



St Hilary School Newsletter

"The Best we can be"

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At this time of year our beautiful local Church would usually be filled to the rafters with smiling faces, as the whole St Hilary School community comes together, for what are traditionally two magical evenings. Each year, I greatly enjoy the opportunity of talking to you and all of the children in shared appreciation of everyone's efforts: the children, the teachers, teaching assistants and the parents and families of the children all help to make the evenings so special. This year, more than ever, I felt it was so important to take this time, before the much deserved Christmas break, to say a few 'thank yous' and 'well dones'!

Firstly, and most importantly, I wanted to say a huge well done to the children. When we came back in September, we all had concerns about how they would settle; how they would manage; how they would re-adjust to school life after lockdown. If I am honest, we didn't give a moment's thought to what a Christmas production would look like – I'm not sure we all believed schools would still be open. Despite all of this, since September, the children have amazed us on a daily basis – their enthusiasm, their thirst for learning and excellence, their willingness to adapt and evolve with the new rules and regs, their ability to rebuild and re-establish friendships and forge new ones - has all been a joy to witness. I feel that each classes' amazing contribution to the interactive PDF Christmas performance is testament to this - the smiles, the quality of their singing, the enthusiasm and the team spirit, uniting the whole school to celebrate together – despite Covid forcing them to be held apart. What a remarkable bunch they are: right from our newest arrivals in Reception, who have so quickly settled with the values of St Hilary at their core, all the way up to the Year 6's, who are fulfilling their job as role models for the rest of the school with great aplomb - even if this is only possible via ZOOM, via online assemblies, through the quality of their work on the walls. Don't worry I of course am not forgetting every other amazing Year group squashed in between! **So as a direct message to share with your children** - the teachers and I, your parents and families and the whole school community couldn't be prouder of you and the efforts and progress you are all making – this Christmas your work has left us all with the goose bumps of pride we usually feel while watching your performances at the church!

Secondly, I wanted to extend a heartfelt thank you to every member of the school staff here at St Hilary – office staff, cleaners, lunch supervisors, the kitchen staff, teachers and TAs - what a team they are! Every barrier that has arisen has been overcome; every challenge that has potentially blocked progress, has been met; every opportunity to evolve and keep moving forward has been seized, nourished and has therefore thrived; every child has been given the personalised attention and care they deserve! On top of the multitude of adjustments the staff have had to make to their working routines, they have also had to learn many new skills and at every stage have strived to maintain something near to 'normal school' for the children. The Christmas performance – shared with you as an interactive PDF - is testament to their attitude, their work ethic and their care for all things St Hilary. As a headteacher, I am so, so lucky to have such an amazing team; as a parent of the school, I am beyond grateful; and as a colleague, they continue to make our work such a pleasure - out of the adversity in 2020 have come even stronger staff bonds! Here's to this continuing in happier, healthier, simpler times, as we move into 2021. I am sure that as families you would like to join me in thanking each and every one of them.

Finally, you guys – our wonderful parents – we couldn't possibly go through this Christmas without recognising and celebrating your support, your enthusiasm, your persistence with the strange new rules in and around the school and the trust you place in us at the school – all of which is incredibly humbling. We have always known that we can count on each and every one of you, but at this point feel you deserve special praise. Over the last year, you have all thrown yourselves into remote learning, online parent consultations, physically-distanced-time-staggered-drop-offs-and-pick-ups and all while maintaining your vital academic and emotional support for your children throughout each term ... and all of this in such challenging and anxiety-inducing times! Thank you and well done!

All that leaves me to say is, have a wonderful break over the Christmas holiday, enjoy the simplicity and the individuality that this year's festivities will bring and, regardless of what is thrown at us in 2021, here's to another year, where the unity and strength of our school community means we all provide the very best for the children of the school.

Merry Christmas and fingers crossed for a very Happy and Healthy New Year!

Rob Hamshar



CLASS CERTIFICATES WEEK ENDING 11TH DECEMBER 2020

Perran	-	Xander S, Sophia S & the whole class
Prussia Cove	-	Henry McA & Isabelle T
Porthcurno	-	Warwick M & Lily-Rose S
Sennen	-	Archie E & Caiden M
Kynance Cove	-	Archie B, Raffy M, Ada W & Amy K-B
Gwithian	-	Tom M & Maisie M
Gwenver	-	Grace E & Joss F
Lamorna	-	Poppy D & Jenna W

INSET DATES

Please remember the two INSET dates for January – the children are not in school on either day.

