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The St Hilary School Curriculum

It is great to see that the new Ofsted framework, introduced in September 2019, has put a real emphasis on delivering a broad and balanced curriculum and ensuring that there is a real depth in knowledge and skills learnt in all subjects. Our 'real project curriculum' has been developed over many years now and we were delighted that our curriculum was measured as "an undoubtable area of excellence" in our Challenge Partner review in the summer term. We are extremely proud of the breadth of the subjects that we teach, the amount of children who take part in the wide range of extra-curricular opportunities on offer, and the visible enjoyment of the children when working across the curriculum. However, with the introduction of the new framework, this is a perfect time for us to evaluate and review our curriculum.

At St Hilary, we believe that we have a duty to provide a curriculum which gives the children the knowledge, skills and confidence to achieve anything that they want to achieve - to open doors for them. Giving them the understanding of the vast range of opportunities that are beyond Cornwall, nationally and internationally, as well as fostering a love and appreciation of the qualities of the local environment. We know that we have succeeded in our intention when our children leave our school as young musicians, artists, designers, geographers, historians, sport enthusiasts, computer programmers and with high levels of skills in Maths and English. Equipped with an appropriate depth of knowledge and associated skills, our children should move into the Secondary phase of their education with a knowledge of what makes them feel challenged, relaxed, fulfilled, happy and motivated and have the resilience to apply this, regardless of their needs and socio-economic background.

We believe that when all children enjoy their learning, and feel challenged and motivated, then they become better learners.

Whilst we are very proud of the curriculum we currently offer, we have put curriculum development on our 2019-2020 School Improvement Plan. Currently, the National Curriculum is the starting point for curriculum development and the programmes of study have been carefully developed and interleaved between subjects to create engaging units of work which begin with an 'essential question' and build towards an authentic outcome.

So where next?

Over the next few weeks, all of our subject leaders will be meeting with the subject leaders from our partner schools to re-visit and agree on the key concepts for each subject - ensuring a continuity right from reception up to year 11. This will ultimately open up conversations about what makes each subject special and raise the profile of every subject. We also want to ensure that the most important subject specific vocabulary is being taught and remembered, and to have real clarity about what children at each stage of their education should know.

Giving children access to a wide range of quality subject based texts is vital in helping children to learn about each subject, and we will be looking at the books that we are using, and plan to expand this range. Our Pupil Parliament have made a great start on raising the funds needed for this, and will be holding a stall at the Christmas fair for this purpose.

Over the next few weeks, our teachers will be having fun creating 'knowledge organisers' containing the key knowledge that we want our children to be taught over the Spring term. You will receive a copy of this in the new year.

During the Spring term, each newsletter will feature a different subject to give you information on our approach to each curriculum area.....so watch this space!

Mrs K Butcher

On the 25th of November 2019 St Hilary School participated in the St Ives RFC Cross-Country race. It was hard, but we all finished with a smile on our face! We all were so proud after the race.

Caitlyn (Year 6) - It was a very challenging race and I finished with a great result - it wasn't 1st place but I tried my hardest.

Adelaide (Year 6) - It was very tough but I finished and I am very happy with the place I came!

Sam H (Year 6) - It was hard but I was determined to finish and I did!

It was a fun challenge and everyone tried their hardest, we all can't wait for our next race and to do even better. We all did super well and our legs are so exhausted! It was a good experience to have and we hope to do another one very very soon! A massive well done to everyone for their performances, but a special congratulations must go to Chris (Yr 4) and Jolie (Yr 5) who both came impressive first places in their races.

Report written by Caitlyn and Adelaide (Year 6)



CLASS CERTIFICATES WEEK ENDING 22ND NOVEMBER 2019

Olivia H & Bruno N Perran Florence H & Wilf H Prussia Cove Oliver C & Amy B **Porthcurno** Tallula D & Archie E Sennen **Kynance Cove** -William J & Elena K Gwithian Isaac S & Callum T Stanley P & Ruby S Gwenver Rowan K & Oscar S Lamorna

SPELLING SHED

Speller of the Week - Noah E-R (Gwenver)

Top Class - Gwenver

MATHS SHED

Mathstronaut - Isabella R (Kynance Cove)
Top Class - Gwenver

FUN ZONE & THE END OF THIS TERM

Fun Zone will not be running on Wednesday 18th

December or Friday 20th December.

Also, school will finish at 2 p.m. on Friday 20th December.



This Week's Hot Chocolate Friday Winners!

