



Dear Parents,

Many thanks to everyone that arrived at school *really early* last Tuesday to help cook the 'Big Breakfast' for our school community. It was a wonderful community event that was enjoyed by one and all which I'm sure will be repeated in the future! A special mention must go to Chypraze farm, specifically Kevin Bagshaw, for the supply of the sausages and Sainsbury's for their sponsorship.

Also, a big thank you to the parents that have given up their time to listen to our children read during the afternoon throughout last week. It makes such a difference to the children to read aloud, it provides confidence and an ability to discuss stories, books and imagery.

British Science Week

Science week is always so much fun and provides a good basis for exciting experiments for everyone. Miss Finch and our older children supported the children from Choughs in the daily playground experiments – there were lab coats everywhere!



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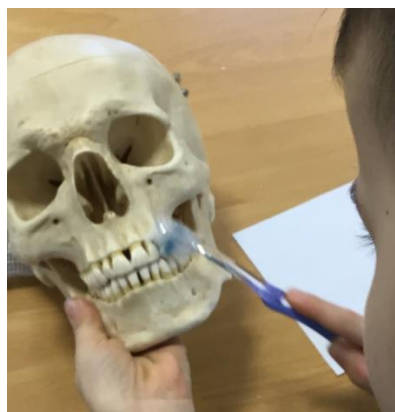
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Reminder

Friday the 31st of March 2023 is the last day of the Spring term and the school will close at 1330. The Friends of St Levan have organised the annual Duck Race for the afternoon at Penberth Cove – details of the event have been added to this bulletin.



Head teacher's Awards

Hettie – for your wonderful determination to learn your 'green' words with Mrs. King.

Ashton – for your unwavering determination during your weekly swimming lessons.

Astrid – for your overwhelming sense of politeness and endearing supportive nature to all children at St Levan school.

Stars of the week

Choughs Class – Miss Ferguson

Hettie – for being such a kind and thoughtful friend to all. The St Levan values shine through you!

Puffins Class – Miss Finch

Jack B – for incredible effort in writing and being a helpful and supportive member of Puffins.

Attendance

Our whole school attendance

97% Choughs

93% Puffins

94% Overall

Please be mindful that good attendance is vital for learning for all of our children. The national minimum expectation is set at 96%. Please help us achieve this on a daily basis and support your child's learning

Future NEU Strike Action

The NEU have not publicised any further dates for their industrial action. We will continually keep you updated even though, as a school, we were not affected.



Lastly,

This will be the last week for our before and after school clubs. We will send out the new club list when we return from the Easter break.

Last Friday, Paula had a wonderful send off and would like me to pass on her thanks to you all for your kind gifts and lovely sentiments.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Mark Francis

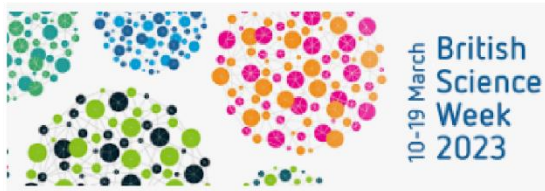
Head teacher

Head Lice Alert

Unfortunately, we have evidence of head lice 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





We were lucky enough to receive some funding from British Science Week this year which meant we could purchase some super new science equipment!

Each breaktime, a small group of Puffins used this new equipment with our youngest Reception members to help them become Super Scientists!



Monday: How can we make the car go further?

Using the new adjustable ramp, we tested the angle of the slope and how the changes altered how far the cars travelled.



Tuesday: Where will a bean grow best?

We planted beans and put the pots in different places in the playground. Results to be posted at a later date!

Wednesday: What is magnetic in our playground?

We tested what was magnetic—some metal wasn't.



Thursday: What will vinegar do?

We learnt how to use pipettes and added vinegar to a bicarbonate of soda and food colouring mixture. There was a lot of fizzing and hissing!



Friday: What can we filter?

We learnt how to use funnels and filter paper. We were able to filter out sand from water but could not filter out food colouring from water.

On Monday, Puffins were also extremely lucky to be visited by Vincent who taught us all about teeth and how to keep them healthy. We tried to eat crackers with no water - some people found this easier than others— and got to look at some amazing x-rays and models of teeth and the human skull.

Thank you so much Vincent for giving us your time and for teaching us so many interesting things!



Brazilian playground games

We learned about some of the similarities and differences between schools in Brazil and the UK before playing some traditional Brazilian playground games. These included variations on Forty-fourty and hopscotch as well as some new games we'd not played before called 'The rabbit's out', 'Stop!', 'Hot or cold' and 'You shall pass'.





Brazilian Chocolates: Brigadeiro

This week, Choughs also made some traditional Brazilian chocolate truffles. They were a great success and very tasty... so tasty, that Choughs wanted the recipe, so here it is!

Ingredients

3 tbsp unsalted butter, plus a little extra

400g tin sweetened condensed milk

4 tbsp cocoa powder

1 tsp vanilla extract

To decorate:

50g toasted chopped pistachio

50g flaked almond

50g desiccated coconut

Method

STEP 1

In a medium heavy-based saucepan, heat the butter, condensed milk, a pinch of salt and the cocoa, to boiling, stirring constantly with a wooden spoon. Reduce the heat to medium-low; cook for 10-15 mins, stirring constantly, until the mixture is thick and shiny and starts to pull away from the bottom.

STEP 2

Stir in the vanilla and vigorously mix again. Pour the mixture onto a buttered plate. Chill for at least 2 hrs.

STEP 3

Butter your hands and pinch off some of the dough to make 2.5cm balls. Place your toppings into small bowls and roll the balls of one of the decorations. Place in mini paper baking cups or on a tray lined with non-stick baking paper.





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FRIENDS OF ST LEVAN SCHOOL - ANNUAL DUCK RACE

20th March 2023

Dear Parents

We are delighted to invite you to join us for the annual end of spring term Duck Race at Penberth Cove on the last day of term, Friday 31st March.

The children will need to be collected from school at 1.15pm and you are then welcome to make your way down to Penberth, where the Duck Races will begin at around 2pm. We are encouraging as many families as possible to car share to and from school, as parking is very limited in Penberth. A number of families have expressed a keenness to walk down the valley following the public footpath, which is wonderful, and there will be plenty of time before the Duck Races begin if you wish to do this.

Ducks cost £1. Please put the slip below in a labelled envelope with the money and a list of names and return it to the school office. Please try to sell as many ducks as possible to your friends and family. There will be separate Duck Races for children (all under 16's) and adults, so please indicate on the form if your duck is for a child.

Refreshments will be available and you are welcome to bring along cakes/bakes to share. We look forward to seeing you all there.

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Please reserve _____ Ducks in the following names. I enclose £_____

Name _____

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