Monday 4th January

Monday 25th January

COVID-19

Please can I ask that if anyone were to have a positive Covid test in the next week – if any of the symptoms started before the end of Sunday 20th December 3.00 p.m. that **you inform the school via my email address** – I will be checking my emails daily at 9.30am.

Please **do not inform any other staff by phone, social media or any other means.**

If as positive case from inside the school were to be reported, I am duty bound to inform (email, text) all families of children in the same bubble of their responsibilities in terms of isolation requirements over the holiday. Fingers crossed that we make it through unscathed.

Rob Hamshar

MUSIC TUITION

Woodwind tuition will commence on 6th January 2020 with Sophie Andrews.



Brass tuition will commence on 6th January with Kirsten Burden.

Cello will restart with Mrs Eddy on 5th January.



Guitars commence on 8th January with Darren Richards.



Class Attendance

This week's attendance hot spot goes to LAMORNA class with 98.7%. Well done all.



Our whole school percentage attendance this week is:

96.86 %

A Message from St Hilary Church:

As we haven't been able to see you all as part of the Nativity this year, I wanted to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and also remind children and parents that at 3.00 p.m. on Christmas Eve we have the Crib Service especially for children, lasting 30 minutes or so – it really is a lovely way for Christmas celebrations to begin!



Also, Midnight Mass will take place at 11.30pm, on Christmas Eve, at St Hilary Church and then our Christmas Day Family Service will take place at Perranuthnoe Church at 11.15am.

We hope that as many of you as possible can join us.

Happy Christmas!

Father Jeff

Thank you and Goodbye

On behalf of everyone at the school I wanted to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to our school cook who, after many years of dedicated service, is leaving us today. Hilary has been a part of the school for many years - as a pupil, parent, and latterly as cook. Her contribution has been greatly appreciated by all here and her care and hard work in preparing the children's food has been exemplary – the kitchen's beautiful Christmas dinner on Wednesday was a tremendous sign off! Thank you from us all at St Hilary and good luck for your next exciting adventure, we wish you every happiness!



INFANTS

BADGE/CERTIFICATE WINNERS DECEMBER 2020

PORTHCUENO

Care and Consideration

Archie S
Arthur E
Billy C
Bruno N
Chayton C
Coby M
Harry E
Liberty H
Neve B
Oliver N
Paige P
Reuben S
Shiloh T
Florence H
Flynn T

Creativity

Archie S
Isla A-S
Neve B
Violet S
Lily-Rose S
Lily J
Cecily W

Academic

Pippa L
Warwick M
Erin M-J
Neve B
Bruno N
Lily-Rose S
Jowan H
Harry E
Thomas T
Chayton C
Archie S

Healthy Living

Arthur E
Willow R
Flynn T
Liberty H
Florence H
Warwick M
Azalia A
Billy C
Violet S
Lily J
Cecily W

PERRAN

Care and Consideration

Lilyana L
Olivia B
Leo S

Creativity

Wilf H
Magnus F
Alex S
George E
Lowenna H

Academic

Sophia S
Harriet P
Grace A
Bryher C

Healthy Living

Charlie G
George B
Noah S-S
Alba B
Amarna M

PRUSSIA COVE

Care and Consideration

Olive R
Isabelle T
Tilia C-H
Albert G
Jos M
Arwyn N

Creativity

Sophia S
Indie C
Olivia H
Charlie S
Harlow T

Academic

Zachary H

Healthy Living

Arthur C
Stanley S
Joshua S
Ollie R
Henry McA
Miles S



Care and Consideration



Creativity



Academic



Healthy Living

When Junior children achieve
all four certificates, they are
then presented with the St
Hilary Badge - "The Best We
Can Be" - below.



