

## St Levan School Half-Term Newsletter

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We wish you all an enjoyable and restful half-time with friends and family. Keep safe and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> June for an exciting term ahead.

Here is our round-up of events this last half-term- we have been very busy and so have many of our parents and governors! Many thanks to all of you for giving up so much of your time to support us and make St Levan such a great place to be.

### LOOK AT OUR AMAZING MOSAIC!

We once had a bare wall outside and didn't know what to do, but a mum (called Susie) knew what to do and helped us. Her idea was to make a mosaic so she asked us for ideas. We drew our ideas onto paper and then we coloured them in. Susie picked some of them - the ones she thought would work best. She enlarged them, cut them out and then we stuck tiles onto our designs using a mesh. We used some very sharp, dangerous cutters. We used gloves and goggles for protection. Our finished designs were then stuck onto the outside wall. We think our new mosaic looks fantastic. Please come in, have a look and tell us what you think. Thank you so much to Susie for giving up so much of her time to help improve our school environment! Thank you also, to all the people who helped along the way – you're all amazing.

**Reported by Morgan, Donald and Maisy**



## BALANCEABILITY

The Balanceability class were learning coordination on balance bikes. As well as playing exciting games such as: What's the time Mr Wolf, riding on the pretend road and riding around the edge of the playground.



"I liked going around the road," said Lailani.

"I liked playing What's the time Mr Wolf" said Sorrel.

"I liked being the wolf whilst playing What's the time Mr Wolf" said Florence.

"I had fun doing everything!" said Ruby.

They were also learning how to look left and right whilst on a balance bike.



**Reporter: Tonsley**

## CLASS 2 STORIES

Class 2 have been writing magical stories with fantastic heroes and vile villains! These stories are a little bit different because the start of the story happens in the middle! There are lots of different settings, from pirate ships to space and even an enchanted, elemental cave. We have been trying so hard to use all of the punctuation that we know and teachers are really impressed with everybody's stories so far. They are not quite finished yet but when they are, PLEASE come in and enjoy them with us!

**By Sol, Morgan, Fred and Zak.**

## CHESS CHAMPION: TONSLEY HUGH-JONES



**Reporter: Tonsley Hugh-Jones**

I started playing draughts with my Grandad. Then I started to get pretty good at it so my Grandad thought I might like playing chess so the next time I went to my Grandad's house instead of playing draughts I played chess. I started to play and of course I cheated a bit when I was learning the rules with Grandad.

Then I started playing at home and in the school chess club as I thought I might as well just go to learn and get better. When the chess club finished I was really sad but I still wanted to play chess so I played at home and got to quite a high standard. My mum thought I could enter this chess tournament so I did and I started winning quite a few games of chess and somebody next to my mum said, "Did you know if your child wins this chess tournament your child would be the under 7's county chess champion for Cornwall?" Then I started playing my dad and mum but they were too easy so my mum entered me into the Cornwall schools chess competition and I WON! That made me the Cornwall chess under 7's schools champion.

**CONGRATULATIONS TONSLEY!**



# OUR WILD FORAGING WALK

WARNING: Please remind your children not to pick and taste anything without your permission.



We all went on a Foraging Walk (every-one except the Year 6s... hard luck!) We had decided (or rather Ms Storey had!) to make some Wild Garlic Soup! It sounded disgusting but we thought we would humour her.

We all walked up the lane that leads to the Brolly's house. We stayed in a line to be safe on the road and kept our eyes open for cars and run-away horses. Mr Yarwood wore a fluorescent jacket which made him feel important!

We soon found lots and lots of wild garlic flowers. We started to pick them in bunches of ten flowers only. We also had a competition to see who could find the longest garlic flower in the whole world. (Well done Amelia!)

When we returned to school, without losing any-one, we began the hard work of preparing our meal. We found out that when you make wild garlic soup you do not have to use the actual white flowers of the plant (but you can sprinkle the flowers on top as they are edible), you only use the slimy, slug-like stems . . . . lovely!



After we had chopped and chopped and chopped the stems some more we were ready to make our soup. We lightly stir-fried the stems with some chopped potatoes before adding vegetable stock. We simmered the strange looking mixture for about twenty minutes.

To the great surprise to most of us, it tasted delicious. Food for free! (We're back in the 70s thought Mrs King) We are now thinking of adding the soup to the school menu . . . . EVERY DAY!

## CONSTRUCTION CLUB BUILDS A DAM

In construction club one day, we went down to the river at the bottom of the hill and made a dam like beavers do. We used: sticks, mud, rocks and grass. When we put mud in the water with sticks, the mud disintegrated. We succeeded in stopping the majority of water. At the end of the session we decided to dismantle the dam because we did not want to upset the rivers natural flow. We learnt a lot about dams and talked about beavers and their habitats.



*By Alfie, Amelia & Murray*



## RUNNING CLUB



We always start with warm-ups in the playground and then last week we ran laps around it. Tonsley managed to run 25 laps which we worked out was about one mile. He was closely followed by Amelia and Elyssa who ran 17. Running up the hill, almost to Mrs Brolly's house was a great experience. We ran in a long line and the person at the back has to sprint to the front to become the new leader. We are all getting fitter! Well done all of you.

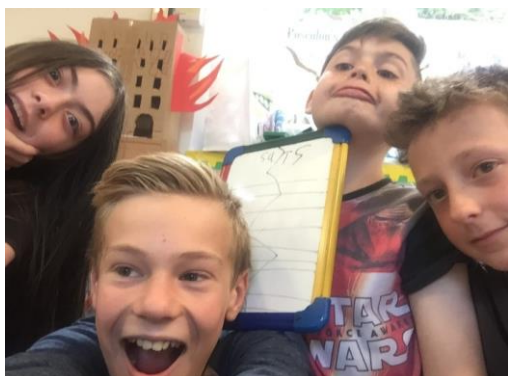
## YEAR 6 TANTRUM

As part of the governments fabulous new curriculum we, ~~unhappily~~, took part in a ~~stressful and extremely despicable~~ set of wonderful tests papers designed to allow us to shine and show off what we are made of. We were tested for four days to be exact and if you add up all the hours we were confined to our 'test desks' for, we would have been able to fly all the way to Spain! At some point we all pondered different ways to escape from jumping onto the shelter roof, crawling into the vents of the school (something we quickly realised we DON'T have) and even flushing ourselves down the toilet.

In the end we all survived and were very pleased when they were finally completed. To celebrate, the fabulous Sharon Brolly (accompanied by Millie) came and prepared for us an incredible breakfast of pancakes and strawberries, full English and cereals. It was lovey and was a great way to celebrate the end of a stressful few days ☺ Thank you Sharon!

### By Year 6

During SATs



After SATs



## CONGRATULATIONS

To all of our amazing children for working so hard during the testing period. Everyone supported each other and we all had rather a nice time with extra breaks and healthy treats!