

St Levan Primary School
where all children SHINE...for life

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Dear families,

The stormy weather this week definitely did not deter us from our enjoyment of the outdoors and our learning - Choughs walked up to the playing fields to enhance their geography field studies, showing they understood the different symbols on a map with some excellent aerial drawing skills.



Many thanks to everyone in attendance for our parent phonics session yesterday morning. It was so wonderful to see so many of you joining in with how our early reading teaching works and of course you all now know who 'Fred' is! We will be holding another session later in the year and many of you have requested access to the Read Write Inc sounds videos but if you have any further questions about reading, please do not hesitate to speak to us at school.

On Friday of last week, we all had the pleasure of watching a string quartet perform at St Buryan Church with a fantastically wide range of music, which together illustrated some of our building blocks of our music curriculum, including rhythm, pitch, dynamics, texture. It was a wonderful experience for our children to take part in; the children asked many interesting questions and were visibly intrigued by many aspects of being a musician.



On Monday of next week, Puffins will play the role that many of our Cornish ancestors played by 'going underground' at Geevor mine. It will be such an enriching visit that will bring their learning truly to life.

Head teachers award –

Celeste – for your determination in swimming lessons and at running club. You have started the year really well – well done!

Taya – For your sheer enthusiasm for school! Every minute of the day you are smiling!

Attendance (YTD)

- Whole school = 92%
- Choughs = 87%
- Puffins = 93%

Choughs - Geography fieldwork

We visited St Levan Field to put our learning into action. We talked about what human/physical geographical features we could see (cricket pavilion, trees, goal posts etc.) and then used what we'd learned about aerial views to draw a map of the field.

Some of us used symbols and a key!



Super Puffin Scientists!

Puffins have been extremely busy investigating the properties of different rocks. They completed an acid test, permeability test, and a hardness test to help them sort rocks in different ways.

We also tested which rocks floated. Everything sank except pumice!





Marvellous Music at St Buryan Church with IMS!

On Friday 22nd September 2023, we were treated to a fantastic concert by a group of string players. We got to enjoy classic works such as Shostakovich's String Quartet No. 8 in C Minor and then more modern pieces such as Jessie Montgomery's Voodoo Dolls.

"It was really fun and amazing to see live music performed in St Buryan Church!" SA

"I liked that it was classical music because we haven't heard as much of that!" CH

"The wartime piece was amazing because it was fast and exciting. It was great fun to listen to!" AS

"I liked the instruments they were using." SB

"I liked doing the singing best!" FN