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Friday 17th November 2023

Dear Families

We have had a wonderful World Nursery Rhyme Week! Lots of laughter — a bit of screaming — don't worry, it was only the Crocodile making an appearance in Row, Row, Row Your Boat!

Mae from PK Porthcurno had a lovely workshop with the Puffins — ours was the only school where the 'stained glass' had been completed by the end of the session — well done Puffins! If you would like to see the finished artwork then head down to Porthcurno over the festive season.

On Wednesday Puffins went on a trip to Kresen Kernow and learned all about the Levant Mine disaster.

On Thursday two actors from the Minack came to school to run a workshop based on nursery rhymes — the weather was very kind and the children spent a lot of time outside performing in the sunshine.

Today is Children in Need day — nearly everyone is in their pyjamas — and we have raised almost £40 — thank you for your generosity! I don't know who enjoys it most — the children or the staff... Puffins are being taught by a pink unicorn!

Last week we held a minutes silence to mark Remembrance Day, the children were reminded why remembrance is important. The silence was very well kept, what a respectful bunch of children we have here at St Levan.

Stars of the Week

Choughs – Rafi – for having the confidence to share your ideas and give opinions in class discussions.
Fantastic work!

Puffins – Regan – sensational determination in your spellings and writing each week! Well done!

Attendance (YTD)

Whole school = 95%
Choughs = 91%
Puffins = 96%

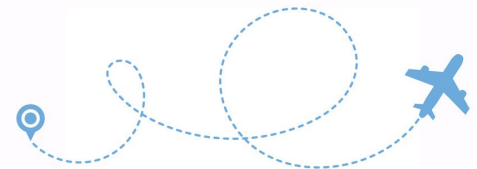
RE: Why is Christmas important to Christians?



As part of our RE learning about why Christmas is important to Christians, we acted out parts of the nativity, like when the angel visited Mary and when the wise men followed the star. This was particularly fun as the star turned out to be pretty fast! We sang a song about the journey Mary and Joseph went on to Bethlehem and recorded the story in the form of a comic strip.

Nursery Rhyme Week

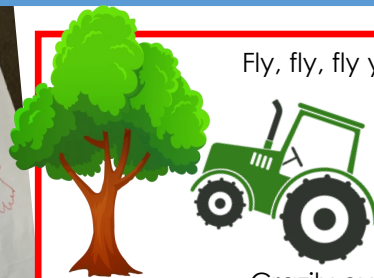
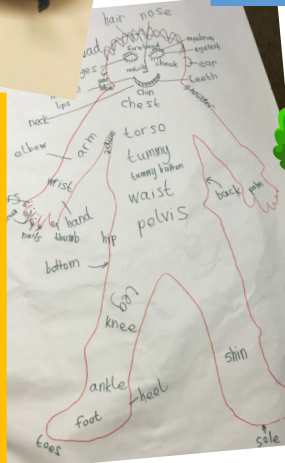
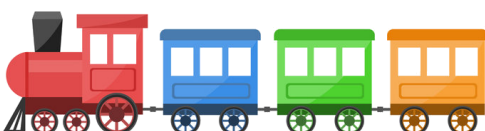
All through the week, we have been singing nursery rhymes and playing with language. We learned about parts of the body singing Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes, measured the length of mouse tails for Hickory Dickory Dock and wrote our own versions of Row, Row, Row, Your Boat. We also enjoyed a very special drama workshop with the team from The Minack Theatre. What a week!



Fly, fly, fly your plane
Carefully through the sky,
Carefully, carefully, carefully, carefully
I am up so high.
-HS

Choo, choo goes the train
Along the windy tracks,
Speedily, speedily, speedily, speedily
Put the speed to max.

-KJ



Fly, fly, fly your tractor

Crazily over the sea,
Crazily, crazily, crazily, crazily,
Straight into a tree! -RTW and UY

Monday 13th November 2023

Visit from Mae at PK Museum

We created stained glass windows on a Christmas theme. After thinking about different creatures that hibernate and learning about some Christmas traditions of other countries such as the Yule Cat of Iceland, we created our own designs. Mae then simplified each one and on Monday she came in to school. We added tissue paper and black outlines and had to work collaboratively to achieve our goals. Mae was very impressed by how well we worked as a team and that we finished all of them!





Kresen Kernow!

