



# ST LEVAN PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents/carers,

I just wanted to say 'Hello' to you all as I begin to get to grips with behind the scenes at St Levan.

Although we are in unusual times, I have been made very welcome by staff and governors, at a safe distance of course! It is obvious what a close, caring community you have here.

Letters to children and keep in touch phone calls were well received. Please find a list of useful bits and pieces on this bulletin, some of which may apply to you, some may not. I think it is true to say that we are now working towards as normal a start for September as will be possible. There will be more information specifically about this in our next bulletin as we receive further guidance .

I have put next year's terms and inset dates that we know about so far for your diaries.

Thank you for all the high quality work you have been doing, it is great to see all the examples coming in.

I look forward to meeting you and your children.

**Diane Blackie**

Interim Head Teacher

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Dear Parents/carers,

We hope you are all keeping well as things begin to move towards what is being described as the 'new normal'.

Here at St Levan the teachers continue to set work regularly and are enjoying responding on an individual basis by email as your children engage with these tasks.

Also this week Miss Finch and Miss Ferguson have been phoning around to see how you all are and what else you have been doing - they have really enjoyed hearing about your lockdown adventures. Don't worry if you haven't heard from them yet you were probably outside - we have sent a text message to those we missed.

We are also all working very hard to prepare for our Year 6 partial return on the 6th July which we are all looking forward to.

Many thanks for your continued support.

**Sharon Brolly**

Chair of Governors

## **TERM DATES 2020-2021**

*(Inset Days—3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> September, 3 further inset days TBC)*

### **Autumn Term 1**

7<sup>th</sup> September – 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2020  
(Half Term 26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> October 2020)

### **Autumn Term 2**

2<sup>nd</sup> November – 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020

### **Spring Term 1**

4<sup>th</sup> January – 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021  
(Half Term 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> February 2021)

### **Spring Term 2**

22<sup>nd</sup> February – 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021

### **Summer Term 1**

19<sup>th</sup> April – 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021  
(Half Term 31<sup>st</sup> May – 4<sup>th</sup> June 2021)

### **Summer Term 2**

7<sup>th</sup> June – 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2021

## **Royal National Lifeboat Institution**



Throughout the summer term, trained volunteers and Lifeguards visit as many schools as possible. However, due to the recent situation they have not been able to engage with school communities as they normally would. Please check the school website for some very useful links regarding water safety and the Beach Safety Campaign.

## **Summer Reading Challenge**

You can find out more details about this year's 'Silly Squad' challenge and get involved by visiting:

**[www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk](http://www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk)**

There is more information in the English Project Folder on the school website.



## **Recent correspondence:**

- Year 6 return to school letter
- New intake transition pack
- Cards from teachers to pupil
- Outstanding lunch/breakfast club money email
- Summer Reading Challenge/BorrowBox email

## **Free School Meals**

If your circumstances have changed due to COVID-19, you may now be able to claim Free School Meals, click here for further information:

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/school-meals/>

If you are currently receiving the Free School Meal eCode Vouchers, please rest assured these will continue over the summer holidays.

## **The Explorer book report:**

For people who enjoyed the drama students I recommend The Explorer, by Katherine Rundell.

A boy called Fred is on his way back from Brazil in a plane when they crash in the rainforest. Everyone dies or so Fred thinks until he meets a girl called Con and another girl called Lila and her brother Max. When they are in the rainforest they find a sloth. They keep it and call it Abuckashie and Buck-a for short. Abuckashie means pineapple in Portuguese. They're exploring, when they find a tobacco pouch near a bees nest, and inside it has a map. They build a raft and follow the map down stream until they come to a cliff and climb it. At the top of the cliff they find an abandoned city, except it is not completely abandoned because there is one man who lives there now. They learn to fish and to make traps but when Max gets ill they take the plane that the Explorer flew in and had been fixing. They take it to Manals and go home to England and Fred becomes an explorer. Con comes every holiday and stays with Fred.

