



Madron Daniel CofE school

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Friday 12th February

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well done! We have all made it to half term. You have helped with your child's learning for a whole half term and we really appreciate the work you have put in. Thank you to parent and carers for your incredible support, for persevering, keeping in touch with the school. It is making a real difference. We have given out more laptops this week and I am expecting more to arrive today so if this is the barrier to learning please do get in touch with us. We want to support you in any way that we can.

A few reminders:

Pupil Premium

We are very aware of the financial impact that the pandemic has had on families. If there have been changes in your circumstances and you think you might be eligible for Free School Meals please go to

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/school-meals/application-for-free-school-meals-and-pupil-premium/>

Remote Learning Survey

There will be no remote learning in half term week and school will be closed during this week to all children.

Please remember the DfE can increase mobile data for the specified networks if you are using this for home learning. If this would help then please phone the school or email head@st-madderns.cornwall.cornwall.sch.uk

If you are finding remote learning difficult please do speak to us we are here to help. It is tricky so do not blame yourself if you are finding it hard –ask for help.

Returning to school

As you are aware we know that the very *earliest* there will be any return to school is now 8th March. **As yet though this is NOT confirmed. The DfE should be letting schools know at least two weeks in advance about this. We do not yet know what this will look like but as soon as we do will inform you.**

It has been an exciting week with the snow! We hope your child managed to get out and have some outdoor time enjoying this.

We wish everyone a safe and happy half term and look forward to brighter times ahead,

Kindest regards, Hilary Tyreman



**Our pre schoolers enjoying
the snow on Tuesday!**

**Pre school is open every
morning. 8:45-11:45**

**Let us know if you would like
your child to come in after
half term**

In school certificates

Stars of the Week

Class 1

Renesmee and James for thinking of some wonderful adjectives for sea creatures

Class 2

Evie and Layton for fantastic reading

Well done to those children

Home Learning shout outs

Class 1

Well done to all class 1 for your home learning.

A special mention to

Rhys for working really hard at maths and showing good understanding of multiplication and division.

Class 2

Well done to class 2 children.

A special mention to

Roan for great effort in literacy.

Keep up the good work everyone!

Keeping to lockdown restrictions over half term

We know it is half term next week, we want everyone to enjoy this safely and we all want to be back in school as soon as possible.

The number of covid infections is reducing in Cornwall because we have respected the social restrictions in place during this third lockdown. Thanks to this, we have slowed the spread of the virus through our communities, and for that we are thankful.

However, as the surge in cases in late December and January showed, if we let our guard down infection rates can spiral quickly, and we could soon find ourselves back where we started.

Therefore, we are asking parents and carers to continue to respect the lockdown rules, especially during half term. We know this is a challenge, especially for those parents and carers who are home schooling and we understand the temptation to relax while the pressure of teaching is not there for a week.

However, we have done so well since January and we simply can't afford to throw all of that hard work away. We are asking those who are on a half term break to avoid travelling distances in the car and "explore from your door" instead.

Together we can get through this.

DIARY DATES

Monday 15th-Friday 19th February—Half Term.

Friday 2nd April– Friday16th April—Easter Holiday.

Monday 19th April—Children return to school.



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