **@nadeliklowen.padstow** and follow the link to Just Giving. Or email: **nadeliklowen.padstow@gmail.com** 

Deadline for messages: 9th November.

### PTFA AGM reminder

Just to remind you that our PTFA are holding their Annual General Meeting via Zoom on **Friday 13th November at 2pm.** 

Please see the following pages for more details & the nomination form. Printed copies are available at the office.

If you would like an invitation to the Zoom meeting, please send your email address to:

hello@padstowschool.org and we will email you the meeting link.

## Truro High School

Parents of girls in Years 5 & 6 are invited to two Virtual Open Days being held by Truro High School on Thursday 19th November at 6pm and Saturday 21st November at 9.30am.

# PARENTS, TEACHERS AND FRIENDS OF PADSTOW SCHOOL



# **Annual General Meeting**



Dear Parents,

#### The PTFA Annual General Meeting (AGM)

We would like to give notice of the AGM of the PTFA to be held on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2020. This will be held via Zoom at 2 pm and all are welcome. If you would like an emailed invitation, please provide your email address to hello@padstowschool.org.

The PTFA plays a vital part in the school community and all parents, as members of the PTFA, are invited to support the AGM. This is your chance to hear and see how the funds you have helped to raise have been used for the benefit of the children/students at our school.

The AGM is also an opportunity for you to elect the PTFA Committee, who represent the association throughout the forthcoming year. Nominations should be sent in advance of the AGM for anyone wishing to stand as an Officer or Ordinary Committee Member, for the first time. Existing committee members wishing to stand for re-election do not have to be nominated again but should inform the PTFA of their intention to stay in their role.

If you would like any further information about being a Committee Member, please speak to Tash Puckey, Rebecca Smith or Helen Edwards.

Please return the slips below as soon as possible, or by 9<sup>th</sup> November 2020 at the latest to Emma Sanders at the school office.

We look forward to seeing you on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2020 online!

Kind regards,

Helen Edwards, Secretary, PTFA.

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I/We shall/shall not be attending the AGM via Zoom on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November

Signed .....

Print Name .....

#### NOMINATION FOR OFFICER/MEMBER OF THE PTFA COMMITTEE

Nominee .....

For position of: Chair/Secretary/Treasurer/Other Officer/Ordinary Committee Member [Circle one]

Nominated by	Seconded by				
[Please sign and print name]	[Please sign and print name]				
I (nominee name) agree to my nomination for the position of					
Signed	Date				