### **Quotes:**

My favourite bit was when they met the Explorer because I didn't know what was going to happen next and I didn't know what sort of character he is -**Elyssa**

My favourite bit was when they got the honey it wasn't too scary and I learned a lot- **Sadie**

I liked it because it was exciting and I would recommend it for year two and above. My favourite bit was when they learnt to fish – **Lailani**

The author is Cathrine Rundell and she wrote wolf wilder , Rooftoppers and many more. We got this audio book through 'BorrowBox' so just download the app if you want to listen to it -**Lailani**



Nathan's brilliant Forest Floor Institute backpack, taking a bark rubbing and great ideas for how we might be able to live if there was no electricity!



Worksheet 1: Can you help us work out how to live without electricity?  
Thanks for the help again St. Levan! We need you to look around your house and make a list of everything you use electricity for. TVs, kettles, ovens, fireplaces, anything!  
Then try come up with some ideas of how we could do these things without electricity.  
Thanks for the help!

We use electricity for...	How could we do this without electricity?
Lights	use candle
vacuum cleaner	use a dustpan and brush
dish washer	use the sink
bath	use a campfire
oven	use a campfire
phone	send letters
kettle	use fire
radio	make your own music
TV	read the newspaper
computer	look at books



Poor Florrie has taken a tumble from her pony and hurt her elbow with a break and a dislocation. Here she is with her cast. She is now thankfully on the mend. We all wish you a speedy recovery Florrie!



Here are Rufus and Tildy's chocolate bar wrapper designs





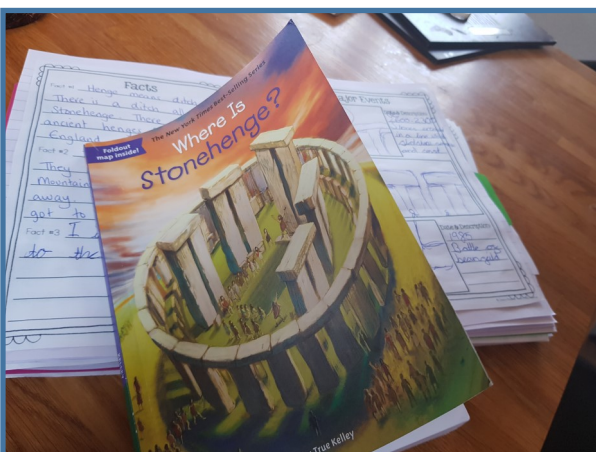
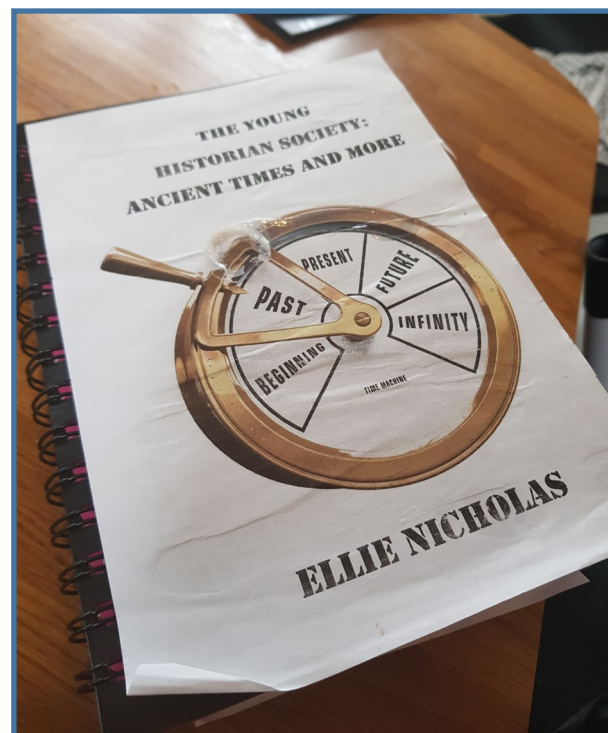
'Ellie has been learning about Ancient History online by attending a book club. It all sounds really interesting! Looking forward to hearing about everything you have learnt about when we get back to school Ellie!'

