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Challenge Partners 2019

During the last three days of half term, our external 'Challenge Partners Quality Assurance Review' took place. The review was led by a senior Ofsted inspector alongside two senior leaders from other schools - one was from Swindon and the other from Sutton. The review as a whole looks at, and grades, 'school improvement strategies', 'outcomes for pupils' and 'quality of teaching and learning'. Schools also have the option to apply for an 'Area of Excellence' which then highlights the school as a beacon of excellent practice for other schools to learn from. Having worked really hard to develop our 'Real Project Curriculum' over recent years, we made the decision to apply for this as an area of excellence.

On the first day of the review, the visiting team spent time looking through all of our external and internal data, self-evaluations and action plans - this is quite a hefty paperwork exercise!

The following day, the team spent time observing lessons in all classes, meeting with various leaders and staff, talking with pupils and scrutinising books. Whilst this can be a bit of a nerve-wracking experience, it is great to have the opportunity to show what we do on a daily basis and how proud we are of the children's achievements.

By the end of the last day, the review work had been completed and the resulting report drafted.

I am delighted to say that St Hilary was 'measured' as 'outstanding' in all areas and that our curriculum was reported to be "without doubt, an area of excellent practice".

We have attached the full report to this newsletter but the highlights are:

"The leaders and many other staff members form a very outward-looking staff that is constantly looking for new approaches, striving for even better outcomes".

"There is a definite focus on contributing to pupils being knowledgeable, well-rounded people".

"High quality teaching and learning is an undoubted strength of the school. The consistency observed across all year groups is testimony to the talented group of teachers the school employs".

"High levels of engagement are a common feature in all classrooms, largely because pupils enjoy learning and are fully immersed in the lessons".

"Pupils' books highlight strong progress over time. Presentation is immaculate, particularly in their colourful project books".

We couldn't be prouder of the report and we feel that it sums up our school really well. All of the staff, governors and the children work consistently hard, passionately and continually strive for the very best outcomes, whether in an English lesson or outside doing PE.....whilst having lots of fun and laughter along the way. It goes without saying that there will always be more to work on, but for the minute it's time to take stock and be proud!

Mrs K Butcher



999999999999 Fabulous Full-Markers Prussia Cove Jessica H

Gwenver

Marley S

Harvey C

Perran

Millie K

Caiden M Tegan C Josh D Stanley M

Porthcurno Brody T

Annie B

Harriet W Poppy M Freyja E Jonathan A Joe McC Ella C Lexi I Isabella R Archie D

<u>Gwithian</u> Wyatt T Arthur G-P 🎒 Daisy R 済 Florence B

Kynance Cove

Emily K-B Mason S Jessica R

CLASS CERTIFICATES WEEK ENDING 24TH MAY 2019

Perran Charlie L & Chayton C Bruno N & Evie T-J Prussia Cove

Porthcurno Isabella R

Kynance Cove -Phoebe S & Isaac S Gwithian The whole class Sam B & The whole class Gwenver

SPELLING SHED

Speller of the Week - Thomas (Gwithian) Top Class - Perran

MATHS SHED

Mathstronaut - Isabella (Porthcurno) Top Class - Porthcurno





Class Attendance This week's attendance hot spot goes to Lamorna with 98.1% Well done all. **AMORNA**



This Week's Hot Chocolate Friday Winners!

Aedan L was nominated by Mrs Somers because of how he helped his friends stack all their chairs at lunchtime as well as his own. Thank you.

Azalia A was nominated by Miss Brant because of her incredible art work and always having a lovely smile on her face.

Beth W-R was nominated by Mrs Gardner because she is always polite and well mannered in breakfast club.

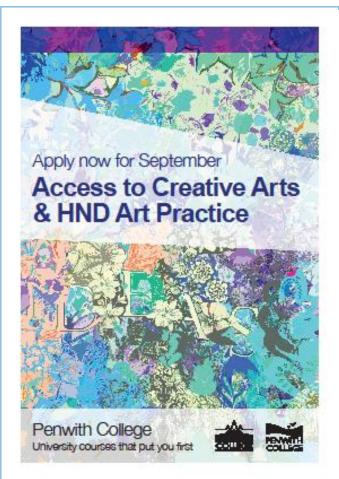
Loveday McM was nominated by Mrs Sandow because she swam with such confidence and got dressed and ready before anyone else. You were a super swimmer!

Florence B was nominated by Mrs Davies because she is just an amazing pupil - working hard all of the

Daisy M was nominated by Miss Rowe because her kindness towards others shines through every single day.

Pippa L was nominated by Mr Larter because she always displays beautiful manners by wishing him good morning every day which is always a welcome start to the day.

Jessie P was nominated by Mrs Challoner because she very kindly stopped some children and held the door open so that Mrs Challoner could go through before her. Beautiful manners.



The HND course is housed in the prestigious and inspirational location of Penzance School of Art. Challenging you to investigate a diverse range of media and enabling you to develop your own innovative visual language, the HND course pushes you to realise your creative potential. You will be encouraged to explore and develop skills through practical engagement with materials and processes; Curatorial and professional practice is also integrated throughout the course in conjunction with local and international artists, designers, curators and galleries.

The Access to Higher Education: Creative Arts course is designed to give students the necessary grounding to progress on to Higher Education courses. This course is designed to develop your creative potential and allow you to identify the area of specialism most tailored to your aspirations and ability; giving students the knowledge, skills and understanding to explore, develop and test their creativity in areas such as fine art, drawing, painting, ceramics, glass, textiles, printmaking and photography.

Our end of year exhibition runs from June 26th to 30th at the Penzance School of Art, we would be delighted if any of the staff, pupils or parents would like to visit. Please do let us know if you would like to arrange a tour with one of our team during this time.

Best wishes and thanks

The Art team at Penwith College.

Claire Armitage-Scotter (Lecturer)

Simon Hartles (Lecturer)

Lucy Hartles (Lecturer)

Richard Lapworth (Lecturer)





CORNISH Cream Tea Lunch THURSDAY 13TH JUNE

The cream tea tradition flourished in the Westcountry following the tourism boom in the 1850s, brought on by the opening of the railway.

Visitors bustled south looking to relax and indulge, and hotels, tearooms, farmhouses and cafés were happy to oblige - offering delicious afternoon cream teas, made with the finest local ingredients.

Proper Cornish Steak Pasty

or

Proper Cornish Cheese and Onion Pasty

Scone with Jam and Cream

or

Fresh Fruit





