



# ST LEVAN PRIMARY SCHOOL



BULLETIN 5 8TH OCTOBER 2021

## Communications

### Email/letter:

- Health Information Booklet - Year 6 pupils
- Health Information Booklet - Reception pupil
- Cape Cornwall School Super Saturday - Year 4, 5 & 6

### Text:

- Head teacher interview

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

### **Mon 11th October**

Tempest Photography, 9.00am (individual and sibling photos)

### **Tues 12th October**

Choughs' Old toys sharing afternoon

### **Weds 20th October**

Puffins' Porthcurno Telegraph Museum trip (letter to follow)

### **Fri 22nd October**

Inset Day—school closed

### **Mon 25th—Fri 29th October**

Autumn half term

### **Week beginning 1st November**

Parents' meetings online

### **Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> December**

Christmas Production

### **Mon 20th December—Wed 5th January**

Christmas holidays

## Friday 8th October 2021

It is always such a treat to look at children's books. This week I have had the pleasure of reading Choughs' finished stories about their own bear hunts with beautiful handwriting and illustrations too! It is staggering the volume and quality of work already produced across the school. The detailed marking and responses from the children all enhance the learning process. Thank you teachers, you are marvellous!

We have planned our parents' meetings for the first week after half term. These will be online once again and we look forward to sharing your child's progress with you.

**Diane Blackie - Interim Head Teacher**

Dear Parents,

I am delighted to inform you that following a full day at interview which included teaching, a Student Council interview, a presentation and a formal interview we have appointed Mr Mark Francis as our **new Head Teacher** here at St Levan. Mr Francis is originally from Cornwall and taught at Sennen School before moving to Hampshire where he has been the Interim Head of 2 Schools gaining an Outstanding in their Ofsted Report. As well as bringing Headship experience he has a specialism in Maths and PE but showed us throughout the day that he puts creativity at the heart of the curriculum.

He will take up the post from January 2022 but I know he will be looking for opportunities to join us for events where possible before that.

All of the staff and full Governing Body are looking forward to the next chapter in the life of the St Levan School community.

Yours sincerely,

**Sharon Brolly - Chair of Governors**

## ATTENDANCE

Good attendance is vital for learning. The national minimum expectation is set at 96%. Please help us achieve this and support your child's learning.

### **Attendance to the end of September:**

Choughs 93.1%

Puffins 93.6%

Whole School 93.4%



## Shining Stars of the Week



*Harvey Puffins*

For incredible determination in swimming and for trying school lunch for the first time!

*Rafi Choughs*

For settling in to your new learning at school so brilliantly. Well done Rafi!

### Request from Choughs

Has anyone got any old pots and pans or kitchen utensils suitable for our mud kitchen please. Thanks for the donations so far.



### Breakfast Club

Don't forget, Breakfast Club is available daily from 8.15am. **The cost is £1 per session.** Please arrive by 8.30am at the latest if your child requires breakfast, This will allow them time to eat breakfast before school starts. If you would like your child to attend, please let Paula in the School Office know in advance.

### Water bottle

Please may we ask that all children have a water bottle with them each day. School can be thirsty work!



