Friday 27th February 2015

Dear Parents/Carers

Well done to all our children who participated in the Young American initiative – performing on Wednesday night at Penzance Leisure Centre. It was certainly an all singing and dancing performance, and the children were brilliant. I have had plenty of great feedback from the children about how much they enjoyed the event and also how much they learnt. Please see the website for pictures.

Well done to James and Tierhi who participated in the first of 5 Art days at Trewidden Gardens. They were excellent ambassadors for our school and I am looking forward to see what great work they produce.

Years 3 and 4 are swimming this half term. I was very impressed with them last week. Please can you ensure that your child has a swimming hat. Please note there will be no swimming next Tuesday 3 March.

On Wednesday St Maddern’s will be celebrating World Book Day. This year we are having a pirate theme. Please could children come dressed linked to this theme, if they are able.

On Thursday years 4,5 and 6 children will be participating in St Piran’s Day celebrations. The children will be dancing the normal route. We will be meeting at Penzance Leisure centre at 9.30 am and then begin dancing from the top of Causewayhead ending up in Morrab Gardens. Please do come and join in the fun if you can. Please can children ensure that they have clean jumpers for the day and wear coats to school - just in case the weather is not good.

Also on Thursday 5 March, to celebrate St Piran’s Day, the school kitchen will be cooking Cornish Pasties. Please see the menu on the bottom door

On Friday afternoon, years 5 and 6 have been invited to Mounts Bay to see a performance of Annie - The Musical. We will be having an early lunch to arrive there for 12.30. The performance finishes at 3pm so I anticipate we will be back between 3.15 and 3.30 pm.

Thank you to Mr Tim and Mr Alan Figg who have been busy with DIY at school. The school now has its own children’s practical kitchen area with units and lowered worktop especially for children. We will be having a grand opening very soon. They have also done a fantastic job in the playground and fixing the shed. It’s a massive improvement to our school – so thank you.

Other notices:

Cornwall Chidren’s Centre is holding a free information session regarding funding for 2 year olds. Please see attached poster.

St Mary’s C of E School is hosting a two day sports camp. This is taking place on Wednesday 8 April and Thursday 9 April. The attached poster gives full details.

There is an opportunity for girls in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 to develop their interests and skills in a new Girls Football Development Centre based at Mounts Bay Academy. Please see the posters on the parent’s entrance. There are also leaflets available on the table giving further details.

Madron Well Wishers have organised a ‘Don’t Leave Litter’ poster competition, to which the children can enter. I have seen some great designs already. Their posters need to be coloured in and their name and age put on the back of the poster. I will ensure that they are entered for the competition. Please bring them in by Wednesday next week.

Active Kids Vouchers – please bring in any vouchers you receive when you are shopping at Sainsbury’s. There is an Active Kids box on the table by the parent’s entrance, please put them in the box.

I would like to welcome Miss Katie Clark to St Maddern’s who is working as an Apprentice TA in the school. She comes all the way from Australia originally.

Well done to Grace Whitton who today swam a whole length of the swimming pool by herself.

Headteacher’s Award:

Nathan Maguire for being fantastically focused in maths and literacy.

Star readers:

Noah Garcia-Townsend, Grace Whitton, Kayden Salmon-Curtin, Libby Arnold, Isabella Garcia-Townsend, Jake Thomas

Super Spellers:

Jowan Tonkin, Kelci Prowse, Kyra Rayment, Maisie Fox, Faith Charman, Harry Figg, Nathan Maquire, Calan Tonkin

Meal time award: Aiden Arnold for showing such good manners in the dinner hall.

Pre-School: Erin Moffatt-Banks for settling back into the pre-school routine after half term.

Would parents of children in the pre-school please provide a spare set of clothes and bring them in in a named carrier bag. Also could they bring in wellies as the weather is hopefully going to improve and the children will be outdoors participating in activities.

Dates for the Diary

9.3.15 Peagusus Award presentation to parent and children (main hall) 2.45pm

11.3.15 Full Governors Meeting

12.3.15 First Aid course for children (Y2-6)

16.3.15 Vision Screening

18.3.15 Dress rehearsal for Easter performance

25.3.15 Easter performance 2pm main hall

27.3.15 Break up

Best wishes,

Helen Pearce