



# St Hilary School Newsletter

"The Best we can be"

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## Welcome to the 2019-2020 academic year!

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you all to the 2019-2020 academic year. It was wonderful to see our pupils return and to welcome our new recruits on Friday. They all settled in beautifully and it was lovely to hear lots of excited voices telling of their school holiday adventures. We are delighted to welcome Miss Sarah Worsey to our teaching team. Sarah will be working alongside Mrs Ellis with our split Year 2 group.

During the school holidays a substantial amount of work was done on installing new fire doors after our successful bid for government grant funding. Many classroom areas were re-painted and replacement furniture put where needed. I must thank Mrs Laity in particular, who has worked tirelessly over the holiday to ensure that all work has been completed ready for the children to return.

Whilst the children managed to enjoy the last two days of the summer break, the staff all returned on Wednesday to get classrooms ready and to get to grips with the year ahead. On Thursday we welcomed Deborah and Gail from the 'Restorative Justice Council' to train all of our staff. A consistent approach to 'restorative justice' will be an area of development on this year's school improvement plan and this training was the perfect way to get this work kickstarted.

So, what does 'RJ' look like in a school?

*"A restorative school is one which takes a restorative approach to resolving conflict and preventing harm.*

*Restorative approaches enable those who have been harmed to convey the impact of the harm to those responsible, and for those responsible to acknowledge this impact and take steps to put it right.*

*Restorative approaches refer to a range of methods and strategies which can be used both to prevent relationship-damaging incidents from happening and to resolve them if they do happen".*

As the school settles into the new year, we will be finalising the other areas for our development focus and will keep you informed as this is completed. Now that the legal work to join the 'Leading Edge Academies Partnership' has all been completed, we look forward to working more closely with our partner schools and seeing tangible benefits for all in the school. I shall be continuing to work across the primary schools, particularly on the Isles of Scilly, for one day per week (Thursdays) and I look forward to having the opportunity to share and collect ideas with the other schools.

As always, please do not hesitate to get in touch with any queries, questions or comments!

Mrs K Butcher

## CAR PARKING

### **Yellow hashed areas, disabled bays and newly laid grass!**

Please can I remind anyone using a vehicle to collect children from school, that the yellow hashed areas and the double yellow lines in and around the car park are **not** to be parked on in any circumstance. All of this is to ensure the safety of our children leaving the school. When cars park in these areas it really does make the car park become dangerous. Should the situation not improve, then we are going to have to look at alternatives such as closing the car park for collection as the safety of the children must come first.

The disabled bays must only be used by vehicles displaying the official blue disabled parking badge - any vehicles without a badge will be asked to move.

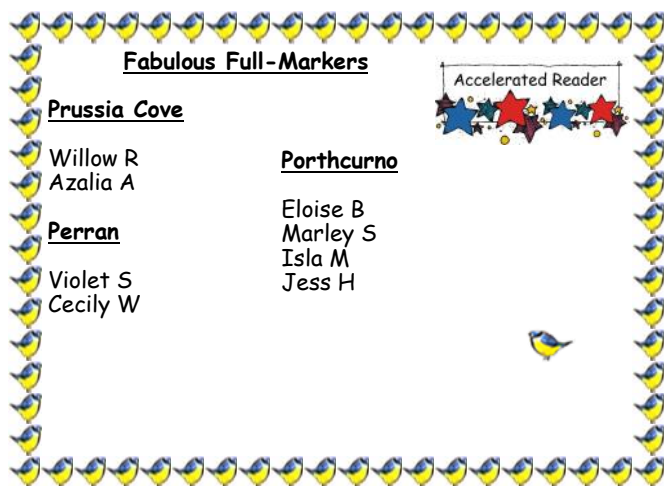
Please could parents also avoid parking on the grass entrances to houses by the school reception and in the narrow part of the lane in this area - we have understandably already received neighborhood complaints regarding this.

## CHANGE OF INSET TRAINING DAY

The school will be open as usual on 28th October 2019, but 1st June 2020 will now be a training day. Please note that the school planners have **not** been updated to reflect this change.

Next year's term dates, along with all school training days are available on our school website under Calendar and Parent Zone.





### NASAL FLU

An email was sent yesterday to all parents regarding the nasal flu immunisation vaccine programme that will be administered here in school on Monday 7th October 2019.

Kernow Health is delivering the flu immunisation programme in Cornwall's schools on behalf of NHS England and this year all children from Reception to Year 6 will be offered the vaccine. The letter advises about the vaccine programme and also how to access the online consent form, but if any parents do not have a computer or have difficulty with this and want their child to have the vaccine then a member of the immunisation team will be here in school on Monday 23rd September at 2.45 p.m. to assist you.

### SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

The children will be having their photographs taken next Wednesday 18th September, so if they have younger siblings who you would like to be taken with them then please come along for 8.30 a.m.



### RE-CYCLERS

There are some unwanted chairs beside our school rubbish bins, so please help yourself if you would like them.

### Class Attendance

This week's attendance hot spot goes to Gwithian with 99.5% Well done all.



We have a "Twitter" account up and running to share our news and celebrations. Please join us at 'StHilarySchool1'

### PHOTO CONSENT

We are going to assume that, for all children that were with us last year, the consent given by parents regarding photo consent has not changed. If you do wish to make changes to this please come in and get a form from the school office.

## PIPPA'S ART ACADEMY CHILDREN'S ART CLASSES

Aged 4 – 11  
Wednesday or Thursday  
10 week term

Run during the school term  
Cost: £100 per term  
From 4 – 5pm

The children will use good quality materials, working in acrylic, watercolour, charcoal, pastel and graphite. They'll work from still life, their imagination and in abstract form. We'll look at different artists and their varying styles and techniques and apply these to their own paintings.

I am a fully qualified primary school teacher, with 14 years experience running Art Academy. The classes I run are all off a mixed age range and ability.

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