



Newsletter

13th October 2023

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Jewellery in PE Lessons

Could any jewellery be taped for our school PE lessons. This includes stud earrings. School can provide tape. Watches will need to be removed.

Thank you for your cooperation

Reception Parents—Diary Date

There will be a parents meeting at the school at 3.15pm on Tuesday 17 October to give an insight into how phonics are taught in school.

Taking Holiday in Term Time

Last year's attendance for the whole school was just 91.6%, which is extremely low. The national average is 97%, which is also the expectation in this school. You have a legal duty to make sure your child attends school regularly and punctually. The school and the Local Authority monitor your child's attendance and will take action if it is poor. The Government recommends that family holidays are taken outside of school terms. Headteachers will sometimes give permission for a pupil to go on holiday during term time. They will consider the reasons for the holiday, the pupil's past attendance, and the effects the absence will have on the pupil's learning. But will not normally give permission simply because holidays cost less during term time. Headteachers have the discretion to grant leave, but they should only do so in exceptional circumstances. If a head teacher grants a leave request, it will be for them to determine the length of time that the child can be away from school. **It is, however, unlikely to be granted for the purposes of a family holiday. Parents can be fined for taking their child on holiday during term time without consent from the school.**

Warning – If you take your child out of school without permission you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may refer the matter to the education Welfare Service who may decide to prosecute. A conviction may result in a fine of up to £2,500, a prison sentence of up to three months or both. Alternatively, a penalty notice may be issued, this carries a fine of £60 per child if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the penalty notice will result in Court action

WELL DONE

TEAM	15.09.23	22.09.23	29.09.23	06.10.23	13.10.23
Killigrew			★	★	
Trevithick					★
Bassett	★				

NUMBOTS

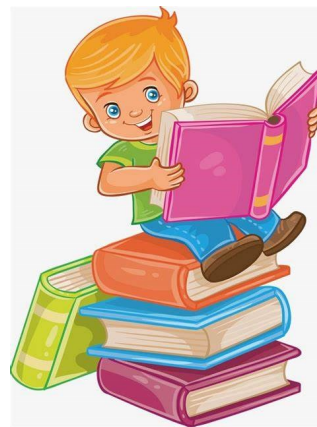
Oscar & Arthur

TT Rockstars

Jemima—Rockstar

READING ROLL OF HONOUR

Jenson, Max, Ollie, Tom, Keynvor,
Rosie, Zach, Aerin, Lily, Charlie,
Emmeliah, Oscar



MATHS WHIZZ

Smart Zone Learning Time	Study Zone Learning Time	Wonder Zone Learning Time
Isobella 69 mins	Lily 130 mins	Noah 68 mins
Alex 55 mins	Eloise 98 mins	Charlie 55 mins
Freddie 53 mins	Ruby G 93 mins	Henry 54 mins

Smart Zone Gems	Study Zone Gems	Wonder Zone Gems
Alex 15	Ollie 15	Evie 6
Bodhi 5	Lily 7	Noah & Charlie 5
Tilly 4	Eloise 6	Henry 4

Attendance

Attendance w/b 2nd October 2023

Studyzone 96.83%

Wonderzone 97.27%

Busyzone 98.24%

Smartzone 97.72%

Whole School Attendance 97.40%



Diary Dates

16th October—Nasal Flu Programme

17th October—Reception Parents Meeting - How Phonics are taught in School (3.15pm)

23rd October - 27th October 2023 - Half term

2nd November—Reception Vision checks (School Nurse)

20th December - 3rd January 2024 - School Holidays

12th - 16th February 2024 - Half Term

19th February 2024 - INSET Day

29th March - 12th April 2024 - School Holidays

6th May 2024 - Bank Holiday

27th - 31st May 2024 - Half Term

17th June 2024—INSET Day

24th July 2024 - INSET Day



Word of the Week

KS1 - "Utensils" - Tools with a particular use, especially in a kitchen or house

KS2 - "Stelliferous"

Adjective: *filled with an abundance of stars*—"He looked up at the stelliferous sky and marvelled at its vastness. Was there anything out there?"

Christmas Performance 2023

The School Christmas Performance will take place on Wednesday 13th December at the Light and Life Church, Water-Ma-Trout Industrial Estate, Helston, TR13 OLW

Further details to follow!