### Head Lice Alert

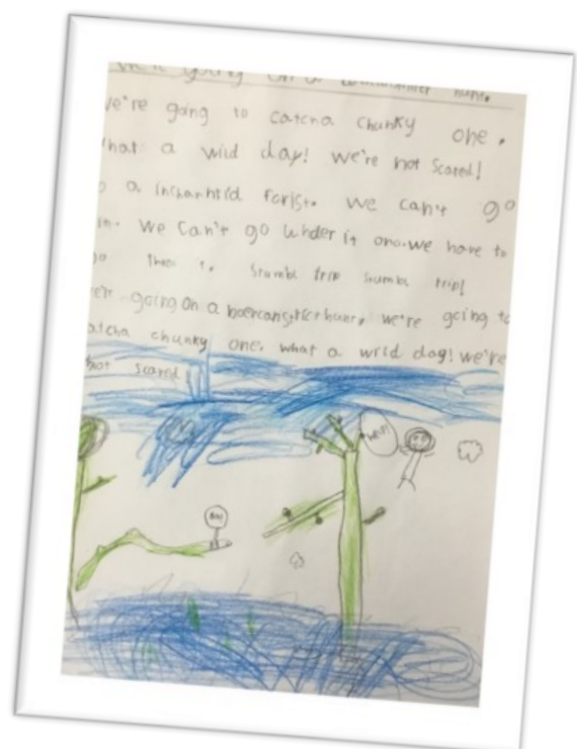
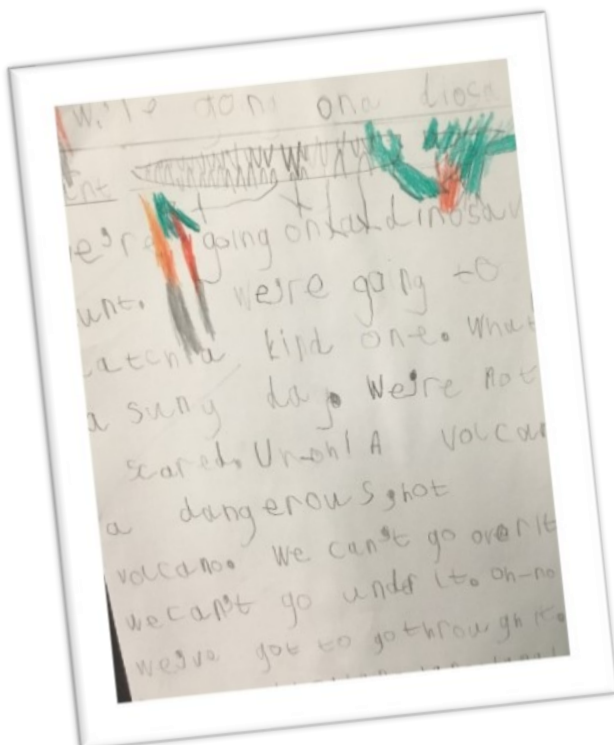
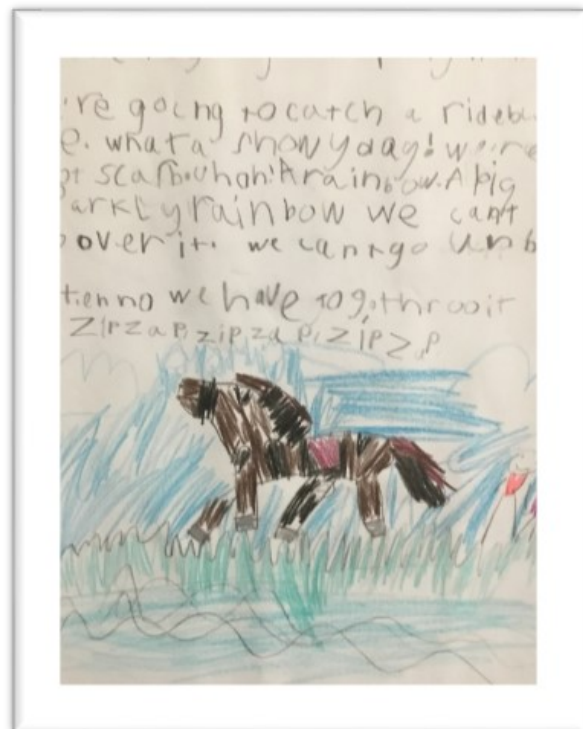
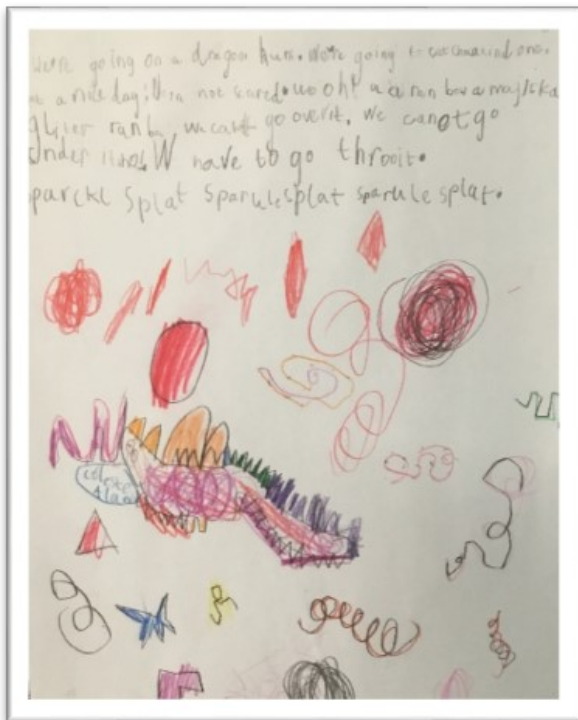
Unfortunately we still have evidence of head lice in both classes eggs and mature lice. Please can you check your child's hair and treat as necessary. We have an information leaflet on our website which may help:

[http://www.st-levan-primary-school.org.uk/website/headlice leaflet/303585](http://www.st-levan-primary-school.org.uk/website/headlice%20leaflet/303585)

## Choughs Class:

### **We're going on an apostrophe hunt?**

Choughs have been talking lots about teddy bears as part of our Old Toys topic. We went on our very own 'bear hunt' around the school: stomping through thick, oozy mud; strimming away some long, wavy grass and jumping up and down in a river pouring down the garden steps. This adventure culminated in us finding an enormous teddy bear hiding in the garden! "We're not going on a bear hunt again!" This inspired us to think about what we'd like to go on a hunt for and we wrote our own versions. We thought carefully about contractions (words like we're, can't, we've). Do you like our apostrophes?





