

St Levan School Newsletter

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Class 1 Firefighters



On Wednesday 15th March Class 1 visited Penzance fire station to find out more about people who help in our local community. A few of us quite fancy being fire fighters when we grow up so it was a great chance to find out more. Tom and Simon showed us all round the fire station and inside the fire engine. We got to hear the siren (it was really loud!), squirt the hose and see Tom go down the pole. It was awesome! Here are some



of our best bits:

"My favourite bit was squirting the hose" - Findlay

"Thank you for letting us go on the fire truck" – Ruby

"My favourite bit was when Tom went on the pole" – Ashton

"Thank you for rescuing people" – Will

"I had a lovely time" – Sennen

"Thank you for showing us a round" – Bryher

SONGFEST



Wow! We are so proud of our amazing children and Miss Finch! St Levan looked and sounded incredible! Everyone sung superbly and thoroughly enjoyed the buzz of being part of the whole choir, working with professional musicians. This event pushed our children to achieve beyond their own expectations. They all showed great commitment, perseverance, determination

and hard-work to perfect every song – some very tricky ones and some in different languages! We thank Miss Finch enormously. Our children have been incredibly fortunate to have such a talented musician to inspire and support them to achieve a high standard. Everyone pushed through the 'pain barrier' of growth learning and came out the other side, resilient and believing in themselves. I'm sure your children will be singing these songs for life. That's inspiration. Thank you so much for supporting us and spending your evening with us.

Match Report



A larger than expected crowd gathered recently to watch the much anticipated re-match between St Levan and Sennen football teams. Having lost the first match narrowly last year, St Levan were eager to make a better showing in an attempt to firmly place their foot on the doorstep of 'The Big Time' and this correspondent has to say that they made a pretty good show of it. Their confidence was undoubtedly boosted as this was their first outing wearing their splendid new kit. Their smart red and

white shirts, reminiscent of a slightly more famous football club from North London, looked fine in the Autumn sunshine as they took up their positions ready for battle.

The plan was simple, don't get caught out like last time and let in a goal in the first thirty seconds, the reality was that Sennen kicked off, ran up the pitch and scored within ten! "Déjà vu!" the crowd screamed and St Levan were one nil down. However, like last time, their inexperienced heads did not drop. Instead they rallied, rolled down their socks and like the true amateurs they are, got on with the job in hand. With the sun and wind behind them, they had to make this advantage count, they soon did.



Within two minutes they were level. The ball played out from top goalie Morgan 'Braveheart' Brown to Captain Alfonso 'The Colossus' Cornell. He in turn slipped it towards Amelia 'The Artist' Atkinson. Atkinson, with her usual calmness played into our very own Tonsley 'The Terrier' Hugh-Jones. He crossed, isolating the stranded Sennen defence for non-other than William 'The Whirlwind' Reid to volley through a crowded penalty area into the

back of the net. The away supporters went wild, Mr Y felt tears of pride welling in his eyes and order had been restored!

But alas this euphoric state was not to last. Though St Levan battled on, with Murray 'The Minder' Thomas and Theo 'The Penzance Panther' Hodgkinson both contributing greatly to the cause, Sennen once again proved that home advantage counts in this cut and thrust competitive world of inter-school football. They scored a quick three goals and at one point threatened to run away with it. St Levan pulled two back, another from 'The Whirlwind' and a great low drive from 'The Terrier' but it was a case of 'too little, too late' on this occasion.

St Levan were boosted late on by the arrival of three new players, Olivia 'The Swan', who glided about the field, majestically tackling wherever needed, 'Marvellous' Marie, who in her first ever game, made a strong impression and not forgetting Elyssa 'Eagle Eye' Atkinson, who, though small in stature, was a giant on the pitch, putting in a shift that the great Steve McMahon would have been proud of.

And finally, although St Levan did not play their best game, the players did our School proud, they played with great spirit and attitude, as did our friends Sennen, who we congratulate on their wonderful victory.

Many thanks must go to our new coach Steve Reid who has given up his time to join Mr Y in trying to form this motley crew into something resembling the great Barcelona!

Special thanks go to The Loch Ryan Oyster Company, our team sponsors, who have most generously provided our wonderful new football kit, it will undoubtedly serve the school for many years to come.

Finally, many thanks to Sophia our very own photographer for taking many fabulous pictures. A picture of the team will be sent home this week.

Information and Reminders:

Farm and Country day trip for Years 3, 4 and 5 The original letter is on the website in letters, under the 'Parent Information' tab. Please arrive by 8.25am with all that has been requested. We need to leave promptly at 8.30am! Thank you.

Water Bottles

Please help your child to remember their water bottle daily. Teachers are spending valuable time filling bottles during the day. Thank you.

Heatree Residential for Years 4, 5 and 6 – the letter has been sent home and is also on the website under the 'Parent Information' tab.

Friends of the School Dates for your diary:

Duck Race – on the last day of term **31st March** the Friends of the School will be holding our annual Duck Race. Please look out for a form coming home this week to buy your

ducks!! Please arrange for your child to be collected from School at **1.15pm** and head to Penberth Cove for ducks away. Tea and cake will be served. All welcome.

Pocket of Penwith – Friday 9th June 6 -8pm. The Friends are holding a postcard exhibition and sale. This will include postcards by many well-known local artists, amateur artists and the children. Again details to follow. Save the date!

Newsletter online – Please note that you can access the newsletter and letters via our website.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SHINING STARS

Murray - for having a great attitude to learning and a super growth mind-set attitude. Well done!

Bryony - for being such an active learner, always looking to improve and not being afraid of giving everything a go in your learning.

Lailani - for her great enthusiasm for our Florence Nightingale topic and a mature attitude to learning. Well done!

Ruby - for having a great attitude to learning, listening to feedback and super motivation to grow your brain!

Headteacher Award – our Super Songfest Singers:

Marie, Bryony, Olivia, Lola, Amelia, Fred, Morgan, Tonsley, Tamsyn, Theo and Elyssa for believing in themselves, supporting each other and trying new thing. You all persevered and showed great confidence. You should feel incredibly proud of yourself and each other.

***The Virtue we were practising last week: 'Confidence'**- to feel sure of yourself and enjoy new things, without letting doubts or fears hold you back. All of our children have shown this - during Songfest, our footballers and through our confidence 'dancing' assembly. Have a look on our twitter feed!*

The Virtue we are learning about and practising this week: 'Compassion'