School Development

As a school, we are always looking for ways to improve our teaching practice and the learning experience for our children. Therefore, each year we work closely with our SIP to develop an action plan for the year, identifying areas in which we could improve on as a school. These do not indicate areas in which we are failing, but rather where we feel we could enhance what the school offers and make our school even better than it already is.

I would therefore like to share with you the key areas we wish to focus on this year at Sithney, as part of our School Development Plan.

- Further develop the writing curriculum to ensure consistent implementation of the writing curriculum.
- Further develop reading across the school with a focus on refining the strategy and introduction of Accelerated Reader
- Continue to develop the foundation curriculum offer.
- Ensure leaders are well-supported to deliver high-quality CPPD and develop a hub-wide

Cross Country Events 2023 / 2024

Tuesday 7th November	Race 3	KS2	Mullion– 4pm
Tuesday 27th February	Race 4	KS2/Peninsula qualifier	Helston South Site 4pm
TBC March	Peninsula Final	KS2	TBC
TBC March	School Games Final	KS2	Newquay
Tuesday 14th May	Race 5	Reception/KS1 and KS2	Mullion 4pm
Tuesday 21st May	Race 6	KS2	<u>Porthleven</u> 4pm
Tuesday 11th June	Fun Run	KS2	Mullion 4pm

A Message from Cornwall Adult Education

We are promoting a Scratch Coding course for parents and carers in the Camborne/Redruth area. The course currently runs for 6 weeks, is free to attend and uses Scratch, which has a simple drag and drop interface. Sessions are aimed at parents and carers, so they run from 10.00 to 12.00 on Tuesdays and are designed to enable parents to work with their children independently at home exploring this fun to use program.



Adult
Education

SCRATCH



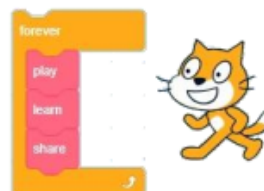
Your local Link into Learning

Develop your confidence, learn a new skill, keep active or simply have fun with an adult education **community learning** course near you.

Why not try: **Creative ICT – Scratch Coding**
Learn some basic coding; make a game!

Being held at: **Camborne Link into Learning**
on Roskear primary school site, TR14 8DJ

On: **Tuesdays 10:00 – 12:00**
Starting on 31st October
For 6 weeks



For more information, please contact the tutor:
chris.bevington@cornwall-acl.ac.uk mob: 07483 319945

It's easy to apply online today
www.cornwall.gov.uk/adultlearning
Call **0300 1231 117** Local charges apply





Dear Parents/Carers,

My name is Noah Barco and I am writing to introduce myself as I am working in Wonder Zone this term. Currently, I am training to be a teacher through Cornwall School Centred Initial Teacher Training (SCITT) and as part of my training I will be observing Mrs O'Brien. With her support, I will begin teaching some lessons in the class after half term as part of my first teaching practice.

I currently live on a goat farm in Helston with my two rabbits – Rambo and Lily! I am a qualified football coach and run the U10 girls' team for Culdrose Youth FC. Martial arts are another hobby of mine that I enjoy.

My degree was in Broadcast Journalism at the University of West London. Over the past 4 years, I have worked as a Teaching Assistant in different local primary schools. My passion is working with children, and I love being able to help them grow in their learning. It brings me a deep sense of fulfilment, and this is the reason why I have chosen to undertake my teacher training. I am really looking forward to working with the children and staff at Sithney. I have worked with primary children of all ages but I have particularly enjoyed working with children in the 3-7 age range. I love their imagination and how enthusiastic they can be towards their learning. Watching them develop is incredibly rewarding and I cannot wait to support this in my role this term. Having the opportunity to inspire future generations is a great motivator for pursuing a career in teaching.

I look forward to meeting and working with everyone at Sithney.

Yours sincerely,

Noah Barco

Let's Rocket Menu — Thursday 2nd November



LET'S ROCKET

MAINS

Rocket Dog OR
Veggie Rocket Dog

SIDES

Chips
Corn on the Cob

DESSERT

Orange & Ginger Firework Cake
with Custard

K-3 Teacher Resources Quote of the Week.



"Reading gives us
some place to go
when we have to stay
where we are."

- Mason Cooley