JUNIORS

LAMORNA

Care and Consideration

Zahra McM
Erin S

Creativity

Henry C
Noah E-R
Jolie G
Dom H
Wyatt T

Academic

Ruby B
Jolie G
Ruairi L
Daisy R
Layla R
Ruby S
Malia W

Healthy Living

Florence B
Archie J
Erin S
Alexander T
Charlie T

GWITHIAN

Care and Consideration

Isabella R
Harriet W

Creativity

Lillia S

Academic

India A
Mazey H
William J
Poppy M
Joe McC
Marley M
Ravi S
Tom M
James P
Maisie M
Brody T

Healthy Living

Jonathan A
Matthew A

SENNEN

Care and Consideration

Josh D

Creativity

Evie A
Stanley M
Penny P

Academic

Archie E

KYNANCE COVE

Care and Consideration

Priya A
Missy M
Oliver C
Ada W
Eloise B

Academic

Tressa A
Maddie S
Amy K-B
Moritz F
Jess H

GWENVER

Care and Consideration

Zela I

Creativity

Lilla P
Harvey W

Academic

Chloe E

BADGE AND CERTIFICATE WINNERS

A big well done to all of the children who have received one of their school
badges in the Infants or certificates in the Juniors!

FABULOUS FULL-MARKERS

Sennen

Bella C
Oscar N
Gracie R
Isabella B

Kynance Cove

Amy K-B
Oliver C
Charles L
Archie B
Tressa A
Cohen R
Raffy M

Porthcurno

Azalia A
Isla A-S
Neve B
Erin M-J
Bruno N
Willow R
Violet S

Gwenver

Ava C
Callum T
Taher A
Freddie C
Zela I
Elsie S
Millie C
Lola F

Lamorna

Jolie G
Jack L
Ruairi L
Poppy Do
Jenna W
Layla R
Lucy B

Gwithian

Marley M
Archie D
Isabella R
Daniel D
Sikya C
Aiyana E
Matthew A
Mazey H
Jonathan A
Harry B

English

Spelling Shed

Speller of the Week:

Coby M (Porthcurno)

Class of the Week:

Porthcurno



MATHS

Maths Shed

Mathstronaut of the Week:

Flynn T (Porthcurno)

Class of the Week:

Porthcurno



TTrockstars Class Champions

Yr 2 – Flynn T & Arthur E
Yr 3 – Raffy M
Yr 4 – Harry B
Yr 5 – Phoebe S
Yr 6 – Henry C

Average coins per person in class:

1st – Gwenver (6,666)
2nd – Porthcurno (5,529)
3rd – Gwithian (1,850)

An awesome job everyone – TTrockstars is still available over the holidays so get practising your tables ready for the Spring term!

Take care all.

Mr Larter

LUNCH MENU W/C 4TH JANUARY 2021

Unfortunately, at the moment, the children are unable to have a hot pudding.

WEEK 2 W/C: 09/11 30/11 04/01 25/01 22/02 16/03			
	HOT SPECIALS...	DAILY FAVES...	SIDES... PICK A PUD!
MONDAY	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Dough Balls Cheesy tomato topped pizza slice Quorn Bolognese Penne pasta in a yummy tomato and Quorn sauce	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta	Sweetcorn and Broccoli & Cauliflower Creamy Peach Rice Pudding
TUESDAY	Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice Succulent chicken in a mild creamy sauce Macaroni Cheese Traditional Mac N Cheese, delicious macaroni in a creamy cheese sauce	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta	Green Beans and Sweetcorn Raspberry Ripple Cake
WEDNESDAY	Roast Gammon Tender roast gammon with fluffy and tasty gravy Country Vegetable Pie with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Creamy vegetable pie with a shortcrust topper	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta	Cabbage and Carrots Strawberry Ice Cream
THURSDAY	Lasagne with a Garlic & Herb Bread Wedge A classic Italian beef lasagne in a yummy tomato sauce Vege Balls in Tomato Sauce with Pasta Vege balls in a tomato sauce with pasta	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta	Sweetcorn and Broccoli Chocolate Cake
FRIDAY	Southern Fried Chicken Tasters with Chips Lightly seasoned crispy chicken strips and scrummy chips Meat-free Taco and Chips A soft taco shell filled with a yummy veggie tomato chilli	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta	Peas and Baked Beans Oatie Biscuit with Fresh Cut Fruit Slices

Vegetarian Oily fish
 Wholegrain Fruity!

Water, salad,
freshly baked bread,
yoghurt & fresh fruit

Available
every day!

