

Head Teacher: Mrs Ellie Watkins

24th March 2023

Dear parents/carers and families,

An excellent time has been had by all this week! Trevose went off on their adventures to the Minack Theatre, all children were incredibly well behaved and had a wonderful time. The photographs on our Facebook page are absolutely gorgeous! Tater Du have been getting their dancing shoes on and rehearsing for the Trevithick Day dancing and Longships are doing an excellent job caring for their Tadpoles – which are fast becoming school celebrities with everyone wanting to have a look at them.

It is important to remember that the children are also doing a lot of good for others in their charity work, raising money. This week I had a wonderful letter from Jan at the Charlie's Star charity. Some of our tuck money fundraising goes to them to complete their good work. She wanted to let us know about some exciting news – I am so proud of the school community for raising funds for such a good cause.

'Thought I'd drop you a quick line to give you an update on Charlie's Star Charity and thank Kehelland School for it's continued support. Since the school started raising money for us you have raised an incredible £521.55. I would be hugely grateful if you can let the staff, children and parents know as I think they all need to be so proud of their amazing fundraising efforts, and the difference it makes to local bereaved families. We are receiving applications from lots of families and continue to work hard to raise our profile to ensure we reach as many bereaved families as we can. Each application we receive is always a reminder that the charity was set up in memory of our little boy. A really lovely way staff and families could support us is if they're visiting Tesco's in Truro. Charlie's Star has been selected by Tesco's Community Fund and from April nominated to receive proceeds from their Blue Token Scheme. The more tokens we receive, the more money the Charity will be allocated. I'd also like to share with Kehelland School that Charlie's Star is attending Armed Forces Day in Falmouth on the 24th June 2023. We will have a stand that will be doing hair braiding and face painting – and hopefully we'll raise a little bit of money as well.'

Please do continue to support the charity if you see them out and about, it is such a worthwhile cause.

After the Easter Holidays we will be launching the new payment system, Parent Pay. After the holidays, please log in to ParentPay to book/pay for lunches, after school and breakfast clubs and all trips. Please make all payments after the holidays via this platform as our finances are managed centrally via TPAT, our multi academy trust. We are hoping that soon you will be able to choose your child's school meals via the platform while you pay for them – watch this space! Miss Young in the office is doing a fab job getting her head around the new system – but as with all new things we ask you to bear with us as it is all a bit unfamiliar!





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Our learning time each day starts at 8.45am, with our reading lessons or assemblies. Our timetable is ever so packed, trying to squeeze in lots of lovely learning. The same is true of our building as classes often break into small groups and use the hall and library for learning in groups right away. We understand that children can sometimes have a wobble when they come into school, but can we ask parents that if they need to come into the building in the morning with their child, to come in via the front entrance only from next week and not through the playground. If you need to quickly nip in to get a PE kit and dash out again then that's fine, but we are really struggling to get our learning off to a good start as parents are sometimes in learning spaces with children. Similarly, from a safeguarding point of view, we need to know exactly who we have on site after the gates close at 8.45am – and sometimes we don't because we are all so busy with learning! We really appreciate your help with this, it is a tricky design feature of the building having everything attached to one central space!

Finally, we have had lots of questions this week about football. To clarify, the children are allowed to play football at lunchtimes. The only time they cannot play football is if it is very wet and muddy, if there is staff sickness so that there isn't a staff member to supervise the game fully or if children cannot play safely/argue. We would like children to have lots to do at playtime and appreciate that they need to play, but when play becomes unsafe we do have to step in and stop them playing it for a short time. We know that we need to look further into making playtimes as fun as possible and are planning to introduce den building equipment and so on – please bear with us while we implement this. We are also asking staff to wear high vis vests at playtime now, so that children can always find an adult if there are any issues. We appreciate your support with ensuring children have a safe and respectful attitude to playtimes.

Unbelievably next week is the last week of the spring term – don't forget the clocks changing this weekend! I can't believe it is summertime already – well Cornish summertime, with the mizzle and strong winds!

With warmest wishes as always

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Kehelland Shining Light				
Eliott J				
Lighthouse Keeper Award		Reader of the Week Award		
Longships – Reuben for showing diligence in his		Longships – Kitto		
writing		Trevose – Sennen		
Trevose – Eleanor U for fantastic behaviour on the trip to the Minack		Tater Du – Finn G		
Tater Du – James G perseverance & resilience				
Class Weekly Attendance				
Longships – 97.9%	Trevose – 96.5%		Tater Du – 95.3%	

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



Please note that next Friday (31.03.23), school will close at 1:15pm. There will be no after school club on this day.

Please note there is NO swimming next week.

There is no SATs club next week due to Parents evening

Parent helper needed

We require a Parent helper to accompany Mrs Arnold and the Year 5s to Troon School on Tuesday 18th April. They will leaving school at 1pm. Please get in touch with the office if you would like to volunteer. Many thanks.

Miss Lewis, James G & Millie C have created a whole school maths challenge. There is a challenge for each class. Collect the challenges from your class teachers. Prizes will be given out on Fridays. This will be a weekly event.













Trevose had a fun filled time at the Minack yesterday. We learnt all about how Rowena Cade built the Minack with help from her gardener. Trevose then got to explore backstage including the dressing rooms which had the most amazing views. We then did some fab' drama workshops inspired by Macbeth.







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After School clubs

Please sign up for after school clubs for next half term. After school clubs run between **15:15 – 16:15**. 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 has attended the club this half a term.**

Please email kehelland@tpacademytrust.org to sign up. Monday – Arts & Crafts Club with Mrs Collett Monday – Board Games Club with Mrs Hollywood Tuesday – Construction Club with Mrs Davies Tuesday – SATS Maths revision club with Miss Lewis – Year 6 only Wednesday – Maths Club with Miss Bev. Years 4 – 6 only Thursday – Gardening Club with Mrs Thompson – **This club will run for 4 weeks on 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th May** 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.

Easter Egg Trail – Sunday 2nd April

Cornhill Farm with Kehelland School Easter Egg Trail



The PTSCA, school council and Cornhill Farm are running an Easter trail on Sunday 2nd April from 10-12 at Cornhill Farm. £3 per child entry (cash on the day). Parents will need to accompany their children. Please can you book child places so we have an idea on numbers by letting us know through the school office. Refreshments available. Please look out for our poster in the week and Facebook advert. This is a public event but we are prioritising places to children at the school. We are also looking for volunteers to help us on the day. If you can help please let





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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.

School Meals – week beginning 27th March Week 1 Cost £2.41 per meal



Headlice

We have had case of headlice reported. Could you please check your child/children for headlice. Many thanks.

Diary Dates			
28 th & 29 th March 2023	Parents evening		
31 st March 2023	End of term at 1:15pm		
2 nd April 2023	Easter Egg trail – details for follow		
17 th April 2023	Inset day		
18 th April 2023	Return to School at 8:30am		
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		

