## Pondhu Primary School

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Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May

Good afternoon everyone,

We have had another busy week at Pondhu. The Year 2 children have worked incredibly hard on their SATs this week. It was fantastic to see them demonstrate such mature, positive attitudes towards their tests and we know that they all tried their best. We are all very proud of them.

It was brilliant to see our Y5/6 swim team compete in their first swimming gala at Tywardreath school yesterday. We were so impressed at their performances against a team of children who swim every week in their school pool.





### **DIARY DATES**

#### May

27<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Day (Last day of term) **June** 

6<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Bank holiday 7<sup>th</sup> Return to school 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> June Y5/6 camp at Bishops Forum

## July

1<sup>st</sup> July Sports Day 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> July Y3/4 camp at Camp Kernow 26<sup>th</sup> Last day of term (finish at 1.30 p.m.) Please keep checking the diary dates as they do sometimes need to be changed.

#### Attendance this week

River Tiddy (R) – 90.2% River Fal (Y1) – 94.6% River Camel (Y2) – 95.2% River Gannel (Y3) – 91% River Cober (Y4) – 96.7% River Fowey (Y5) – 98.7 River Tamar (Y6RM) – 95.7% River Valency (Y6HH) – 93.2%

### Sports Report

Congratulations to our Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 athletics teams which competed at Par track on Tuesday. Our Year 3/4 athletes (Brooke, Allison, Summer, Austeja, Owen, Oscar, Oskar and Sonny) finished 7<sup>th</sup> overall, and our Year 5/6 team (Sky, Gracey, Iyla,

Evie May, Jack N, Kye, Riley and Jaydon) finished 1<sup>st</sup> overall! This means that our Year 5 and 6 team have qualified for the Cornwall School Games (the county finals), a fantastic achievement for the pupils and the school!

A team of Year 6 crown green bowlers also competed this week and all enjoyed trying a new sport in a fantastic sunny setting. Sailing and paddleboarding was also a great success, with the Year 6 children enjoying their time out on the water. Well done to everyone who has represented the school and who has attended a sporting club this week.

Mr Martin (PE/Sports coordinator)



Congratulations to our star learners this week. Mrs Rundle is very pleased with the whole of Year 2 who have worked really hard on their KS1 SATs all week. They have shown a great attitude towards their tests. Our star learners have all worked to the best of their ability in many areas of the curriculum. They have improved their presentation through fantastic focus and hard work in lessons. Also, they have shown amazing confidence and made positive contributions to class learning. There have been a range of sporting and academic successes this week. Keep up the fantastic work everyone! Well done to Gracie, Jack B, Liam, Leon, Evan, Esme, Gracey and the whole of Year 2!







This week we have given out another round of class dojo certificates. Well done to Arthur M, Seth, Mia, Charlie H, Eloise, Reece M, Kyla, Jacob, Flint, Austeja, Jack R, Feleesha, Gracey, Marita, Archie, Kye, Ashley, Ebony, Sade, Caty, Evie-May, Alisha and Ema who all earned over 40 dojos and received a platinum award. **Over the last 3 weeks the whole school has earned a staggering 5,539 dojos.** This is up from 4,974 in the last round.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May Year 6 Valency swimming Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 Tamar Polkerris sailing Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May – Brighter smiles 2<sup>nd</sup> fluoride application Reception Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May – Jubilee Day

# <u>SPORTS DAY</u>

On Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July we will be holding our Pondhu school sports day. In the morning, the children will be completing a round robin of activities. In the afternoon, parents are welcome to join



us on the school field for our competitive races. Sports Day will start at 1.30 pm.

# PONDHU JUBILEE DAY



On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May, we are going to celebrate the Queen's jubilee at school. The children are asked to come in wearing red, white and blue. We will be doing special jubilee activities throughout the day and there will be a jubilee lunch for everyone. Children will be able to have a school jubilee lunch or bring their own packed lunch, however we will be eating together outside (weather permitting). We will also be planting a special English Oak tree in our copse to commemorate the jubilee.

Mains – A selection of scrumptious sandwiches with cheese or ham fillings, mini pizzas, minis sausage rolls, potato wedges, carrot & cucumber sticks and coleslaw.

Dessert - Cheese & biscuits or Jubilee cup cake



# FREE SWIMMING – POLKYTH LEISURE CENTRE

Polkyth Leisure Centre offers free swimming for the whole family from 10:00 – 11:00am every Sunday in the main pool. This needs to be booked via the website <u>www.better.org.uk</u> but make sure that you book early as the slots fill up really quickly.

# SUN SAFETY



make sure that they have plenty of water too.



Now that the sun is out and the temperature is hotting up, please can you ensure that your child brings a sun cap to school to wear during breaks and lunchtime. Also, apply sunscreen to your child before they come to school and



Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Rachel Clift

