



St Hilary School Newsletter

"The Best we can be"

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A Warm Welcome from the PTA

The PTA (Parent Teacher Association) is a link between parents, governors, teachers and the community with the common aim of wanting to create the best possible learning environment for the children. Its principle role is to help put the 'cherry on the cake' for the children at school by raising funds and organising social events and activities - such as themed discos, Summer and Christmas Fayres and cake sales - and of course doing it whilst having fun along the way! Every parent is automatically a member of the St Hilary School PTA when their child joins our school and it is hoped that they will get involved to some degree during the course of their children's attendance at the school, whether it be on the committee, helping out at events or just attending events to help make them successful.

Whilst Coronavirus means that many of our usual fundraising activities have had to be put on hold, there are still several ways in which you can still help to raise money for St Hilary School:

Easyfundraising.com and Amazon Smile (smile.amazon.co.uk)

Sign up for free and select to donate to **St Hilary School PTA**. These retail platforms will then give a small percentage of your overall spend on internet shopping sites to our charity **without charging you a penny!** With Christmas less than 100 days away, this is an ideal time for us to try get as many people signed up and using the sites as possible so that companies donate as you spend.

You shop.
Amazon gives.
smile.amazon.co.uk



Bag2School

This week has seen our first collection of the academic year. Donated items of used clothing, bed linen, shoes and bags are weighed and the school receives a cheque in return. This raised an amazing **£162** so thank you to all who donated, and a further collection will be organised in the Spring term.



Christmas Cards

Our Christmas cards are a great opportunity for you to show support to the school whilst buying something that you are likely to need anyway or as gifts for family and friends. Later this term the children will be asked to create their own artwork which will then be turned into professionally produced cards and other products, which you have the option to purchase, with all profits going directly back into the school. PTA information is posted on the school notice boards that are situated outside the main reception and the bottom playground. We also have a Facebook page and a page on the school website where minutes of our meetings as well as other information, are published. Information is also sent out via the school email system and within the weekly school newsletter. To find out more or to find out how you can help please do not hesitate to get in touch by emailing: sthilarypta@gmail.com



On behalf of all the pupils, we would again like to welcome all new parents and thank returning parents for your very valuable, continued support which enriches our children's learning experience and makes their time in school so enjoyable.



Laura Waters
Co-Chairperson



Caroline Strongitharm
Co-Chairperson



Proud member of the Leading Edge Academies Partnership

CLASS CERTIFICATES WEEK ENDING 25TH SEPTEMBER

2020

Perran	-	Leo S & Lili L
Prussia Cove	-	Charlie S & Albert G
Porthcurno	-	Willow R & Coby M
Sennen	-	Ben F & Thomas L
Kynance Cove	-	Evie L & Ben M
Gwithian	-	Isabella R & Harriet W
Gwenver	-	Jessica R & Gus H
Lamorna	-	Noah E-R & Elisha E

Class Attendance

This week's attendance hot spot goes to SENNEN class with 100%.
Well done all.



COVID PLAN UPDATE:

Once again thank you for your patience and your continued support with the school's Covid risk strategy. I know for us at school the new regulations are beginning to seem a little bit more like a normal routine, but as ever there are a few important bits to make you aware of and to reinforce this week.

Please can I **signpost you to our school website Covid page**. I have added a couple of new documents to this page over the course of this week, that I feel it is important that you have a look through.

- ◆ St Hilary School's Remote Learning Policy – this document covers the details of the remote learning offer the school will implement in the case of a return to lockdown or in cases where isolation of an individual or group may be necessary. The aim is to clarify the processes and the expectations for all members of the school community from staff to children and parents. In clarifying this we aim to have a system in place and ready to start with immediacy should the need arise.
- ◆ St Hilary School Contingency Plan – this document outlines the school's plan considering four graduated tiers of severity of the virus in local and national terms.

Once again can I ask that when waiting for **collection at the end of the day** all parents remain physically distanced and respect the guidance of the school, government and wishes of the whole school community. One pinch point is the school gate so can I ask that no one gathers on either side of the gate and that when leaving everyone keeps their distance rather than all rushing out in a tightly grouped line. I really appreciate your assistance with this.

Drop off timings: Please can I reinforce the need for our second drop off groups – the 9am drop offs – to arrive between 9.00 and 9.10 – and not before so we can avoid children waiting on the playground and mixing our 'Class Bubbles'.

