



St Hilary School Newsletter

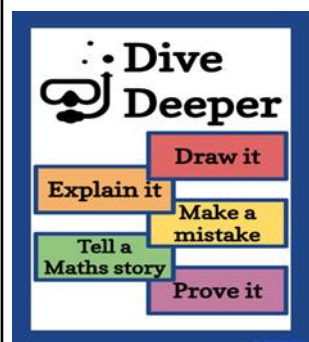
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Maths Update

At St Hilary School, we're always trying to find ways of raising the profile of maths as a subject so that children see it as one, they enjoy rather than dread. Recently, we were fortunate enough to have a magician visit and engage us in tricks that involve maths. The day started with a whole school assembly where Mr Martin dazzled everyone with card tricks and general number fun. It left us feeling baffled! Each KS2 class then had an hour with him to explore the tricks further and have a go themselves. The children (and adults!) were excited, inspired and couldn't wait to try what they had learned at home. We hope it has further engaged our pupils and that it reinforces the idea that maths is everywhere!



The teachers have been working hard on ensuring that all pupils are armed with the basic skills in maths so that they can be readily used and applied in other concepts. One way of doing this is by having a consistent approach to giving children quizzes, games, assessments and challenges throughout the school so that the foundations really are laid for the future. We've also invested time recently in creating a challenging culture by introducing 'Dive Deeper'. Children should be mastering knowledge by deepening their understanding of objectives taught rather than learn superficially only to forget what they've learned a few weeks later! Independently, children should be able to draw, explain, make mistakes, tell stories and prove their learning so we hope this will help them to reason and grapple with the content in order to strengthen their skill.

With our old data tracker discontinued, we decided it was time to refresh the way we assess our children to ensure we have a firm grasp of where gaps in children's knowledge may be and that we are giving every child exposure to the style of tests they will face in Year 6 and beyond. So far, it has been an interesting process and the teachers are using the data to ensure their teaching maximises opportunities to respond to misconceptions and celebrate what our pupils know. In time, we hope that this has a massive impact on the children's understanding of the subject and gives parents an idea of how well their child is performing.

A couple of years ago, we held a successful 'Maths Bonanza' evening where parents had the opportunity to explore expectations, try out TTRockstars (which is still proving to be a massive hit!) and understand the way we support and challenge your children in school. We would like to invite you to another session based on understanding the progression of written calculations at St Hilary. It should be an informative, light-hearted evening, giving you the chance to find out what the children need to know. Whilst we acknowledge some parents are anxious about their own knowledge, we would urge as many of you to take part! Not only will a free raffle be held, but FREE childcare will be given in Funzone for any pupils at the school whose parents come along to the session. Please let us know in advance if you'd like to take us up on this fantastic opportunity. It will be held on *Monday 2nd March from 3.45pm-5.30pm* in the hall and various classrooms.

Please note that TTRockstars and Maths Shed continue to be the link between home and school learning and is a vital resource for every child. Any encouragement in using these websites at home would be appreciated!

Remember to send in any pictures of children using maths in 'real life' whether this be cooking, measuring, counting or spotting roman numerals out and about! We'd love to put them on display in school and show children the range of ways we use maths in everyday life. Please send to ashleylarter@st-hilary.cornwall.sch.uk or print them off and put them inside your child's planner.

As always, if there are any questions about anything maths related, please don't hesitate to let me know!

Mr Larter ~ Maths Leader



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Fabulous Full-Markers	
Prussia Cove	Porthcurno
Florence H	Tressa A
Gwenver	Evie L
Poppy Do	Isla M
Jack L	Ada W
Florence B	Eloise B
Amelia A	
Noah M	Sennen
Ava R	Penny P
Noah E-R	Joshua D
Ruby T	Caiden M
Ruby B	Tegan C
Flo P	Gwithian
Malia W	
Kynance Cove	Lamorna
Mazey H	Isabelle S
Daniel D	Matt M
Josh T	Sonny M
Isabella R	Oscar P
	Ethan C
Perran	Gwithian
Cecily W	Emily K-B
	Tilly-Rose S

CLASS CERTIFICATES WEEK ENDING 24TH JANUARY 2020

Perran	-	Isabelle T, Savana H & Olive R
Prussia Cove	-	Coby M & Liberty H
Porthcurno	-	Moritz F & Evie L
Sennen	-	James J & Charlie L
Kynance Cove	-	Sylvester N & Isabella R
Gwithian	-	Joss F & Phoebe S
Gwenver	-	Noah M & Henry C
Lamorna	-	Haiden S & Isla F

MATHS SHED

Mathstronaut - Bella C (Sennen)
Top Class - Sennen



SPELLING SHED

Speller of the Week - Marley M (Kynance Cove)
Top Class - Kynance Cove



Class Attendance

This week's attendance hot spot goes to Porthcurno with 99.1%
Well done all.



Star Writers

This week's 'Star Writers' were awarded with their special stickers in this morning's assembly! Check out their amazing writing on our writing display in the main school corridor.

Perran - Lily-Rose S

Kynance Cove - Levi S

Gwenver - Jenna W

Huge well done children - keep up the fantastic writing! Miss J :-)

TERM DATES 2020

SPRING TERM - 6th January 2020 - 27th March 2020

Half Term - w/c 17th February 2020

End of Term - 27th March 2020

SUMMER TERM - 14th April 2020 - 23rd July 2020

May Day Bank Holiday - 8th May 2020

Half Term - w/c 25th May 2020

Training Day - 1st June 2020

End of term - 21st July 2020

AUTUMN TERM - 3rd September 2020 - 18th December 2020

Half Term - w/c 26th October 2020

End of Term - 18th December 2020





Our school is always buzzing with the sound of music of many kinds, from choirs to xylophones and recorders, but we think we have made history now by having, amongst all the woodwind learners, not only the lovely flautists and clarinetists, but an oboe player Grace and a bassonist Alfie! Well done all of you.

Book Fair

The book fair boxes arrive next Thursday for their annual visit to St Hilary. Mrs Bettens and I are going to run the Fair on **Thursday the 6th and Tuesday the 11th from 3 p.m. – 4.30ish** and we're going to try a morning session this year too, so we're doing **Friday the 7th from 8.15 a.m. – 9 a.m.**

The PTA are also going to do teas, coffees and cakes while we're running the Book Fair, so it'll be good to see you for a quick cuppa.

£1 book tokens will come out to children on Monday and the children can spend them at the Fair, even though it's a month until World Book Day.

Below is a link to the online catalogue of books which should be in the boxes at our Book Fair (unless they're out of stock!). <https://images.scholastic.co.uk/assets/a/ae/b8/uk-primary-jan-2020-v8-1927217.pdf>

If you'd rather order online, please take a look at <http://schools.scholastic.co.uk/st-hilary>. Our Scholastic Book Club is up and running! Browse the latest books and order online. For every £1 you spend on this month's Book Club, our school will earn 25p in Scholastic Rewards.

Please place your order online by February 13th, 2020.

Miss Jelbert
English Leader



Meet our Seals

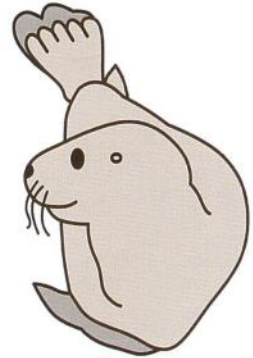
Friday 21st February

10:30 to 4:30

Free event - for all ages



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- 🐾 family activities
- 🐾 marine life exhibition
- 🐾 meet Septimus and Augusta
- 🐾 2 pm: talk by Sue Sayer & Rob Wells
Septimus - life, death and immortality

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