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Monday 4 October

Junior Kayaking @ Stithians reservoir
1.30pm-4.25pm

Tuesday 5 October

U9 netball v Truro High School (A)
2.05pm-4.15pm

U9 rugby v Polwhele School (H) 2.15pm

Wednesday 6 October

Harvest festival assemblies in year groups for pupils and staff only (Assembly Hall)

U11 rugby & U11 netball v Polwhele School (A) 1.50pm-3.40pm (2.15pm start)

Thursday 7 October

6LJ swimming at Truro School pool
1.30pm-3.30pm

Year 6 football v Threemilestone (H)
3.40pm-4.30pm

Friday 8 October

Y4 badminton festival @ Richard Lander School (A) 12.25pm-3.10pm (event 1pm-2.45pm)



This week in assemblies we have been focusing on one of our 5C values: Curiosity. We have imagined what the world would be like if nobody ever asked any questions – actually, impossible to imagine!

The desire to continually discover and learn more – in school and more widely, too, is one of the keys to being life-long learners, which is certainly something that we want to instil at Truro Prep. The children were posed the question – what makes you curious? The answers, of course, are endless but some of these areas provoked some thought:

- How things are made and how things work
- Prehistoric life – including dinosaurs and the many secrets of the past
- Space and space travel (aliens?!)
- People – and why they do what they do...
- How people are able to overcome difficult situations
- God and religions and faith
- The human body
- The animal kingdom
- Nature and the natural world
- Programming and coding – technology

We talked about the wonder of humans and their range of interests and curiosities – and that together we make up a wonderful mix of variety and diversity. Being curious helps

to develop imaginations and creativity. The children considered the following questions that we encourage you to think about as we go into the weekend:

- If you could do absolutely anything at this moment, what would you do?
- If you were to open a shop, what would you sell?
- What makes you feel loved?
- How do you show people that you care about them?
- If you had a secret cave in the forest, what would be inside?
- What makes a person wise?

We considered some words of wisdom from the late Ken Robinson who said 'if you can light the spark of curiosity in a child, they will learn without further assistance'. You may have heard the following: *'The future belongs to the curious. The ones who are not afraid to try it, explore it, poke at it, question it and turn it inside out'*. Please join us in encouraging curiosity in our children whenever and wherever you can.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend, Sarah Patterson

Notices

1. Message from Mrs Cameron

Dear Parents/Guardians

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS:

Please note the following new email address should you need to contact me re any medical matter: prepfirstaid@truroschoo.com

V&D:

It's that time of year when sickness bugs are circulating. I therefore thought it would be useful to remind you of the following:

If your child has had an episode of vomiting and/or diarrhoea, they should:

- stay at home **for at least 48 hours after the very last episode** and avoid contact with others where possible;
- get plenty of rest;
- keep hydrated by drinking lots of little sips of fluids, such as water or squash (avoid fruit juice and fizzy drinks);
- eat when they feel able to – they don't need to eat or avoid any specific foods;
- as usual, wash hands thoroughly with soap and water regularly but particularly after toilet visits and before eating and handling food.

If symptoms persist (for more than 48 hours) or other symptoms develop, phone 111 for advice.

COVID TESTS:

Further to Mr Johnson's message in last week's bulletin, a reminder that if your child has any of the three main symptoms of Covid-19 (**a high temperature; a new, continuous cough; a loss/change to sense of smell/taste**) they should isolate and be booked in straight away for a PCR test. It is also worth noting that Public Health are stating the common **symptoms of Covid in younger people** at the moment are **sore throats, fatigue and headaches**. If you are in any doubt, please carry out a Lateral Flow test before sending your child into school; if the result is positive, please remain off site and follow up with a PCR test. For any pupil who has a positive case of Covid in their household (confirmed by PCR) we are strongly advising that the whole household book PCR tests and remain off site until the results are known.

Stay well!

Best wishes

Katrina Cameron-Luzmoor

School First Aider

prepfirstaid@truroschoo.com

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2. End of day collection

If your child is being collected by another parent, friend or relative, please remember to let us know by telephoning emailing prepoffice@truroschoo.com or by telephoning the Reception office on 01872 272616.

3. Truro School Prep and Pre-Prep harvest – Wednesday 6th October

As we mentioned in last week's bulletin, we will be celebrating our school harvest next Wednesday. We would like to invite all the children and staff to bring in gifts of packet, tinned or long life food as part of the thanksgiving. These will be gifted to Truro Foodbank to use with the most at need within the city.

Foodbank have let us know that the following items are the most needed at present – but any items will be gratefully received.

- Tinned tomatoes
- Packets of rice (500g and 1kg)
- Tinned meat – (all different types)
- Cartons of long life milk
- Shower bits
- Shampoo
- Laundry liquid
- Dog and cat food

Thank you in advance.

4. 2nd Hand Uniform

Please can we remind everyone to make sure that any items brought in to the Uniform Shop are in good condition (no rips or holes), clean, pressed and current uniform. We are unable to accept any items not up to these standards. Please also remove all name labels. Unfortunately, we do not accept shirts/blouses, grey trousers/shorts or games socks.

