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NEWSLETTER

Friday 28th March 2024

Good afternoon everyone,

We have had a busy time with trips and sporting events this week. Years 2, 3 and 4 have had a great time visiting the Eden project.

YEAR 2 TRIP

Year 2 had a fantastic time at the Eden Project on Tuesday. They were very lucky with the weather and enjoyed exploring the

environment including the playgrounds, which was the children's favourite part! The children took part in a challenge to find out which is best – metal machines or green machines (plants). They chose metal machines at the beginning of the day but by the end of the day they realised green machines are much more amazing! The children were really well behaved and learnt lots of useful information about how the Eden Project

began and about how plants can be used for many things

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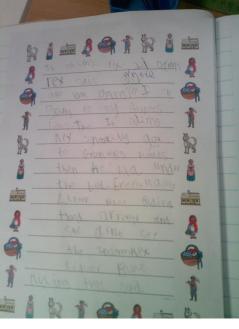
DIARY DATES

15th April – Start of Summer Term 23rd April – World Book Night 13th May – Y6 SATs week 22nd May – Sports Day 19th-21st June Y5/6 camp 3rd-5th July Y3/4 camp 17th July Summer Fair

YEAR 1

Year 1 have been working really hard in their writing lessons recently. They have learnt the story of Little Red Riding Hood and written their own versions. The children had some fantastic ideas for what they wanted to change in the story and were really proud of their final piece, as were the adults. Well done Year 1!







YEAR 6 LANGUAGES DAY

On Friday 22nd March Year 6 walked up to Penrice Day to experience a number of activities centred on Languages. We enjoyed watching a play performed by French drama company, which despite largely being in French the children found funny and interesting. The children then had an opportunity to take part in short interactive Mandarin, Spanish and French lessons. After lunch we got to enjoy playing Guess Who and make Fortune Tellers in French and Spanish. The children were great ambassadors for the school and made the most of the experiences that the day had to offer them in preparation for their time at Secondary school.'









YEAR 3

On Wednesday, Year 3 visited the Eden Project. We have been studying climate zones in geography and plants in science. Our next topic is South America so this visit fitted in really well with not only what we've been learning but also as a stimulus into what is yet to come next half term! We had a great day, not only looking around the biomes and exploring Eden but we also carried out a workshop where we got to train up as 'Rainforest Rangers'. We undertook some training and explored the zone to see how we could survive using our surroundings! The children were so well behaved and were ambassadors for the school.

















CROSS COUNTRY

Last Tuesday, Antoni, Austeja, Lucy, Orla, Savannah, Jack, and Locryn all represented Pondhu in the inter-county cross-country qualifiers. Their excellent performances in the events at Poltair this year enabled them to compete against the fastest runners in our area, and they all gave it their all. Congratulations to all children who took part!





FOOTBALL AND NETBALL

Last week, the Year 5 and Year 3/4 football teams, along with the Year 5/6 netballers, competed against Luxulyan in friendly matches. All players conducted themselves admirably and represented Pondhu in a positive manner, especially our Year 5 team, who showed amazing resilience while competing against a strong Luxulyan Year 5/6 team.

This week, Pondhu completed their league season in football and netball with their final fixture against Gorran. Well done to all children who have represented the school in the league this year; we are very proud of all of you.

READING RAFFLE WINNERS

A huge 'well done' to those that have won this term's Readin Raffle – the winners are:

Reception – Jayden & Autumn

Year 1 – Henry & Hollio-Rae

Year 2 - Arthur & Olivia

Year 3 – Francis & Louis

Year 4 – Lola & Jaden

Year 5 – Allison & Lucy

Year 6 – Riley Gre & Lewis



FOPS SPRING CREATION COMPETITION

On Monday we had some amazing Spring creations to judge for our FOPS competition. The children had obviously worked really hard on them at home. Well done to everyone who took part.

Here are the winners:

<u>Reception</u>	<u>Year 1</u>	<u>Year 2</u>
1 st Lillie-Mae	1 st Methuki	1 st Jago
2 nd Grace	2 nd Henry	2 nd Albie
3 rd Freya	3 rd Oscar	3 rd Rocco







Year 3

1st Piper

2nd Isabelle

3rd Daisy











Year 6

1st Antoni2nd Roseannah3rd Poppy







MISS GRAY IS RUNNING THE LONDON MARATHON

On the 21st April 2024, I will be running the London Marathon for Alzheimer's society. Like many other people, my family have been effected badly by Dementia. I so believe we need to find out as much as we can about this awful disease and research is key. Please help me to raise as much as we can to help this amazing charity to find the answers.

Please dig deep and help raise some money for this worthy cause either by donating to Miss Grey's fund page (link below) or pop some money into the school office as we have a collection ongoing.

Alzheimer's Society: Heidi's page (enthuse.com)



ATTENDANCE





Attendance this week

Montessori (R) – 88.3%

Anning (Y1) - 83%

Nightingale (Y2) -87.5%

Attenborough (Y3) - 95.1%

Hawking (Y4) - 95.3%

Owens (Y5) - 94%

Einstein (Y6) – 93.1%

Whole school – 90.1%



Star Learners



The children have been brilliant this week and they have been chosen for a variety of reasons.

Reception – Autumn for consistently working hard in all areas of her learning

Year 1 – Molly for good listening and working hard

Year 2 – The whole class for being so well behaved on their trip

Year 3 – Allan for working really hard on his learning

Year 4 – Matthew for his improving focus, concentration and his excellent contribution to History lessons

Year 5 – Allison for superb determination to achieve well and producing amazing artwork

Year 6 – Lacey for being a positive learner and trying her best

CONGRATULATIONS everyone!

BRITISH VALUES CHAMPIONS

Reception – Frankie for always following our Golden Rules

Year 1 – Lowenna for following the Golden Rules

Year 2 – Seth for being so respectful throughout the trip

Year 3 – Faith for being tolerant of others' difficulties and being so kind and caring

Year 4 – Jacob for his tolerance and helpfulness to the class

Year 5 — Quinn for being kind, co-operative and respectful to his peers

Year 6 – Rylie for showing tolerance and helping others



Well done to this weeks British values champions!

START OF SUMMER TERM

We return to school on Monday 15th April.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 15th April – start of Summer Term Friday 19th April – SCD parent support group

Have a lovely Easter break everyone.

Mrs Rachel Clift

