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Head Teacher: Mrs Ellie Watkins

3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023

Dear parents/carers and families,

What an eventful and slightly shorter week back we've had! I do hope that you are all safe and well, without too much damage to property after the storm. We really appreciate all your emails of support — closing the school is never, ever something we want to do. On this occasion, it was the right thing to do. Our staff have to drive in from Helston way, down lanes and over the tops, and the Truro area, and we just couldn't get enough staff in safely. They have had some significant damage to their properties and it was rather extreme in some spots! Similarly, so many of our families drive to school we would have been heartbroken if anything had happened to anyone while trying to drive in. I must admit I am always a bit sceptical of the dramatic weather reports, hence why we leave it until we need to worry before making any decisions. I hope you did all have enough notice and were safe — sincere apologies for the inconvenience we know it must have caused.

On Tuesday to celebrate our return we did have a bit of a surprise for children in Tater Du and Trevose class. Kernow King and his merry band of actors came into school to do a workshop on local history with Tater Du and deliver an incredible performance to KS2. We had such fun learning about mining in the past, and the new developments that are happening in our county with Lithium being highly sought after - and just this week mining restarting in Cornwall. It was great from children to learn about some key Cornish figures and top up their cultural capital! We had such fun and we thank Kernow King for his hard work and enthusiasm – he loved our wonderful school and children. They really are superstars!

As we come back to school and start to think about Christmas (yes I know, I am sorry I mentioned that so early!) can I remind parents that often if you are in need of some information about dates, events, clubs etc then there are several ways to find out information. I suspect it will get busy this half term with events! Firstly please check Seesaw or ask the teacher who is likely to know, then our website and Facebook page have loads of information on them and usually everything you need to know. Our newsletter has dates as far in advance as we can get them. Check your junk emails as lots of you are finding emails we have sent out are going into the wrong box, meaning you are not always hearing about what we are doing. Between Miss Young and I, we get hundreds of emails every day. While we will always respond to you, it might take several days unless it is an emergency. If there is an emergency or urgent query can I please ask you to phone the school, as emails may not be picked up promptly. If there is no answer please do leave a message – we get these as soon as we are free and can ring you back if needed.

Finally this evening it is the Autumn celebration run by FOKS -thank you FOKS! Everything that they do is for the good of the school and to benefit our children. We are very excited and love this event! We are looking





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forward to seeing as many of you as possible. Please park with care in the dark, and avoid parking in the close opposite if at all possible. Kehelland trust have kindly said they will leave their car park unlocked for us so please do park and walk if you can.

With warmest wishes

Mrs Ellie Watkins

Head teacher

## Kehelland Shining Light

Jowan B for outstanding manners around school

Lighthouse Keeper Award		Reader of the Week Award	
Longships – Chloe for showing diligence & sensitivity in her RE work		Longships – Jowan S  Trevose – Jack	
Trevose – Aalayah for being an outstanding member of Trevose and such a responsible learner		Tater Du – Grace	
Tater Du — Izzy for creating some really great work & recognising when to ask for help to make her work even better			
Class Weekly Attendance			
Longships – 100%	Trevose – 100%		Tater Du – 100%

School Meals – week beginning 6<sup>th</sup> November

Week 2

Cost £2.65 per meal







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## Read Write Inc Meeting – 9<sup>th</sup> November (Rearranged from the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 9<sup>th</sup> 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.

## **Cancelled Clubs**

Due to staff training, the following after school care has been cancelled:

- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November After school club and homework club. Football club will still be running.
- Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November After school club and construction club.

Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

## **Poppies**

During morning break time next week, poppies are being sold for Remembrance. Please send your child in with some change if you wish to support this cause. Thank you.





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**Diary Dates** - Term dates can be found on our website

3rd November 2023 Autumn Celebration - 5:30 – 7:00pm

7<sup>th</sup> November 2023 Nasal Flu Immunisations

9<sup>th</sup> November 2023 Read Write Inc Meeting with Mrs Davies at 6pm

15<sup>th</sup> November 2023 Choir Fest Trip

16<sup>th</sup> November 2023 Reception Class Vision Screening

17<sup>th</sup> November 2023 Children in Need – Wear spotty socks for a £1 donation

23<sup>rd</sup> November 2023 FOKS AGM

28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> November 2023 Parents Evenings, 15:15 – 17:30 - Details TBC

13<sup>th</sup> December 2023 Rocksteady Concert for Rocksteady Children

13<sup>th</sup> December 2023 Showcase Afternoon from 2pm

15<sup>th</sup> December 2023 Panto at the Hall for Cornwall

18<sup>th</sup> December 2023 KS1 Nativity Afternoon & Evening – Details TBC

19<sup>th</sup> December 2023 FOKS Christmas Party

19<sup>th</sup> December 2023 Break Up for Christmas Holidays at 1:15pm

4<sup>th</sup> January 2024 Return to School

12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> February 2023 February Half Term

28<sup>th</sup> March 2024 Break up for Easter Holidays

30<sup>th</sup> March 2024 Easter Trail

15<sup>th</sup> April 2024 Return to School

