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Dear Parents,

So just as we were all getting used to the 'new normal' ... here we are back in national lockdown! Although, I think we can all agree that this time things do feel rather different, with some of the stricter guidelines and laws not returning and, of course, schools remaining open to all children; it would have been such a shame if the happiness and progress of the children over the last months had been reset with further school closures. This said, it is vital that as a school community we very clearly recognise and respect the fact that, for the whole country, this is a new stage in managing the virus and we need to behave accordingly.

As both national and local infection rates are on the rise, there is a definite sense that the virus is closer to home. With this in mind, I felt it vital to dedicate the newsletter this week to a polite set of reminders, regarding the rules and regulations we have put in place to keep the whole school community as safe as we can – children, teachers and staff, parents and the local residents.

KEY POINTS THAT ARE VITAL TO MAINTAIN:

- Physical distancing (2m plus) MUST, MUST, MUST be adhered to respect for everyone's health and mental well-being is paramount and this is the simplest and clearest indication we are all taking this seriously! Even if you have bumped into someone that you haven't seen for a while and the sun is shining, please stay 2m apart and set the example our children need to see:
 - Remain two metres apart when waiting to collect;
 - ♦ Keep your children with you (within hand-holding distance) not running around the playground;
 - Move into the playground from the gate to avoid congestion;
 - ♦ Once outside the gates make a timely departure please avoid standing around outside the gates to socialise again avoiding congestion.
- Everyone must stick to their drop off times this is something that over the last half term was generally maintained by the majority. However, for this adjustment to have the effect we hope it can the timings for drop offs are essential to prevent the cross contamination of bubbles this is key to keeping the school open as much as possible to as many children as possible. I recognise that having siblings in different drop off and pick up times is a challenge, but it is one that with care and a little planning is easy enough to maintain.
- While **children walking to school** is a fantastic way for them to build healthy lifestyles please can we ensure that they are leaving at a sensible time to walk at a good pace to get to school within their time slot. At present we have lots of Year 5 and 6 children walking and arriving in the Year 3 and 4 time slot again crossing of bubbles is something we really must be avoiding!
- We **maintain our no parents or family members in the school building policy** on the very rare occasion that anyone needs to come into reception, we ask that masks are worn and hand sanitiser is immediately used.
- Parking please park with consideration for the safety of the children and families walking to school. The local community need to be able to use the roads around their homes safely and the general population will be using the local roads.

I am extremely conscious that this is not the most positive return-to-a-half-term newsletter ever written, but it feels such an important time to re-iterate the fact that we all have a duty of care for our whole school community, and these simple measures are the fundamentals of doing just that! On behalf of the school can I thank you in advance for your continued support and proactive approach during the current lockdown and beyond!

On a more positive note, the half term started with all the vigour and enthusiasm we have come to take for granted at St Hilary – parent consultations (thank you for your support with this), classes contributing to whole school ZOOM assemblies, PE afternoons, amazing project work! In addition to this we have the promise of an exciting week next week, with both a national TT Rockstars competition and the Cornwall's virtual school winter games!

Here is to another happy, healthy, positive half term – let's hope the sun keeps shining, at least for the weekend!

All the best,

Rob Hamshar

CLASS CERTIFICATES WEEK ENDING 23RD OCTOBER 2020

Wilf H, George E & George B Perran

Prussia Cove -Paige G & Jos M Porthcurno Flynn T & Pippa L Sennen The Whole Class Kynance Cove -Amy B & Charles L Gwithian Freyja E & Jon A Gwenver Emily K-B & Zela I Lamorna Daisy R & Archie J



Class Attendance This week's attendance hot spot goes to LAMORNA class with 99.5%. Well done all.

SCHOOL TRAINING DAYS 2021

We have now finalised the remaining training days for this Academic Year as follows:

Monday 4th January—Training Day

Monday 7th June—Training Day

Friday 23rd July -Training Day

CHILDREN DO NOT ATTEND ON THESE DAYS.

