



Diary Dates

January

w/c 10th Oystercatcher class swimming
w/c 17th Cormorant class swimming

February

17th Last day of Spring Term 1
18th Inset day
21st-25th Half Term
28th First day of Spring Term 2

ATTENDANCE

Puffin	Kittiwake	Oystercatcher	Cormorant	Curlew	Average
97.9%	96.1%	93.8%	98.6%	93.3%	95.9%

Snowflake the Attendance Owl is awarded to Cormorant class this week, as they have achieved the highest attendance!



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

Welcome back!

It has been a pleasure to welcome the children back to school and nursery this week after what we hope was a relaxing and fun Christmas holiday. Thank you for continuing to adhere to the guidelines on the school site to keep everyone as safe as possible. We are excited for another term of learning, working hard, having fun and building friendships. Particular highlights include Oystercatcher class swimming next week and Cormorant class the following week, the re-starting of some hub sports events later in the term and BikeAbility sessions for upper key stage 2 in March.

This term's after-school clubs for our school pupils are being finalised and the letter will come home early next week for you to book teacher-led clubs via Arbor.

Here's to another successful and busy term!

Mrs Whitford, Head of School.

Aspire website: Covid page

A reminder that the Aspire Academy Trust web page 'Coronavirus (Covid-19)' contains the latest guidance on all things Covid-related and is a great resource if you have a query as it is kept constantly updated. You can find it here: [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) - The Aspire Academy Trust](#)

Aspire Admission arrangements 2023-2024 consultation

In accordance with the School Admissions Regulations 2012 and the School Admissions Code 2021, the Directors of Aspire Academy Trust (AAT) are consulting on their proposed admission arrangements for the 2023/24 school year with regard to the academies within the Trust.

Information on the consultation can be viewed on our School website under links and downloads or Aspire Academy Trust website (www.aspireacademytrust.org) under school admissions.

More fabulous readers!

Cormorant class are still reaping the rewards of their focus on independent reading this year, with another 6 certificates awarded this week.

Well done children—your love of reading will take you far!



We have received this thank-you poster from Children in Need in recognition of the money that was raised by the children in school and nursery 'dressing posh for dosh' in November! Thank you to all those who donated.



Inappropriate YouTube videos & online games

Further to our mention of the character Huggy Wuggy in a newsletter before the holidays, we would like to flag this up again: the sinister 'teddy bear' character is from a PC game called Poppy Playtime, a horror video game featuring frightening images and themes. Although children won't be able to play the game itself unless they have paid for and downloaded it, there are multiple YouTube videos featuring content from the game and copy-cat games on the internet.

A number of parents nationally have warned that this character is giving their child nightmares having watched the YouTube clips. We wanted to make you aware and if you would like to read anything further, do read this online safety review: [Poppy Playtime: Online Safety Review - Safer Schools](#)

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:

Puffin: **Oliver C**, for following instructions
Kittiwake: **Luca**, for showing respect & good manners
Oystercatcher: **Lucas**, for caring for everyone & everything
Cormorant: **Max**, for showing respect & good manners
Curlew: **Phoebe**, for caring for everyone & everything

Padstow School Values:

Aspiration, Spirit, Passion, Integrity, Resilience & Excellence

Padstow School Value certificate winners for this week are:

Puffin: **Ruan**, for Excellence
Kittiwake: **John**, for Resilience
Oystercatcher: **Joseph**, for Integrity
Cormorant: **Archie**, for Spirit
Curlew: **Anola**, for Spirit

Mrs Whitford's Certificates



This week Mrs Whitford presented certificates to the following pupils:

Joseph in Oystercatcher class, for caring for everyone and everything (being very kind to his friends)
Phoebe in Curlew class, for showing respect and good manners
Beau in Puffin class, for excellence (a super piece of writing)



Stars of the Week!



In order to recognize the improvements in the key skills of reading, writing and maths, the teachers will be awarding a Star of the Week certificate for each of these in every class.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Reading Star</u>	<u>Writing Star</u>	<u>Maths Star</u>
Puffin	Lola	William	Caiden
Kittiwake	Branoc	Dougie	Dora
Oystercatcher	-	Lily J	Jago
Cormorant	Olivia	Evie	Reuben
Curlew	Taylor	Leonni	Sam