We currently have several items that have been in stock for over 12 months. If you would like to take back your item, please collect it before October half term, otherwise, it will be donated to charity.

Thank you, Truro Uniform Shop

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All About Me

The Nursery was awash with colour and curiosity as the pupils took turns showing their classmates their 'All About Me' Boxes.

The display looked bright and welcoming, while the pupils listened beautifully as each child showed the contents of their boxes. It took real courage to talk in front of each other and share information about their family, hobbies and likes.



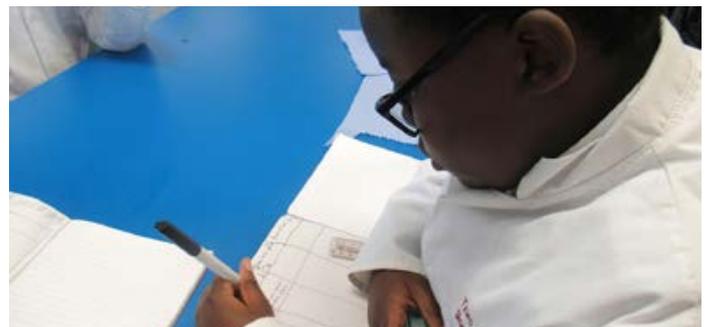
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Density Explored in Year 5

Year 5 pupils have been investigating the density of substances by measuring the MASS and calculating VOLUME.

They then used the DENSITY equation to work out the density of various materials. They concluded that those substances with a density of less than 1g/cm^3 floated and those with a density of more than water (greater than 1g/cm^3) sank.



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Creativity in Abundance in Year 2 Art

The Year 2 pupils were showing their fantastic creativity during their Wednesday Art lesson this week.

The sun was streaming through the windows of the Millenium building, providing excellent light for the budding artists. Guided by Mrs Ashdown, the class learnt about printing and pattern making and how to layer colours for striking effects. They looked at each other's work for inspiration and shared ideas.

The class was lucky to be supported by two Sixth Form students. Sophie and Soumya helped the pupils to load their stamps and roll their paint.

It was particularly lovely to see Soumya, a former pupil of Truro School Prep, helping the Year 2s. She fondly remembers her art lessons with Mrs Ashdown. Now studying Further Maths, Maths, Biology and Chemistry, she was once a founder member of Mrs Ashdown's Leonardo Art Club.



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Rest for Reception

Some of the Reception Class took a much-needed break after an afternoon of hard work.

They made the most of the sunshine and play equipment, having applied themselves diligently to their earlier literacy lesson.

The pupils were learning about nocturnal and diurnal animals and were writing about the different types they had studied in class.



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Sports Galore for Year 5 & 6 PE Lessons

The sports field and netball courts were buzzing with activity this week as the Year 5 and 6s tested their hands at a range of skills and sports.

Courage was needed to improve their tackling in rugby, whilst their teamwork and ball control was tested out in football and netball. The children made the most of the sunny day to be out and about.



Pre-Prep



The following pupils have been awarded with a Golden Book Certificate

Rose	Everly	Saffron	Hennie
Oliver B			

Head's Commendations

Louis 6LJ: for determination and perseverance on the Year 6 coastal walk. Despite falling over on numerous occasions, you still finished with a smile on your face.

House Point Form Champions

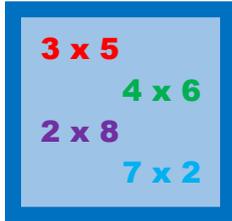
- Amaya 3LL
- Qaveem & Rory 3SM
- Alice, Jake, Teresa & Jakub 4ME
- Sophie & Daneil 4SC
- Harris 5CD
- Honey, George & Olivia 5JL
- Lowenna 5SL
- Maya 6AG
- Ben 6DG
- Perran & Freddie 6LJ

Merit Awards



Bronze Merit Awards
3LL: Daniel, William L
4CD: Maya, Megan

Maths



Times Table Challenge Certificates

3LL: Sophia, Noah, Woody, Amaya, William Sc,
Fitzwilliam, Arthur

3SM: Flossie, Emmeline, Alex, Hugo, Oliver,
Rory, Freddie

5CD: Joseph, Samuel

5JL: Matipa, Archie

5SL: Sam, Zain, Reuben

6AG: Alex, Jack

6DG: Jemima, Reggie, Oscar

6LJ: Josephine, Eli, Perran

Congratulations Oscar, 6DG

* Winner of Cornwall's Remote Control Car Racing Summer League U16. Placing 1st after an accumulation of over 35 races this season, competing with much older racers than himself.

*Voted Players' Player of the Year for Falmouth Whitehawks U11 Football team after his outstanding Goalkeeping and team loyalty and spirit.

“
Refreshingly lacking in
arrogance but quietly setting
itself up as the place
to be schooled in Cornwall.
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GOOD SCHOOLS GUIDE



**TRURO
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to seem to be

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25th - 29th October 2021

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STREET SURFING,
SWIMMING,
NERF WARS,
LOTS OF GAMES
AND EVEN MORE FUN.