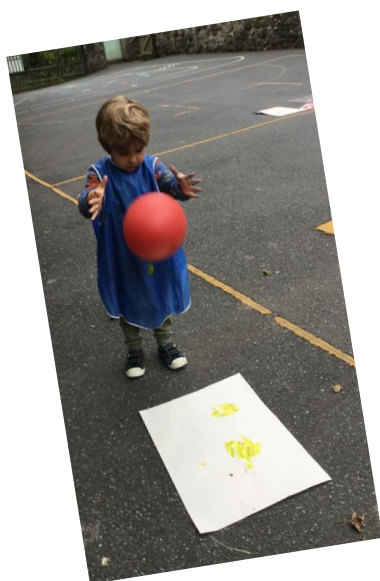
## We're Going on a Bear Hunt





## Art Club

Over the past couple of weeks, the children in Art Club have been creating their own patterns based on Jane Hissey's lovely story about Old Bear and friends: 'All-Together Painting'. In the story, the old toys each set about painting their own pictures but they all go wrong: Jolly Giraffe's spots go all runny; Rabbit's stripes go all wavy as he hops and Duck's blue painting gets splatted by Ruff the dog's ball. Little Bear even gets more paint on himself than the paper! Inspired by this beautiful book, we created patterns in the style of the different characters. We are going to use these to create our very own 'all-together painting'. This is what we did:



St Levan School @StLevanSchool · Sep 30

At Art Club, we did our own 'all-together' painting just like [@janehissey](#)'s Old Bear and friends. We did spots like Little Bear, stripes like Rabbit and made our paint runny like Jolly Giraffe (this was so much fun!). Next week, we'll use our patterns to make beautiful pictures.



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We were very excited to hear from Jane Hissey herself. Here's what she said:

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Jane Hissey @janehissey · Sep 30

Replying to [@StLevanSchool](#)

Oh this is lovely . I can't wait to see what you all do with your patterns. Well done all of you. I did have a lovely time illustrating the All Together Painting book because it was such fun doing all the patterns!

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## Puffins Class:

**Bucket drumming** club is going well and we are learning new skills and beats each week.



This week, as well as drumming along to different tunes, we tried getting our sticks to bounce so we could drum roll and learnt the pattern of a Single Paradiddle. You can practise by tapping on a table!

**Right, left, right, right. Left, right, left, left.**

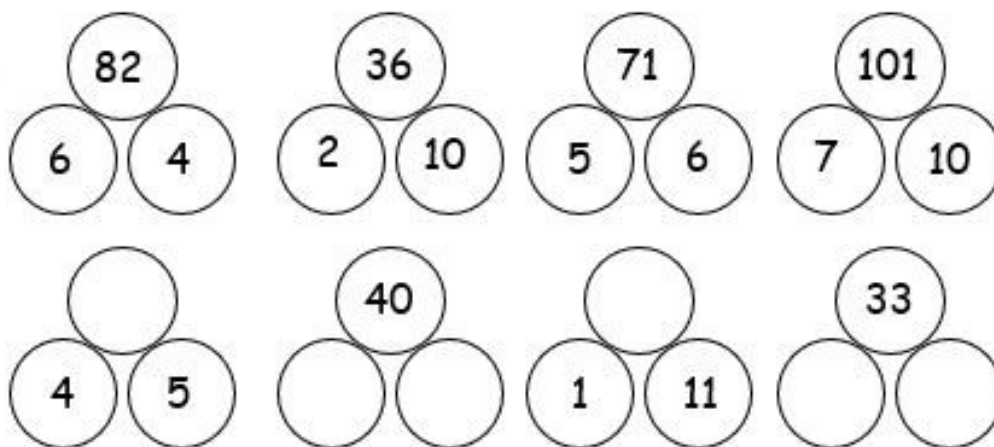


## A maths problem:

Various members of our class have had a try of a tricky problem. Part of it is below. It uses multiples of 13. Can you find the rule and fill in the gaps?

Oh yes!! It's multiples of 13

The first four are done for you. Use them to sort out the rule and finish the rest.



Authors Aloud UK



We took part in a fabulous, online workshop with Aisling Fowler and were able to hear extracts of her new book Fireborn and try out some of the techniques she uses for generating ideas in her writing.

*"It was really exciting – I would really like to read Fireborn!!"*

*"It was amazing because the book sounded super interesting and the activities were good as well. It sounds like a really good fantasy book. Aisling Fowler was also really nice."*

In **history**, we have considered how the experiences of evacuees differed enormously. We created 100 word videos or information texts and tried to give a balanced view of different experiences.



In **science**, we have experimented with UV reactive beads and considered which kinds of materials would be good for making sunglasses lenses with and why.



"Translucent materials would make good lenses for sunglasses because they don't let all the light come through and they disperse some of the light so not so much UV will reach our eyes. Opaque materials wouldn't work as they let no light through so you couldn't see anything! Transparent wouldn't be good because they let all the light through so they wouldn't protect our eyes."