



Diary Dates

December

- 14 & 15 Christmas-themed crafts & lessons
- 16 Christmas Lunch
- 17 Christmas Jumper Day
- 18 Last day of term, 1.30 finish.

ATTENDANCE

Puffin	Lapwing	Kittiwake	Oystercatcher	Cormorant	Curlew		School average
95.9%	100%	96.9%	97.7%	99.7%	95.2%		97.6%

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



Snowflake the Attendance Owl is again awarded to **Lapwing class** who have achieved full attendance this week!

Thank you to the PTFA for classroom resources!



Padstow School PTFA recently paid for a gift of outdoor toys: a giant bubble set and two space hoppers for each class! The children have wasted no time in getting out into the sunshine and having fun with them!

Thank you so much to our wonderfully supportive PTFA (and the parents and extended family and friends who donate their money and time to their fundraising events) -

it makes a huge difference to the pupils to have extra resources such as these and their new outdoor classroom!



Christmas Lunch, Wednesday 16th December



A reminder of the menu for this year's Christmas Lunch! Children in Puffin, Lapwing and Kittiwake classes will receive their meal free of charge, as part of universal FSM. Children in KS2 pay the usual charge of £2.35 (except for FSM children), to be paid by ParentPay. We will assume ALL children in the school will be having Christmas lunch, so if you DO NOT wish for your child to have the meal please email or ring the school by **Friday 4th December** to let us know. Thanks.

Christmas Jumper Day, Thursday 17th December



A reminder that we are celebrating Christmas Jumper Day on Thursday 17th December rather than the official date of the Save the Children event, as we are keen to contain our festive celebrations in the last week of term this year.

Children are encouraged to wear Christmas-themed jumpers on that day (the remainder of their clothing should be normal school uniform), but there is no need to buy new jumpers, use old / recycled / home-decorated jumpers. Donations can be made on ParentPay, but there is no requirement to donate at all.



Jack & the Beanstalk Pantomime

As you will have read in the letter emailed home earlier this week, we have arranged an extra Christmas treat for all of the classes during Christmas week this year: the children will all be watching an online Pantomime!

We have booked to stream the performance of 'Jack and the Beanstalk' - it looks like it will be a fantastic show! If you would like to watch the trailer and find out more information, please visit :

<https://pantoonline.co.uk>

In order to cover the cost of the pantomime, we are asking for a donation of £1 per child please, to be paid on ParentPay by Thursday 10th December (you will see the payment item listed as 'Jack & the Beanstalk Online Panto'). The school will cover the remainder of the cost. If you do not have a ParentPay account set up yet and don't have your password letter, please ring or email the office and we can provide a replacement letter so that you can sign up. We hope that you agree this is an exciting opportunity for the children to watch a professional pantomime from the safety and comfort of their class – do encourage the children to watch the trailer and we think they will look forward to it too!

Image consents

A reminder that if you received an email from the school on Thursday last week regarding updating the consents you give for us to take and share images of your child, we need you to please log into Arbor (either via the App, if you have it, or their website <https://login.arbor.sc/>) and you will see the 6 image-use statements on the front page, under 'notices'. Click on each one in turn and tap 'consent' or 'decline' as you wish—this will only take 30 seconds once you are logged in! If you are unable to access Arbor then please ring the school and we can talk you through the statements and get verbal consent. **Please complete this TODAY if you haven't done so already. Thank you to the many parents who have now confirmed their consent status.** (Parents with children in Puffin or Lapwing class or children who have joined the school this academic year do not need to re-submit their consents for those children).

Padstow School Golden Rules:

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

Padstow Golden Rule certificate winners for this week are:

Puffins: **Sonny**, for caring for everyone & everything

Lapwings: **Hollie**, for showing respect & good manners

Kittiwakes: **Ailla-Grace**, for caring for everyone & everything

Oystercatchers: **Elise**, for following instructions with thought & care

Cormorants: **Cerys**, for caring for everyone & everything

Curlews: **Kegan**, for following instructions with thought & care

Padstow School Values:

Aspiration, Spirit, Passion, Integrity, Resilience & Excellence

Padstow School Value certificate winners for this week are:

Puffins: **Effie**, for Resilience

Lapwings: **Dawson**, for Aspiration

Kittiwakes: **Daisy**, for Resilience

Oystercatchers: **Matthew**, for Resilience

Cormorants: **Leah**, for Excellence

Curlews: **Freya**, for Aspiration

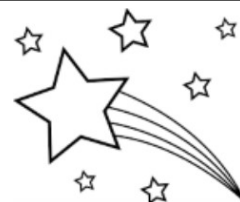
Mrs Whitford's Certificates

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

Amber, Curlew class, for being very grown-up and considerate every morning helping a younger child.

Elijah, Cormorant class, for being very grown-up and a good friend.

Suzie, Oystercatcher class, for working incredibly hard.



Cornwall Virtual Winter Games

As you may be aware, the virtual version of the annual Cornwall Winter Games school sports competition has been running recently. All of our classes took part in various events and we submitted the points online. The results are now in and we did well despite a lot of schools across Cornwall taking part. Congratulations to Oystercatcher class who were awarded Silver in the overall combined scores for KS2 year 3/4 classes!

Nits

Please be vigilant at home for any signs of nits and treat if necessary—they are unfortunately present in some of our classes again. Nits love clean hair and heads touching each other, so it's the season to be jolly careful with hair styles and make sure that any hair of shoulder length or longer is always tied back please. Thank you.

Blackbird Pie online magazine

Here is a link to the winter issue of Blackbird Pie online magazine:

<https://blackbirdreads.turtl.co/story/cornwallchristmas2020>

Despite everything, there are festive things to see and do this year, from glittering gardens lit with myriad lights to light-hearted theatre shows. Everyone has gone to great lengths to make things as Covid-safe as possible. If you are interested, you can subscribe so they can send you a link to the next issue.