"For the past few weeks I have been taking part in a book club called 'The Young Historian Society: Ancient Times and More'. Each week we read a book, write up about what we have learned - facts, events, important things, quotes, character traits and a reflection and then discuss the book with a teacher and other children from around the world.

So far I have read about Pompeii, Alexander the Great, the Parthenon and Stonehenge. My next book is about The Great Wall of China and i will also be reading about Machu Picchu and Genghis Khan before we break up for summer.

My favourite book so far has been about Pompeii and I would now like to visit the place. But I would also like to visit the ancient Greek sites too.

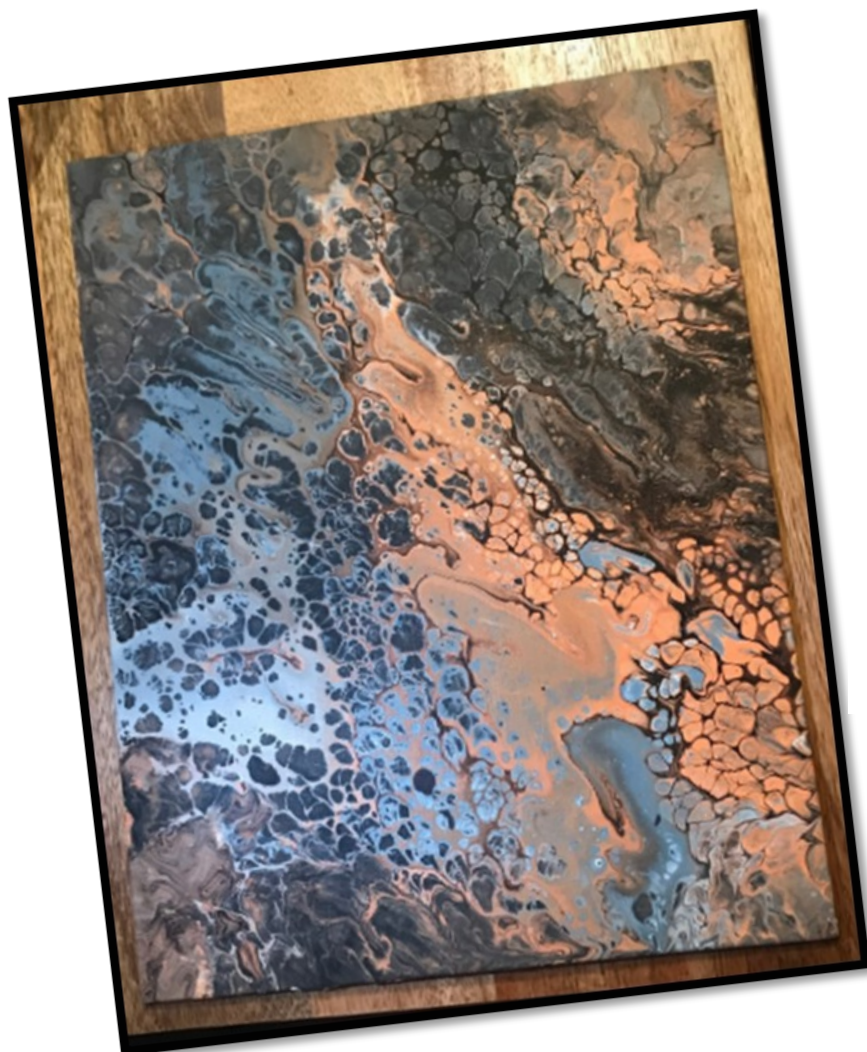
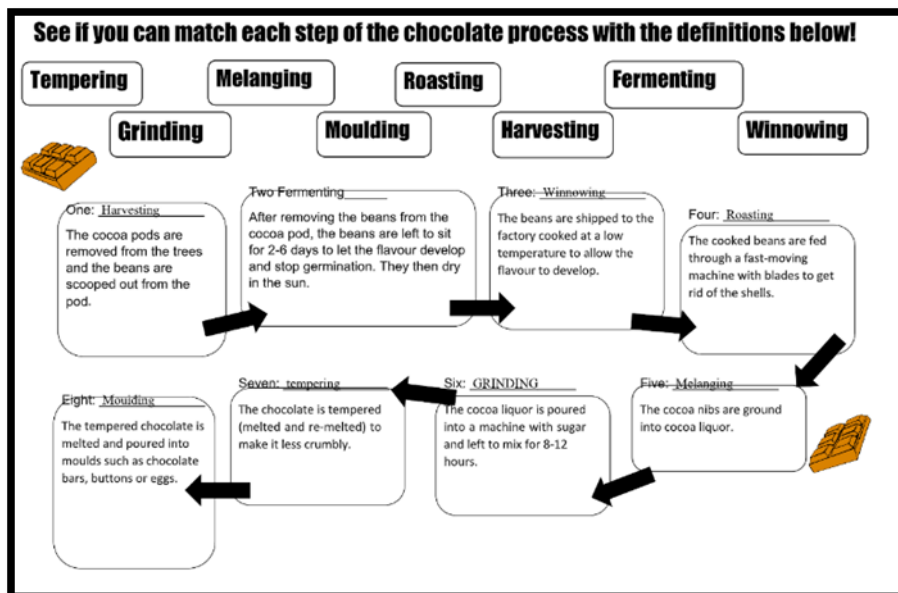
I am really enjoying the book club and it makes me read every day so I have finished the book in time!"



