ST. MADDERN'S C OF E SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER—FRIDAY 14th OCTOBER HEADTEACHER: Miss H Pearce



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CONCERT FOR DEREK KITT

The children in Class 2 have been invited to sing at a special concert at St Mary's CofE Church in Penzance on **Wednesday 19th October** to celebrate the memory of Cornwall Music Education Advisor Derek Kitt who did such a lot to support young peoples' music making in Penwith.

Our school will be performing one piece on their own as well as two items with other Penwith primary schools. The concert begins at **2pm** and we will transport the children to the church after lunch in time for a brief rehearsal at **1:15pm**. The concert is free to attend and I hope you will be able to join us. Please note that we will not be back at school until approximately **3:15pm**.

TRERICE THANK YOU

Thank you to all who helped with the trip to Trerice on Tuesday. It obviously takes a lot of organisation to enable the whole school to go out on a visit. We make this effort as it is part of our immersive learning within the school and it has a real impact on learning as it brings the topic alive for children. We are blessed to be able to visit great Tudor houses within our own county. Special thanks goes to Carl Adams, who fixed our "poorly minibus" on Monday very quickly to enable us to go on Tuesday.

DON'T FORGET

People in the village who want to come in for a lunch in the school canteen can call the office and arrange it. Lunch with the pupils costs £1.20.

IMPORTANT

It's our Autumn Fayre next **Friday 21st October at 2pm.** All the children will be setting up stalls and games. Please do come along and join in the fun. If anyone is able to donate cakes etc. on the day that would be great. We are also looking for donations of books, games and toys too. Please just send into school. Many thanks. All money raised will go towards the School Fund.

After half-term the school will be welcoming Challenge Partners to school for 2.5 days to observe teaching and learning within the school. This is a wonderful opportunity for the children to show how much progress they have been making this term already.

COFFEE MORNING

Next **Tuesday 18th October at 8.45-9.45am**, Sue Cripps will be holding a meeting to support parents with routines with their children. She will be giving plenty of helpful hints and advice. All parents are welcome. Coffee and doughnuts will be served.

SCHOOL BANK

The School Bank will be open as usual **every Thursday from 8.30am**. You can start saving for Christmas. Parents are also able to open an account if they wish. £1 will be added to the account of anyone who saves for 10 weeks.

PENWITH BASKETBALL

Well done to the children who represented our school at the Penwith basketball competition at Mounts Bay Academy. Whilst we did not win, the children did a brilliant job and competed like true champions.

PHONICS WORKSHOP

Thanks to all who attended the phonics workshop on Thursday morning and to Mrs Miles and Fay Smith who delivered the workshop. It was so good to see such a good turnout of parents wanting to find out more about how to help their children at home with reading.

PLANTING THANKS

Thanks to Michelle – our garden expert, who has been coming in regularly to help the children with planting and weeding. I know the children really enjoy getting out in the garden.

Thanks also to Uncle Percy – who has donated plants and bulbs to the school. We looking forward to seeing all the bulbs coming up in the Spring time.

BUTTON COLLECTION

Class 1 are collecting buttons for maths. If anyone has any old buttons which they could donate I would be really grateful! Any size, shape or colour very much welcomed please.

HEADTEACHERS AWARD

Noah, for being very focused on learning this week and for asking difficult questions and finding out more on our school trip.

CORE VALUES AWARD

Calan for responsibility in showing a younger boy how to behave well on a school trip.

STAR READERS

CLASS 1: Charlie, Harry, Lilly, Lowenna

CLASS 2: Harry = 5, Jake = 6, Noah = 4, Rhys = 5

SUPER SPELLERS

Alexa and Aggie

READING KARATE

Charlie, Riley = White Band; Harry, Lilly = Orange Band

LUNCH TIME AWARD

Isabella for offering to help

TEDDY BEAR AWARD

Tegan for making friends with the other children

ATTENDANCE FIGURES

CLASS 1: 93.8%, CLASS 2: 86.7%

DATES FOR THE DIARY

21.10.16 Autumn Fayre 2-3:45pm

24.10.16-02.11.16 HALF TERM

8.11.16 Camborne Music Festival

21.11.16 Whole School Assessment Week

22.11.16 Hearing screening

28.11.16 INSET (Madron Feast)

FILM CLUB

Film club - reminder to bring popcorn money in if you would like to buy popcorn to eat during the film - 30p.

SCHOOL FACEBOOK GROUP

A reminder to all parents that there is school Facebook group, where news and information will be posted. Search Facebook/St Madderns. It is a private group, with details and posts only accessible to members.

SCHOOL MEALS

School meals are £2.30 per day. If your child has a school meal Mon - Thursday there is a discounted offer where Friday is free. Please pay in a named envelope and hand in to Mrs Prichard in the school office.