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**You are invited to the Truro School of
Witchcraft and Wizardry for our
Year 6 Activity Day
on Saturday 20th November 2021
from 9.30am - 3.15pm**

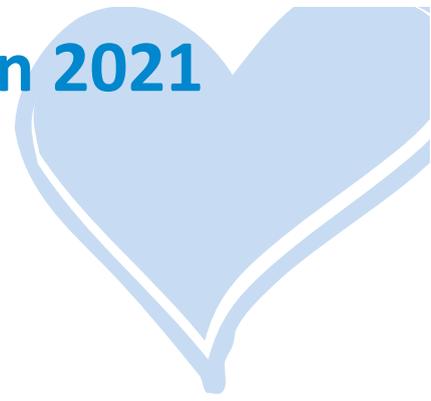
Open to any pupil currently in Year 6.
Activities will include themed activities, fun
lessons and games. Lunch will be
provided. Signup information will be sent
out to parents shortly.



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Early Help Newsletter – Autumn 2021

Free information, support and guidance



Parenting Support Courses

We are continuing to support parents and carers and offer interactive parenting courses both online and face to face groups to ensure we are offering a full service to parents / carers in the safest way. Service requests will continue to be received through the Early Help Hub.

www.cornwall.gov.uk/earlyhelphub

The courses available will be:

- Being Passionate About Parenting - Early Years 1 - 3 years (3 x 1½ hours)
- Being Passionate About Parenting - 4 - 11 years (3 x 1½ hours)
- Being Passionate About Being Calm - 4 – 11 years (1 x 2 hours)
- Being Passionate About Parenting with basic introduction and an awareness to ADHD- 5 – 11 years (3 x 1½ hours)
- Being Passionate About Parenting with a basic introduction and awareness about the “Spectrum” 5 – 11 years (4 x 1½ hours)
- Being Passionate About Parenting – The Teenage Brain 12 -17 years (3 x 1½ hours)
- Take 3 – Supporting Teenagers 12 – 17 years (5 x 2 hours)

Future Highlight

- Introduction to Teenagers with ADHD Traits
- Introduction to Teenagers with Autistic Traits
- Introduction to Teenagers with Sensory Challenges

All 2 ½ hour sessions. These are optional add-on sessions following completion of Take 3 (if relevant).

Just for Dads

You can also find information tailored just for you on the Family Information Service –

<https://www.supportincornwall.org.uk/fordads>

facebook

For further updates and information on what’s happening in your area visit us on Facebook:

www.facebook.com/PenwithFamilyHubs

www.facebook.com/KerrierFamilyHubs

www.facebook.com/CarrickFamilyHubs

www.facebook.com/RestormelFamilyHubs

www.facebook.com/NorthCornwallFamilyHubs

www.facebook.com/CaradonFamilyHubs

Family Information Services

For useful parenting information, updates on parenting programmes including face to face delivery and Parenting Podcasts please access the Family Information Service website –

www.supportincornwall.org.uk

Need help?

Contact the Early Help Hub on 01872 322277 for support, advice and guidance.

If you have immediate concerns or are worried about a child or young person's safety, please telephone the Multi Agency Referral Unit (MARU) on 0300 123 1116





Parents and carers wellbeing workshops providing support to help you navigate the journey of raising a child in a fast-changing world. Delivered through a series of multimedia workshops for parents and carers living in Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly. Designed to help you get a better understanding of the everchanging world your child is growing up in, to guide you to available services and support and to promote helpful conversation.

For further information please visit:

www.headstartkernow.org.uk
www.facebook.com/TFFCornwall



Parents can struggle at one time or another. For some, the challenges can be greater. You are not alone.

Home-Start's volunteers work alongside families just like yours to give compassionate and confidential support. They help people to regain the confidence to be the parents they want to be.

'Walk, Talk and Play' Groups in June and July to book your place contact:

julia@homestartkernow.org.uk

or take a look at the website:

<http://homestartkernow.org.uk>

Useful Links

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/childrens-services/early-help/useful-websites-for-early-help/>

Provides useful links to other areas of support.

<https://solihullapproachparenting.com/>

Access to resources about becoming a parent or being a parent from children aged 6 months to 19 years including children with additional needs and children's health and wellbeing.

Free Access Code: TAMAR

www.autism.org.uk

For families and individuals on the autism spectrum. Providing support, guidance and advice, as well as campaigning for improved rights, services and opportunities.

www.adhdfoundation.org.uk

Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder Foundation actively promotes a strength-based approach to living successfully with ADHD and other 'neurodiverse minds', such as, dyslexia, dyspraxia, autism spectrum, dyscalculia and Tourette's syndrome.

www.addiss.co.uk

The National Attention Deficit Disorder Information and Support Service. Providing people-friendly information and resources.

www.pdasociety.org.uk

Pathological Demand Avoidance Society offer Information, support and training for PDA.

[PDA Together | Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/PDAtogether)

For parents and individuals to support and inform each other within the world of PDA.

www.capt.org.uk

The Child Accident Prevention Trust, working to reduce the number of children and young people killed, disabled or seriously injured in accidents.

If you would like this information in another format, please contact:

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Email: equality@cornwall.gov.uk Telephone: **0300 1234 100**