Here is Will's learning on how chocolate is made.

He has also created an amazing forest creature called a Nobley.

Nobleys eat piranhas and live in the canopy layer of rainforests.



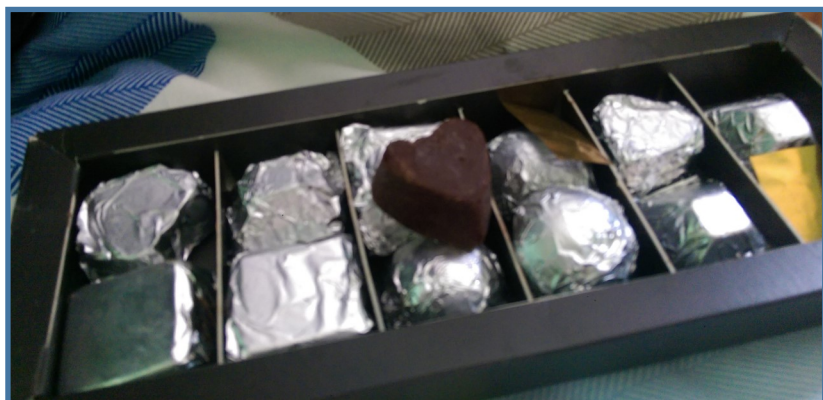
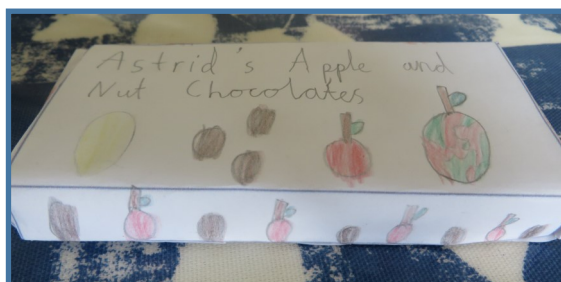
Lovely art by Lili.

She has named this piece  
Colours of emotion.

Beautiful work Lili!



# Learning from Chocolate Week with the drama students.....





Some fantastic examples of outdoor learning.....



Astrid made a bug house and wormery.



Calum made a bird box and feeder.



Morvy went snorkelling.

