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Head Teacher: Mrs Ellie Watkins

3rd February 2023

Dear parents/carers and families,

This week I was overjoyed to be invited in to Longships class to see some of their learning. The children were excitedly using the Ipads to take photos. They were managing to understand a range of vocabulary relating to photography and digital art, and honing their motor skills to "pinch and zoom" and rotate images. I must admit I started to feel a little bit like my mum. I remember when I was younger, trying to explain how a mobile phone worked and being puzzled by her pausing, and holding it further away from herself (at arms length!) to be able to see it. I realised, looking at the excitement on the children's faces, that I have become old! Not actually, physically old (although I am no spring chicken!) but old in the sense that the world is moving so quickly and technology and education move at such a fast pace that I am becoming out-dated! The absolute joy of education is that things do change, and do move forward. We are using technology and the science of how brains develop, to teach children effectively now. We chase the gold standard of education to ensure that our children are prepared for a word that isn't even with us yet. This is so exciting and the children at Kehelland are so lucky to have such a dedicated staff team who are always working hard to make sure outcomes for children are at the heart of all they do. We are also very lucky to be able to invest in new ways forward and training to make sure we are always at the forefront of the best learning pedagogy. I am always very excited when I go into classrooms and see such joyful, successful learners making great memories.

I would like to say a huge thank you to Shirley Thompson who has made an incredible effort on sorting out the mess of the flower bed at the front of the school. With spring on the way the grounds will need quite a bit of TLC, so we will need to arrange a community day to get it up to scratch — watch this space! I am very grateful to all of you in the community who have recently offered help and services to improve the school for the children....grounds wise and after school clubs wise! I want them and us to be proud of every last bit of our school — even the bits that look a bit tatty now, and I know with your help we will be. Thank you.

This week, and next week, we are trying a new approach to lunchtimes. Teachers are trialling sitting with children in the hall to have a chat and model polite conversation! I must admit I thoroughly enjoyed it yesterday, and it was a real joy to check in with the children in a more informal way.

Finally, with the end of term in sight can I just send a reminder to ask that families make sure that children have the correct equipment with them each day. PE kits and coats are really important. We all forget things from time to time, and this isn't the end of the world at all. However, we are finding that repeatedly many children are forgetting coats and PE kits every week. Children really must have PE kits in school for their PE sessions which are on the same days each week — please contact your child's class teacher if you are not





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sure what day this is. Classroom staff will ring home if a child does not have a PE kit in school and will ask for it to be brought in. Health, hygiene and safety wise, it is important that sweaty tops and shoes are changed! If there are any problems with obtaining PE kit, or the cost or anything else please always give us a shout and we will always do our best to help. Please don't suffer in silence!

With warmest wishes as always

Mrs Ellie Watkins

Headteacher

Kehelland Shining Light

Finley C – for always being positive, sharing excellent manners, working hard and embodying our motto

Lighthouse Keeper Award

Longships – Madison for working hard on her presentation of her work

Trevose – Robyn for always doing the right thing

Tater Du – Finley

Reader of the Week Award

Longships – Endolyn

Trevose – Livi

Tater Du – Toby L





Our recent School Council meeting





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Do you know that we have a new school Facebook page? For updates and photos of some of our adventures, please see:

https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100085329141404



Early Breakfast & After School Clubs Reminder

Please ensure that you book with the office via email no later than 48 hours before. This then helps us to ensure we have staffed efficiently. We understand that sometimes there may be times when there is an emergency crops up and you will need to make a last minute booking.

After School clubs

Please sign up for after school clubs for next half term. After school clubs run between **15:15 – 16:15** apart from **Cookery, which runs between 15:15 – 16:30**. You must sign up your child/children to club you wish them to join. All clubs have a limit on numbers. You must sign up to clubs even if your child as attended the club this half a term.

Please email kehelland@tpacademytrust.org to sign up.

Monday – Arts & Crafts Club with Mrs Collett - *Please note there will be no art club on the 6th March*

Tuesday – Construction Club with Mrs Davies

Tuesday – SATS Maths revision club with Miss Lewis – Year 6 only

Wednesday – Cookery Club with Miss Young (cost £1 to cover the cost of ingredients, paid via

BACs please) Years 3 – 6 only

Wednesday – Maths Club with Miss Bev. Years 4 – 6 only

Thursday – Football Club with Mr Eva. Years 3 – 6 only

Friday – Tennis Club with Mr Eva

The usual after school wrap around care will still be available between 15:15-17:00. This must be booked into by emailing the office no later than 48 hours before. The cost is £7.00 per child. Siblings will be at a reduced rate of £3.50. If you child is doing a club between 15:15-16:15/16:30 and requires afterschool club care after the club, this will be charged at the same price. This is simply because we would need to pay staff for the entire time and costs for us would be the same as if your child was attending from 15:15. If your child/children is booked into after school club or breakfast club and does not attend, you will still be charged as we still have to cover staff costs for planned attendance.





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Payments Reminder

Just a quick reminder about payments. The office no longer accepts cash payments. All payments must be made via BACs. Please ensure when making your payment that the reference is filled out in the below format and with a reference for what the payment is for. Many thanks.

Bank details are:

A/c name: Truro & Penwith Academy Trust (TPAT)

A/c No: 39582568 Sort Code: 30-98-76

Ref: PKH/child's surname/a reference for what the payment is for i.e. Lunch

School Meals – week beginning 6th February Week 3

Cost £2.41 per meal



Diary Dates	
13 th – 17 th February 2023	Half Term
28 th & 29 th March 2023	Parents evening – details to follow
31 st March 2023	End of term
17 th April 2023	Inset day
18 th April 2023	Return to School
9 th May – 12 th May 2023	KS2 SATs week
29 th May – 2 nd June	Half Term
5 th June 2023	Return to School
25 th July 2023	End of term