



Monday 30th January 2023

Dear parents,

Wednesday of this week will see the first day of the possible strike action by the teaching union NEU. Unfortunately, I am not in a position to plan the day until that very morning, as teachers are not obliged to inform their employer whether they intend to take strike action or not - we will contact you as soon as we possibly can. I'm sure you have all received and read our school's letter, sent out last week outlining our position as a school. If you do have any questions, thoughts or queries please do not hesitate to contact us through the usual channels of communication.

Tomorrow sees a change to our usual week with our school welcoming the Cornish Caretaker's from Porthcurno - you can gain a sneak preview via the following link - <https://pkporthcurno.com/pk-stories/the-cornish-caretakers-show/> It will be a great day, I'm sure, enjoyed by all! It is so important that our children learn about Cornwall and its heritage, as well as the wider world.

As this is the penultimate week of the half term, please remember on Friday the 10th of February is 'Wear Red Day' raising money for Cornwall Air Ambulance which is at the end of Mental Health Week.

As always, thank you for your support,

Mr Mark Francis - Head Teacher

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Tuesday 31st January

- Cornish Caretakers KS2 Workshop & Show

Friday 3rd February

- Little Levans session 1.30pm - 2.45pm
- Year 4, 5 & 6 Residential Trip parent meeting via MS Teams, 3.45-4.15pm

Monday 6th - Sunday 12th February

- Children's Mental Health Week

Tuesday 7th February

- Safer Internet Day
- Year 5 & 6 Swimming

Friday 10th February

- Wear Red Day (raising money for Cornwall Air Ambulance)

Attendance

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.

Choughs	72%
Puffins	90%
Whole school	84%



Shining Stars of the Week

Miss Ferguson's Star of the Week

Oliver - For writing a brilliant rainforest report. You have listened to feedback and done your best. Well done!.

Miss Finch's Stars of the Week

Oscar - For your brilliant efforts in writing - your biography was amazing! Plus super teamwork with your Year 6 partner.



Science

We cut open the fruits and looked inside. We noticed that some had seeds in and others had big stones.

"These seeds are really small and you can eat them."

"The avocado has a really big stone in it."

"What's inside the mango? Oh, it's all hard!"

We wondered why some of the fruits had seeds inside:

"The animals take them and throw the stones away."

"The animals eat it and then it comes out as... poop!"

"It helps make more plants."

"That's why there are so many trees in the rainforest. The animals make them grow!"



Children's Mental Health Week

You will have seen from last week's bulletin that it will soon be Children's Mental Health Week. As this year's theme is 'Let's Connect' and is all about making meaningful connections with others, we will be celebrating as a whole school community throughout the week. Here are some of the activities we have planned:



If you would like to get involved throughout the week, check out:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/moodboosters>



This website contains fun resources to inspire children to get moving for mental health and wellbeing. There is a whole collection of videos for families too.



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We talked about ways to be safe and hygienic when cooking:

"You have to wash the fruit!"

"We wash our hands lots. When I help Mummy cook dinner we wash our hands before and at the end and sometimes in the middle as well."

"We need to clean the equipment we're going to use like the boards and knives."

"Hold your hand like this, like a crab, when you're cutting."

"My Mum says you should always cut away from you in case the knife slips."

"Ask a grown-up if it's tricky."

"Let's wipe the tables too!"

We then practised peeling, cutting and grating different fruits to make our cocoavamango smoothie. The coconut was tricky so a grown-up opened it with a hammer! After cutting, we mixed it all together with different juices and gave it out in a great big coconut cup. Yum!





Outdoor Learning

Outdoor learning Club have been demonstrating superb resilience while learning how to use fire starters safely.



Many of our group created sparks that were able to ignite cotton wool!

Next week, we plan to use our new skills with a Kelly Kettle to make hot chocolate!

NSPCC 0800 1111

Remember, if you ever need someone to talk to, Childline offers free, confidential support whatever your worry, whenever you need help. We will talk more about this on Friday 3rd February as it is NSPCC number day.



Little Levans

3rd February

3rd March

17th March

1.30pm – 2.45pm



St Levan School

School Hill St Levan TR19 6HD

01736 810486

An afternoon of storytelling, songs
and fun with John Brolly.

All under 5's and parents welcome.