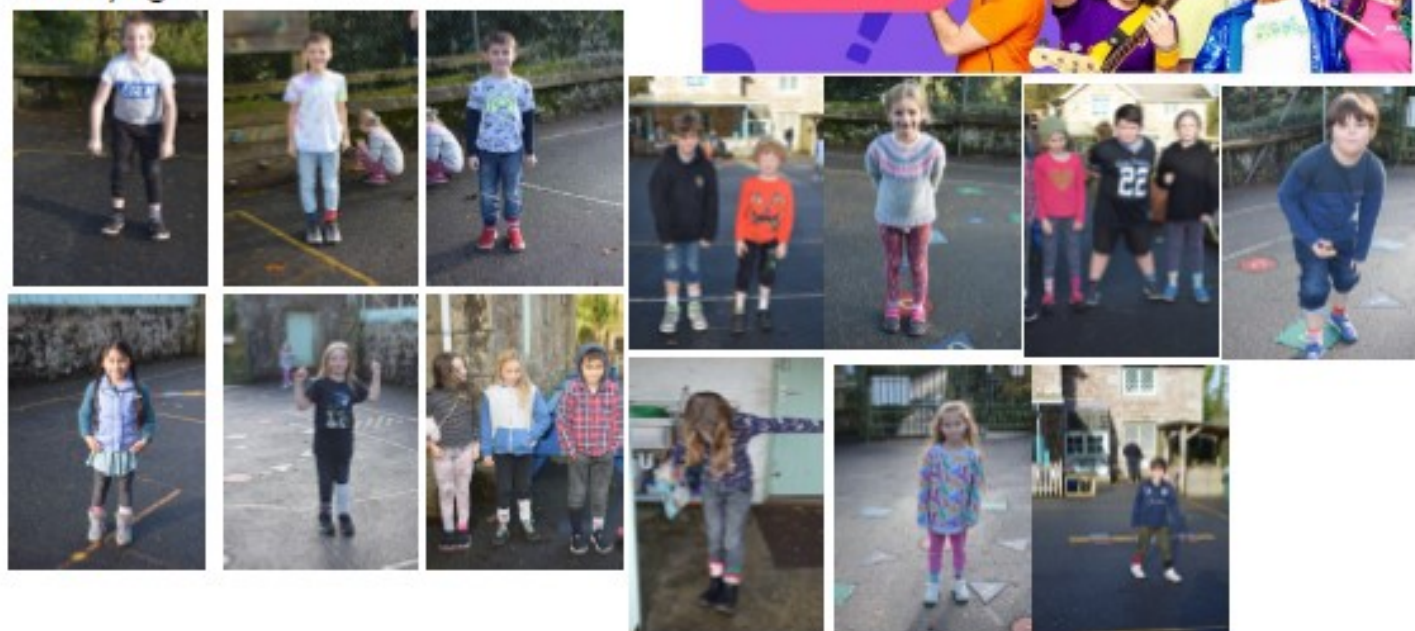
What a super morning!

We got to visit the archives under and see some extremely old books from the 1700s, have a look through the lovely Cornish books in their library and find out about the Levant Mine Disaster!



Odd Socks for Anti-bullying week!

We had fun wearing odd socks! Our mental health ambassadors created a poster with strategies linked to bullying. Our JIGSAW lessons this week were themed around racism and what you could do if you were a witness to bullying.



Diary Dates

Academic Year

2023 - 2024

Term	Autumn
Term starts	Mon 04/09/2023
Term Ends	Tue 19/12/2023
Half term starts	Mon 23/10/2023
Half term ends	Fri 27/10/2023
Event	Date
Minack - Shakespeare Festival performance - 1pm	Wed 29/11/2023
Christmas Market	Sat 02/12/2023
Choughs - trip to St Buryan Church	Mon 04/12/2023
School performance at the Acorn Theatre	Thu 07/12/2023
Multi-skills event @ St Just Sports Centre (year 5/6) 1.45pm-3pm	Fri 08/12/2023
Christmas jumper day	Fri 08/12/2023
Christmas lunch (children and staff only)	Wed 13/12/2023
Whole school trip - Hall for Cornwall (Peter Pan)	Fri 15/12/2023
Last day of term	Tue 19/12/2023

Term	Spring
Term starts	Thu 04/01/2024
Term Ends	Thu 28/03/2024
Half term starts	Mon 12/02/2024
Half term ends	Fri 16/02/2024
Event	Date
INSET day	Thu 04/01/2024
INSET day	Fri 05/01/2024
Back to school	Mon 08/01/2024
Parents phonics session	Thu 18/01/2024
Last day before half term	Fri 09/02/2024
First day back after half term	Mon 19/02/2024
World book day	Thu 07/03/2024
Multi-skills event @ St Just Sports Centre (year 3/4) 1.45pm-3pm	Wed 08/03/2023
Family lunch day	Fri 08/03/2024
Parent consultations	Wed 13/03/2024
Parent consultations	Thu 14/03/2024
Red nose day	Fri 15/03/2024
School camp starts	Mon 18/03/2024
School camp ends	Wed 20/03/2024
Community duck race	Tue 28/03/2023
Last day of term	Tue 28/03/2023

Term	Summer
Term starts	Mon 15/04/2024
Term Ends	Wed 24/07/2024
Half term starts	Mon 27/05/2024
Half term ends	Fri 31/05/2024
Event	Date
Back to school	Mon 15/04/2024
INSET day	Fri 03/05/2024
Bank holiday	Mon 06/05/2024
KS2 SATS week starts	Mon 13/05/2024
KS2 SATS week ends	Fri 17/05/2024
Last day before half term	Fri 24/05/2024
First day back after half term	Mon 03/06/2024
Multi-skills event @ St Just Sports Centre (year 1/2) 1.45pm-3pm	Wed 07/06/2023
Family lunch day	Fri 14/06/2024
Year 2/3 sleepover	Thu 20/06/2024
Sports day	Thu 27/06/2024
Sports day backup	Thu 11/07/2024
School reports issued	Fri 12/07/2024
Whole school transition day	Mon 15/07/2024
Parent consultations (if required post school reports issued)	Tue 16/07/2024
Lafrowda day	Sat 20/07/2024
Leavers assembly	Mon 22/07/2024
Last school day!	Tue 23/07/2024
INSET day	Wed 24/07/2024