

MATHS UPDATE

What's been going on with Maths most recently?

Some classes have had large display whiteboards installed for their classroom to be used as a 'working wall'. This is intended to show a journey of learning key concepts in Maths and a place which children can use independently for: accessing key vocabulary; the layout/structure of the skill in which they are learning; reminders of prior topics and key questions to challenge children's thinking. The classes also have colourful sentence stems displayed such as: 'I know this because...', 'I think it is true as...' and 'I disagree because...' which encourages high quality discussions and develops their ability to reason: a key focus of the National Curriculum. (See examples below!)

Recent data shows that as a whole school, 78.2% of children are attaining age related expectations that, using the end of KS2 National benchmark for Maths last year of 75% shows something to be proud of. Children are making good progress and for those who are not, key interventions are put in place to help them catch up over time. We analyse data very carefully to ensure that no child slips through the net so during the summer term, much work will go into ensuring all children make expected (or accelerated) progress before the end of the academic year.



Teachers are always trying new resources or strategies to engage and further enhance children's maths knowledge and this is something that we like to share between the team to keep things fresh and our methods up to date! The games handed out in our Reception classes are a testament to this and has seen to be popular as well as have impact on the children's love of the subject. Hopefully, this is something that can be continue as we are now in the process of creating new games for them.



After Half Term, KS2 children will be battling it out to see who can be the school's 'Rock Heroes' which should be a new, exciting tournament to engage children in their times tables and promote some friendly Class Vs Class rivalries! I've had lots of Y4 children come to me recently who have achieved their St Hilary times table cards and this always makes me a very proud Maths leader!

I'm sure I don't need to remind you that our Year 6 and 2 cohorts will be taking their SATs tests next week which is always something the children work hard towards. Whilst these tests give us some vital data on how well they have progressed throughout KS2, they also show off the high-quality teaching they've received and the children's effort being the best they can be. I'd like to wish them all the best of luck as I know they will make themselves and everyone else proud no matter what the results!

Either in the final half term or the beginning of the new academic year, we would love to engage parents in a maths bonanza evening as the previous one was a huge success. We would have liked to have done one already this year but with so much going on, we felt it might be overload. If there is anything you desperately want to know or see at these sessions – please do not hesitate to get in contact with me.



Keep encouraging every day use of maths at home (counting, weighing, telling the time, looking out for bargains in the shops etc) and for children to use Mathletics, TTrackstars and Math Shed to keep practising basic skills.

Thank you for your continued support – Mr Ashley Larter

Fabulous Full-Markers

Prussia Cove

Tressa A
Marley S
Jessica H
Amy K-B
Missy M

Gwenver

Harvey C
Sonny M

Perran

Tegan C
Jessie P

Gwithian

Daisy R
Alfie L
Jack S-L
Malia W
Elise E
Annie B

Porthcurno

Lillia S
Brody T
Isabella R
Lexi I
Joshua T
Harriet W
Mazey H
Sikya C
Poppy M
Jonathan A
William J
Corey S
Archie D

Kynance Cove

William G
Millie C
Lola F
Lilla P
Jessica R
Harvey W
Ava C
Zela I
Chloe E
Max J

Accelerated Reader

Class Attendance

This week's attendance hot spot goes to Gwithian with 99.4%
Well done all.



Star Writers'

This week's 'Star Writers' were awarded with their special stickers in this morning's assembly! Check out their amazing writing on our writing display in the main school corridor.

George S - Perran
Jonathan A - Porthcurno
Teddy H - Gwithian

Huge well done children - keep up the fantastic writing!
Miss J :-)

CLASS CERTIFICATES WEEK ENDING 3RD MAY 2019

Perran	-	Pippa L & Liberty H
Prussia Cove	-	Missy M & Violet S
Porthcurno	-	The whole class
Kynance Cove	-	Christopher C, Lola F & William G
Gwithian	-	Florence B & Wyatt T
Gwenver	-	Amy M & Rowan K
Lamorna	-	Charlie A & Alaina R

SPELLING SHED

Speller of the Week - Isabella C (Yr 1)
Top Class - Perran



MATHS SHED

This week's Mathstronaut - Archie D (Yr 2)
Top Class - Porthcurno



ACADEMIC YEAR 2019/20

Next year's terms dates, along with our school training days are available on our school website under Calendar and Parent Zone—Dates for the diary.



This Week's Hot Chocolate Friday Winners!

