



# Friday Bulletin

30 APRIL 2021: TRURO SCHOOL NEWS AND UPDATES

## Prep Assembly: Light

“Think about how each one of you can bring light into the lives of others. Loads of you did it for me last week. Everytime one of you greeted me, smiled at me, chatted with me, you shone a light into my life.”

Watch this week’s assembly [here](#).

Monday 3 May

**Bank Holiday (school closed)**



## Youth Speaks: The results



Congratulations to our Youth Speaks Team: Ayesha (chair), Toby (speaker) and Nova (Vote of thanks) for their astonishing efforts this year. We have recently received the results about this year’s competition from the Rotary. In a tight competition, Truro School Prep was placed as runners-up.

The feedback from the judges was extremely positive. Our team spoke on the issue of ‘Homework: Is it a waste of time?’ We were told that Ayesha spoke with confidence and warmth, amusing the judges by setting them a homework task at the end of the presentation. We heard that Toby was a strong, measured speaker, with a well-delivered speech – a possible future politician!

Finally, that Nova brought it all together well at the end, with clear speech, adding her own examples to the argument.

This year, due to the pandemic, it wasn’t possible to run the event as usual. All entries had to be recorded and submitted to the Rotary judges by individual schools. Even the adjudication was recorded on Zoom.

Interestingly, nowhere else in Devon or Cornwall was able to go ahead with the event this year, so we feel very grateful that we were still able to take part.

Mrs Luxton



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## Year 3 Swimming Gala

Year 3 had their swimming gala this week. There was plenty of cheering for their respective houses. Stay tuned for the results.



## Year 5 Young Astronomers

Year 5 took the opportunity to take their science lesson outside this week and recreate the solar system on a sunny day.

Using a metre clicker, the young astronomers marked out where each planet would be scaled down, which took the length of the entire field. The boys stood at the fence were Neptune, which should've been another 10m further beyond the fence.

They could see the four closest to the sun (the rocky planets) were quite close together, but that the four gas giants were a huge distance from each other and from the sun. They all said that it gave them a fantastic idea of the scale of space.





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## This week in Nursery...



Children display a natural fascination with nurture and growth, so creating their own mini cress garden was no exception. Fine motor skills were enhanced as cress seeds were sprinkled delicately on the soaked cotton pad. Nurturing the seeds and the components needed for growth were aptly discussed, encouraging conversation amongst themselves about the natural world.

The children are very excited to observe their mini gardens grow!

"We heard some fantastic ideas from the children as they grew, wonderful impressions of dandelions, trees and beautiful flowers", said Mrs Hornegger.

The children grew the flowers alongside a song which was repetitive and great for memory recall. Roll play used instruments to replicate rain, scarves to represent sunshine, and moving their bodies to sway like leaves.

When the group moved to the hall, they re-enacted growing plants. The children were seeds in the dark soil, curled up into a ball, like tiny little seeds. The staff watered the children (aka seeds) to some lovely slot rhythmic music. Floaty scarves were used as sunshine and rain and the little seeds grew exquisitely slowly. They stretched up high growing, reaching up into the air, manoeuvring their bodies as tall as possible.

Pre-Prep	Stars of the Week	Work of the Week
Nursery	Max J & Rose	
RLS	Teddy	
RMJ	Boe	
1KM	Lullah	Louis
1SC	William	Henry
2PS	Henry	Albert
2CW	Oliver	Miles

## Pre-Prep Golden Book Award

Flossie



## Head's Commendations

**Olliver 6LJ** for French: for a detailed and fascinating piece of work on the French Revolution which was entirely written in French.

## House Point Form Champions

Ayden 3LL

Jensen 3SM

Sarah 4ME

Elliot 4SC

Nancy 5JE

Thomas T 5JL

Archie 5SL

Jessica & William 6DG

Naomi 6LJ

## Reading Star Awards



### Bronze Reading Awards

**4ME: Harry S.**

**6DG: Amaia**



### Silver Reading Awards

**4ME: Harris**

**3 x 5**  
**4 x 6**  
**2 x 8**  
**7 x 2**

**Times Table Challenge Certificates**

**3LL: Erys, Ben, Barnaby**

**3SM: George, Raif, Jack, Amelia, Ottelie,  
Jensen, Jakub**

**5JE: Caitlin, George**

**5JL: Thomas T**

**5SL: Archie, Knox**

**6AG: Freddy, Ameera**

**6DG: Aleksander**

**6LJ: Evie, Lola, Luca**

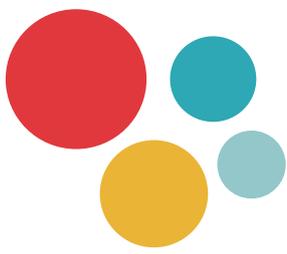
Scuba Diving



**Henry 6AG completed a PADI Discover Scuba Diving Program**



As part of his 'bigger picture' project on 'The Water Cycle', Henry worked hard planning & executing his entirely edible interpretation of the topic, it was such a masterpiece it would've been too difficult to transport to school! Fantastic work Henry.



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## Dear Parent,

Although we're starting to see signs of normality, the impact of COVID-19 is still prevalent within the schoolwear industry. The following is an important message regarding global supply chain challenges that are impacting the supply of school uniform across the UK.

**This is not just impacting Monkhouse, this is impacting all schoolwear suppliers across the UK.**

## Global Supply Chain Challenges

The availability of school uniforms across the UK is being seriously challenged by the impact of COVID-19 on global supply chains and the major disruption to worldwide shipping. This was impacted further by the recent closure of the Suez Canal.

# What does this mean for you?

This is leading to out of stocks and delays on some orders, this is likely to continue throughout summer and into Back to School.

Not only are we experiencing delays in orders, our supply chain is unable to provide accurate delivery dates into our stores and distribution centres. Subsequently, we are then unable to provide you with delivery dates.

For those parents who are affected, we apologise for any inconvenience and we're working to gain more accurate information from suppliers.

Rest assured, our teams are working tirelessly to ensure supplies are received and distributed as quickly as possible.

## What do you need to do?

If you have an outstanding order and require an update, please contact our customer service team who will do their best to answer your queries:

Tel: 0161 476 7216 – **Monday to Friday – 8.30AM to 5PM**

Email: **[web@monkhouse.com](mailto:web@monkhouse.com)**

If you need to place an order, please book an appointment at your local store or place your order online as normal. Our general stock levels are good and we are fulfilling over 90% of orders in normal time scales.

**We would like to say a big thank you for your continued support throughout this challenging period.**



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## Blackbird Pie Competition

Blackbird Pie and Frugi's Indian Summer creative competition is inspired by India (we love brightly coloured exotic animals, birds, insects and flowers.) Just send us your child's painting, drawing, photograph, collage or medium of your choice around the theme of India.

Each winner will win £50 of gorgeous organic clothes to choose from Frugi and their school will receive a £20 Frugi gift voucher. There are three prizes (one for each age groups: under 5, 5 to 7 and 8 to 10) and the top 15 entries will feature in the May/June issue of BlackbirdPie magazine.

To enter just click on the link which will take you to the competition page of the [current issue](#).

Hurry! The competition closes at 10am on Monday 10 May 2021.

The May/June digital issue of BlackbirdPie will be out very soon with lots of activities, events and places to visit in Cornwall.

**The Blackbird team**

