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Head Teacher: Mrs Ellie Watkins

13th October 2023

Dear parents/carers and families,

The children have had lots more experiences this week -with Trevose and Tater Du heading out on exciting trips to Bodmin Jail and Discovery 42 Science museum also in Bodmin. Curriculum subjects and learning is in full swing, with children becoming real experts in their subjects and learning. It is so lovely to see how excited they are and how much they are enjoying their learning at the moment. You will have noticed that since we have been back at school, the dates section of the newsletter has mentioned that there will be a Showcase afternoon on Wednesday 18th October from 2pm. This is an opportunity for all parents to come along and see the learning in class. Children will have their books available and staff will be on hand for a chat. The children may have something to show you, a little performance or reading, and they will share their newfound knowledge of their topics with you. It is important for the learning process for the children to be able to perform, share and teach what they have learnt to other people. It not only builds their confidence, it helps them to recall key facts and so remember their learning over the long term. It develops the neural pathways in the brain responsible for learning, and so we feel it is really important. Please keep your eyes peeled on Seesaw as classes might share extra information about this, for example, if they have a short song or performance, then they might specify when they will perform. Due to our safeguarding obligations, we ask that you come into school via the front main reception door please, no earlier than 2pm as classes will be setting up and staff will not be on hand to let you in. You are welcome to leave early with your children after this, but please tell the class teacher so that they can tick them off the register. The gates will be opened at 3.15 as usual for those that can only make normal pick up times.

Learning is really central to all we do here, so we would like to draw your attention to one of our clubs after half term. On Thursdays, we will be running homework club. Mrs Polglase and Mrs Garland are providing time and help for children who struggle with their homework. It can be really hard to get everything into family life, sometimes homework can be a really stressful thing for families to manage to fit in. However, homework is a crucial part of children's learning. Learning outside of the usual school day and completing their homework really does make a huge difference to a child's ability, progress and confidence over the year. Please do take the opportunity to send your child to homework club to make sure home learning is completed and supported, if it is tricky at home. Remember to book in your space with Miss Young in the office, via email.

Can I ask all families to please support learning at school by making sure children are not bringing toys or fidgets into school. This includes slime, sports cards, small toys, money etc. This is causing significant disruption in class during learning time and also at playtimes where children are swapping and giving each other "gifts" which results in lots of arguments and upset children. Gifts should be exchanged between





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parents/families and not at school between children. Unless your child has an official and specific plan relating to a sensory need they will be removed from the child, and parents will be asked to collect toys from the office. Please speak with your child to make sure that they know that school is not the place for these things. Your help is very much appreciated!

Finally, I am really pleased to let you know that after some really exciting interviews last week, we have appointed Miss Bella Yabsley as our new SEN TA to support one of our children. Miss Yabsley impressed everyone hugely last week, in the formal interviews and tasks with children. She has worked in several schools and has a wealth of experience with SEN. Her warm, caring approach, enthusiasm and energy are going to fit in beautifully with our team and we are really looking forward to welcoming her to our community.

With warmest wishes

Mrs Ellie Watkins

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Finley C for always trying his best

Lighthouse Keeper Award Longships – Georgia for showing diligence and resilience in her writing Trevose – Bonnie for being diligent in her writing. She has turned into a writing superstar! Tater Du – William G for consistent good behaviour for learning Class Weekly Attendance Longships – Oliver Trevose – Rosie Tater Du – Toby R Class Weekly Attendance Tater Du – 94.7%





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School Meals – week beginning 16th October

Week 3 Cost £2.65 per meal



FOKS



FOKS had a great day on Saturday at Apple Day at The Kehelland Trust, it was such a lovely community event and full of things to see and do, would highly recommend. FOKS raised £120 doing a tombola and treasure map competition. Thank you to all who came along. And a big thank you to FOKS!

Christmas Cards

The children have been busy designing their Christmas cards. These will soon be able to purchase online via Class Fundrasing. FOKS will receive a commission from every purchase which will help towards fundrasing for the school. More detials to follow when purchasing is available. Prices are below:

12 Christmas cards & envelopes £5.30 10 Gift tags £2.35 Wrapping paper x 5 £5.10 Mugs £6.40 Tea towel £8.26 Eco bags £9.50 Coasters £7.20 Plus more gifts will be on the website.





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Clubs

Below is the list of clubs for after October Half term. To sign your child up, please email the office, kehelland@tpacademytrust.org. Please be aware that clubs have restricted numbers. Clubs run between 3:15pm - 4:15pm and are free.

- Monday SATs club with Miss Lewis (Year 6 only)
- Monday Arts & Crafts club with Mrs Collett
- Tuesday Construction Club with Mrs Davies
- Thursday Homework Club with Mrs Polglase & Mrs Garland
- Thursday Football Club (KS2 Only) with Mr Eva
- Friday Multi Skills Sports Club with Mr Eva
- Friday Feel good Friday Club with Miss Browning

Road Closure

Please note that Cornwall Council are intending to close Treswithian Downs from the 16th October to 17th October between the hours of 9:30am – 3:30pm.

Headlice

There has been a reported case of headlice. Please ensure you check your child for headlice.

Read Write Inc Meeting – 2nd November

The Pebbles are making great progress in their Phonics learning. They have now learned 20 letter sounds! Mrs Davies will be holding a meeting at 6pm on Thursday 2nd November for paretns to find out how the Read Write Inc scheme works. She will be explaining how best to support your child at home with their learning. Any parents of older children using the RWI scheme are welcome to attend.





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Diary Dates - Term dates can be found on our website

18th October 2023 Showcase afternoon – From 2pm

19th October 2023 National Child Measurement Program for Year 6 & Reception

23rd – 27th October 2023 October Half Term

30th October 2023 Inset Day

31st October 2023 Return to School

2nd November 2023 Read Write Inc Meeting with Mrs Davies at 6pm

3rd November 2023 Autumn Celebration

15th November 2023 Choir Fest Trip

16th November 2023 Reception Class Vision Screening

23rd November 2023 FOKS AGM

13th December 2023 Rocksteady Concert for Rocksteady Children

15th December 2023 Panto at the Hall for Cornwall

18th December 2023 KS1 Nativity Afternoon & Evening – Details TBC

19th December 2023 Christmas Party

19th December 2023 Break Up for Christmas Holidays

4th January 2024 Return to School

12th – 16th February 2023 February Half Term

28th March 2024 Break up for Easter Holidays

30th March 2024 Easter Trail

15th April 2024 Return to School