Millie K was nominated by Mrs Jehu because she paid the cleaners a lovely compliment and said thank you for keeping the school clean.

Tegan C was nominated by Mrs Marsden because she is very polite and has good manners and great at tidying up! A pleasure to have in Fun Zone.

Gabe N was nominated by Miss Jelbert because he was really helpful tidying up after Kynance Cove's Stone Age day.

Phoebe H was nominated by Mrs Hammond because she always shows great enthusiasm in all she does.

Caleb S was nominated by Mrs Laity because she thought his suggestion on how to control pain from an injury was so amusing it made her laugh.

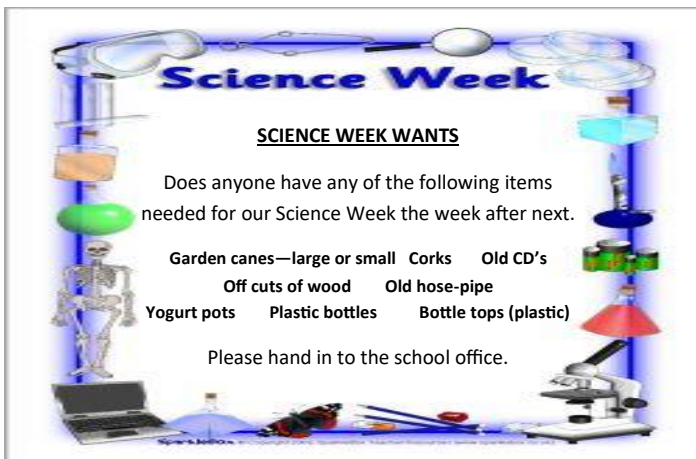
Daisy M was nominated by Mr Davey because he made a super application to Science, always keen to ask and answer questions.

Sam H was nominated by Miss McSally because he consistently turns up (and now always on time) to Fun Fit and did an awesome big skip of 92!!

Hayden W was nominated by Mr Hamshar because he is always so positive in class and his hard work and effort always shines through (both in lessons and on the football pitch!).

Maddie S was nominated by Mrs Challoner because she has had a fantastic week and generally been a superstar!





Science Week

SCIENCE WEEK WANTS

Does anyone have any of the following items needed for our Science Week the week after next.

Garden canes—large or small	Corks	Old CD's
Off cuts of wood	Old hose-pipe	
Yogurt pots	Plastic bottles	Bottle tops (plastic)

Please hand in to the school office.

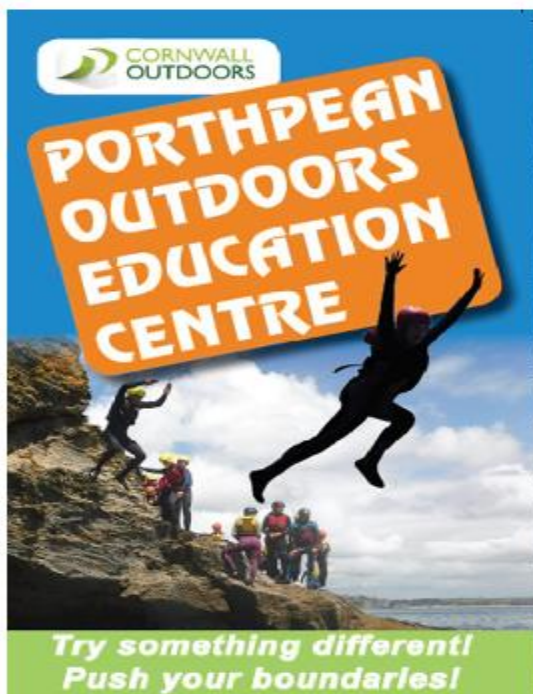
PTA Facebook Page

For those of you that didn't know the PTA has a Facebook page. It is open to all parents, grandparents and staff of St.Hilary School. It is designed to provide a forum to promote events, share information, talk about fundraising and discuss outcomes and details of PTA meetings and associated minutes. If you are not already a member of this page then please search for St Hilary PTA and request to join.

Thank you ☺

MAY HALF TERM ACTIVITIES






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Push your boundaries!*



WET & WILD DAYS

Tuesday and Thursday
Snorkelling, Canoeing,
Kayaking, MEGA SUPing,
coasteering!

MULTI ACTIVITY DAYS

Wednesday and Friday
Climbing, Archery,
Highropes!
£40/adult £36/child

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