Finally, I would like to take this chance to address some increasing concerns raised by parents this week. I know that everyone can empathise with a sense of increasing anxiety and concern for our children in the current climate, especially with the news reports continually informing us of a rise in cases, a second spike and local outbreaks. In response to this, I would like to reinforce the school's total commitment to keeping the children and the whole school community safe – sticking to the planning and risk assessments in place. However, beyond this reassurance I feel duty-bound to reinforce the government's insistence and our commitment to keeping all children in full-time schooling. Practically, this means that if a parent were to remove their child from school, due to concerns over Covid, without an authorised absence, we have no choice but to report it as unauthorised and are not required to provide remote learning. Put simply at the moment our children are required to remain in school unless illness, Covid related issues, or where personal circumstances have been agreed.

P.S. all this said, the children's smiles, the blossoming friendships, the amazing relationships between adults and children at the school and the amazingly enthusiastic response of the children to their work seem like the most important reasons to maintain everyone's excellent attendance at this time!

Thank you so much for your continued and such positive support!

Change to newsletter distribution – in response to a number of factors, including reducing the amount of paper being sent back and forth from school, environmental factors and efficiency this will be our last week that we offer a paper copy of the newsletter. Please, please, please can I encourage you all to keep up with this weekly publication, it is a vital source of information sharing, celebration of the successes of the children and the school and as you can well imagine takes no small amount of effort and organisation from the team to get sorted and looking so professional every week!



NASAL FLU

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 inclusive will be offered the vaccine. The letter that was recently emailed to you advises about the vaccine programme and also how to access the online consent form, and specifies that you have to **OPT IN** for your child to have the vaccine and that this should be done by 15th October .

If you have any questions regarding this please contact Kernow Health direct on 01872.221105.

**JUST A REMINDER THAT WE ARE A
"NUT FREE" SCHOOL.**

IF IN DOUBT, LEAVE IT OUT



Together For Families/Early Help Support

Family Support Advice is available from our schools link Family Worker, Sally Sharp. This can be on any issues that may be affecting your family, especially now in what has been, and continues to be a very difficult and anxious time for many. The Family Support Service offer you a friendly, supportive service that meets your needs or introduces you to a service that can help you. They also offer parenting courses and information on these can also be given.

If you feel you need some friendly advice or any kind of family support please feel free to contact school. You can either phone us or email Dot our secretary at: secretary@st-hilary.cornwall.gov.uk or the school SENDCo at: michellebrant@st-hilary.cornwall.sch.uk and we will arrange for Sally to contact you directly.

Please find below a link which has some parenting pages of information which may be of use to you. Please let us know if you would like any of these printed for you.

https://www.supportincornwall.org.uk/kb5/cornwall/directory/advice.page?id=AKUFKNWkR_A

Trophy Textiles,
our school uniform
provider, now
have school ties
back in stock.



CONTACT DETAILS

Please ensure that all of your contact details are up to date, particularly if there have been any recent changes. If you are unsure contact Dot via email at secretary@st-hilary.cornwall.sch.uk to check. This is vital information for the school for general communication but particularly in case of an emergency.



FABULOUS FULL-MARKERS

Sennen

Tegan C
Penny P
Rosie L
Bella C
Amelia L
Thomas L
James J

Kynance Cove

Amy B
Moritz F
Sharla P
Priya A
Evie L
Ben M
Oliver C

Porthcurno

Cecily W
Florence H
Azalia A

Gwithian

Harriet W
Isabella R
Daniel D
Joe McC
James P
Josh T
Archie D

Gwenver

Taher A (x2)
Phoebe S
Zela I
Alexander S

Lamorna

Erin S
Elisha E
Annie B (x2)
Henry C
Amelia A (x2)

English

Spelling Shed

Speller of the Week:

Florence B (Lamorna)

Class of the Week:

Lamorna



MATHS

Maths Shed

Mathstronaut of the Week:

Thomas M (Lamorna)

Class of the Week:

Lamorna



TTrockstars Class Champions

Yr 2 – Harry E with Flynn T close behind!

Yr 3 – Benjamin M

Yr 4 – Thomas M

Yr 5 – Chloe E

Yr 6 – Dom H

Average coins per person in class:

1st – Lamorna (3,325)

2nd – Porthcurno (2,344)

3rd – Gwenver (1,579)

An awesome job to Kynance Cove Class who had 87% active players and Porthcurno with 70% also!

Keep it up everyone!