How to register and set up the app

Please download the 'School Gateway APP' using the following instructions. Once the APP is downloaded, you will be able to book your child into Funzone & Breakfast Club sessions.

https://schoolgateway.co.uk/get-started/

Schoolgateway WELCOME TO SCHOOL GATEWAY Email address M D PIN Forgotten PIN? Don't have an account? Sign up

How to activate your account

I. Download the Android or iPhone app.



- 2. Press 'Sign Up' then enter the email and mobile number your school has on record. If you're not sure if they have the right details, it's best to check and update first.
- 3. Press 'Send PIN'. You will receive a text message with your unique PIN.
- 4. You're now ready to log in and start using School
- 5. If you don't have a smartphone or prefer to use a computer, you can set up your account using the web version of School Gateway.
- 6. See a video guide here

low to log in

- 1. Once you have your PIN, go ahead and launch the School Gateway app on your smartphone or tablet.
- 2. Enter the email you have registered with your school and the PIN you received. If you didn't get a PIN, it is likely because your school doesn't have the right contact info. Get in touch with them to check
- 3. If both the email and PIN are entered correctly, hit "Login" and you're ready to start engaging with your



At present we are limiting places to 15 Juniors and 15 Infants (depending on uptake we can

FUNZONE & BREAKFAST CLUBS

If you would like your child to attend either of

these clubs it is essential that you make a

booking for every session required using the

Schoolgateway. Instructions on how to do this

Breakfast club will be available from 7.45am, until

Funzone is available from the end of the school

day until strictly 5.30pm. Please adhere to this

review these numbers).

are alongside.

time.

the start of the day.

Wherever possible, bookings should be made at least a day before the club is required, as this will enable us to plan rooms, group sizes and staffing appropriately.

If anyone cannot access the app, our office staff will be happy to help you to make a booking. Please telephone if you require this assistance.



FABULOUS FULL-MARKERS

Sennen	Poi
Bella C	Artl
Tegan C	Erin
James J	Pipp
Ben F	
Isabella B	
Mason T	
Gracie R	
Archio E	

Stella R

Zela I

Porthcurno Arthur E Erin M-J Pippa L

Gwithian William J Matthew A Mazey H Tom M Sylvester N Archie D Ravi S Jonathan A Isso R Sikya C

Harriet W

Gwenver	Lamorna
Millie C x 2	Flo P
Rosie K x 2	Ruby B
Tiana W	Layla R
Ava C	Zahra McM
Alexander S	Annie B
Emily K-B	Millie L
Taher A	Erin S
Max J	
Isaac S	

morna Kynance Cove P Missy M by B Evie L Vla R Amy K-B nra McM Amy B nie B Sharla P llie L Jess H n S Priya A



Spelling Shed (1)

Speller of the Week:

Florence H (Porthcurno)

Class of the Week:

Porthcurno









Mathstronaut of the Week:

Bella C (Sennen)

Class of the Week:

Gwithian





TTrockstars Class Champions:

Yr 2 – Flynn T

Yr 3 – Benjamin M

Yr 4 – Thomas M

Yr 5 – Taher A

Yr 6 – Poppy Da

Average coins per person in class:

1st – Porthcurno (5,3060)

2nd – Kynance Cove (2,432)

3rd - Gwenver (1,392)

A HUGE congratulations to Elsie S (Y5) and Thomas M (Y6) who both became ROCK HEROES during half term! They have received their golden badges which takes our school total up to 11 rock heroes which is the most we've ever had! Next week is the NATIONAL TTrockstars competition which our school is involved in. An email will be coming out about it over the weekend.

Go Team St Hilary!!

NEXT WEEK'S DINNER MENU





Early Help Parenting Worker Advice Line

Penwith and Kerrier







Our regular parenting courses are currently being delivered virtually due to Covid-19 restrictions.

Do you need some support and advice to understand your child's needs and behaviour?

- Advice on positive parenting and how to keep your child safe
- To understand the importance of routines for your family

To get in touch with your questions please send an email to Myra Whitney, Area Parenting Lead, myra.whitney@cornwall.gov.uk or call 01209 310000 and leave a message mentioning Parenting Worker Advice Line with your contact details and the best time for us to contact you.

A member of the Parenting Team will contact you back by phone within two working days.