



School Attendance

Attendance across the whole school this week (excluding Puffin class as they were still attending part-time as part of their starting school transition) was **94.1%**. Predictably there have been some instances of coughs & colds as the children return to school; please use the guidance here to identify when children can continue to attend school and when they need to be kept home in isolation. Also attached to today's newsletter email is a document with more detailed guidance about pupil absence relating to Covid-19. We hope this is helpful.



New outdoor classroom completed!



This week saw the completion of the new outdoor classroom build. A few PTFA committee members came into school yesterday to look at the finished project and they have the following message:

We are so excited to see the outdoor classroom completed, and glad that it will provide the school with a bit of extra space when they need it most!

We could not have got here without the support of many members of the PTFA over the last few years especially Rachele Allen, Joanne Barber, Ester Barnes,

Charlotte Farley, Vanessa Gosbee, Becky Green, Rebecca Harris, Cam Hughes, Tegen Knight, Michele McNamara, Tash Puckey and Nina Reskelly, plus help from Mrs Edwards.

Also to all those who we have begged to help at fairs and events again and again and who have stepped up and been absolutely invaluable members of the team, we cannot thank you all enough for your time and support.

We also need to thank our fabulous children (and those of our brilliant volunteers) who never really get to enjoy events properly as they always have to help out on stalls! Likewise to other halves/grandparents etc who have to pick up the slack so that we can spend days in meetings, making cakes, collecting raffle prizes, running stalls, setting up and tidying away etc, we wouldn't be able to do any of this without their time and understanding.

But we would not have raised any money without the support of all the parents at school, for paying for discos, what's in the box, hot chocolate, tea towels etc. Thank you all for every single penny!

Lastly to our fabulous local businesses who have kindly donated raffle prizes for all our school fairs, plus additional donations from Padstow Town Council, Padstow Holiday Park, Padstow Touring Park and Dennis Cove Campsite. With an extra big thank you to Toby Lobb and all the Fisherman's Friends, we would not have been able to do this without you.

The staff and children of Padstow School are very grateful to have such a supportive, hard-working PTFA and this new addition to the school will be a well-loved asset for many years to come.

This morning in school

As a little insight into our school day, this morning Mrs Whitford visited each classroom at 10 o'clock and watched all of the classes working hard. Here are some photos:



Read Write Inc sessions with Lapwing and Kittiwake classes



Puffin class



Cormorant class

Oystercatcher class



Curlew class



Padstow School Golden Rules:

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

Padstow Golden Rule certificate winners for this week are:

Puffin class	Isabella
Lapwing class	Tyson
Kittiwake class	Orlando
Oystercatcher class	Maks R
Cormorant class	(both values winners)
Curlew class	Harry

Padstow School Values:

Aspiration, Spirit, Passion, Integrity, Resilience & Excellence

Padstow School Value certificate winners for this week are:

Puffin class	Sonny
Lapwing class	Kitty
Kittiwake class	Delwyn
Oystercatcher class	Amelia
Cormorant class	Zoe & Olivia
Curlew class	Sophie

Mrs Whitford's Certificates

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

Ben in Lapwing class, for being very grown up and brave coming into school!

Ailla-Grace & Sadie in Kittiwake class, for being very helpful when I was on duty and kept forgetting things!



Amended Term Dates for this academic year

Today you should all receive a printed copy of the Term Dates for this academic year. We have had to make one change from the version we circulated before and that is that we have had to add 2 more teacher training days, on **Monday 4th January 2021** and **Friday 23rd July 2021**. The reason for this is that we had teacher training sessions planned for the beginning of this term, 3rd & 4th September, which we had to postpone as these two days were used to prepare the school, classrooms and staff for the Covid-19 procedures and layouts. Therefore, two more days are needed later in the year in which to complete the required training for all teachers each year. This is the same across all Aspire schools this academic year.

Up-to-date Contact details and online access

Please can we remind everyone to ensure that we have your correct contact details at all times, especially email addresses and telephone numbers. It is always important that we can contact you should we need to, and we are increasingly using email as a form of sending out information.

In the next few days we will be emailing out a reminder to all parents and carers with your child's Google login details. We would like to ensure everyone continues to log on regularly, both to access elements of your child's homework and to keep everyone skilled up in order to support any future need for home learning. A login will be created for our new children in Puffin class and older classes too.

Once you have the email, these login details can be used to log into Wonde, the portal where you can access websites such as Google Classroom and Times Tables Rockstars, using the 'login with Google' option. The easiest way to find the Wonde portal is to go to the Padstow School website and click on the 'Child Login' button on the right hand side. As always, we can provide support via hello@padstowschool.org or 01841 532510 if needed.

Cornwall Council parenting course information

Cornwall Council have forwarded information to schools for distribution to their parents and carers regarding online parenting course that are available free of charge.

The courses follow the Solihull Approach, which was developed by psychologists, psychotherapists, health visitors and NHS and education professionals to support emotional health and well-being in the early years and up to adulthood through training.

Online courses are free for parents, grandparents and carers living in Cornwall, the Isles of Scilly, Devon, Plymouth and Torbay.

If you would like further information, please go to the Cornwall Council website using the following link:

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/childrens-services/childrens-community-health/free-online-parenting-courses-the-solihull-approach/#section-0>