Erin 5 was nominated by Mrs Laity because she displayed her genuine care and concern when she comforted "me" when I was unwell.

George S was nominated by Miss Worsey because he has worked so hard in his maths lessons this week. Fantastic independent work.

Oscar N was nominated by Mrs Hammond because he is trying so hard in his swimming lessons and making such good progress.

Emily M was nominated by Mrs Wright because she has settled in so well and always has a smile on her face!

Noah E-R was nominated by Mr Hamshar because he was such a great sport during the hockey tournament making no fuss when asked to play for the other side! Excellence, empathy and endurance!!!

Penny P was nominated by Miss Jelbert because she really enjoys little chats with her every so often.

Harvey C was nominated by Mr Davey because of his excellent behaviour and independence in DT work

Phoebe S was nominated by Mrs Marsden because she was very in offering help in Fun Zone, and she is great company!







Former pupil Jacob Pengelly from Goldsithney has been selected for the England U16 boys hockey squad. After St Hilary School, he spent 3 years at Mounts Bay, and then went to board at Taunton School where he gained a scholarship in hockey and cricket. He has been dedicated and driven to achieve his goals and dreams of one day playing for the senior England and Great Britain team. He now trains once a month with the England squad and will play international matches against Wales, Scotland, Ireland, Holland, Belgium and Germany.

We are incredibly proud of him. Go Jacob!!!

JUNIOR & INFANT CHOIRS SINGING AT THE GOLDSITHNEY LIGHTS SWITCH ON

All children and parents are invited to take part in the Goldsithney Lights Switch On Parade on 6th December starting at St Piran's Hall at 6.15 p.m. The road will be closed from 6 p.m.

After the parade, at around 6.30 p.m., our Infant and Junior choirs will be performing their carols beside the tree.

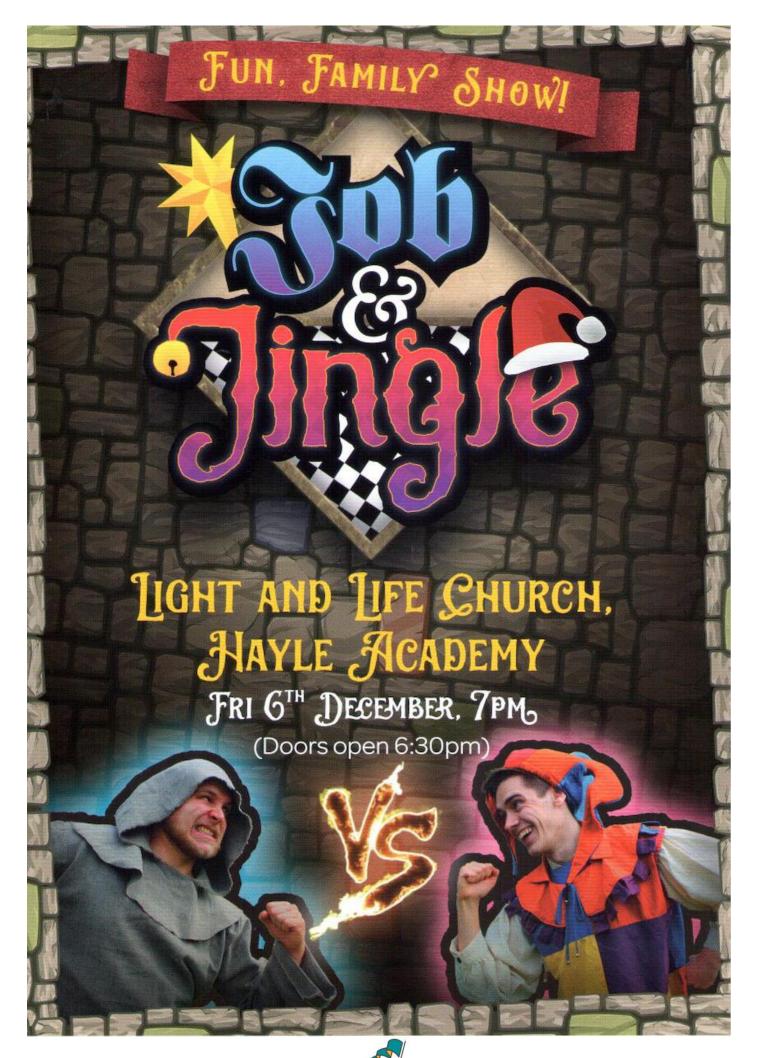
Santa will also be there at 7 p.m.

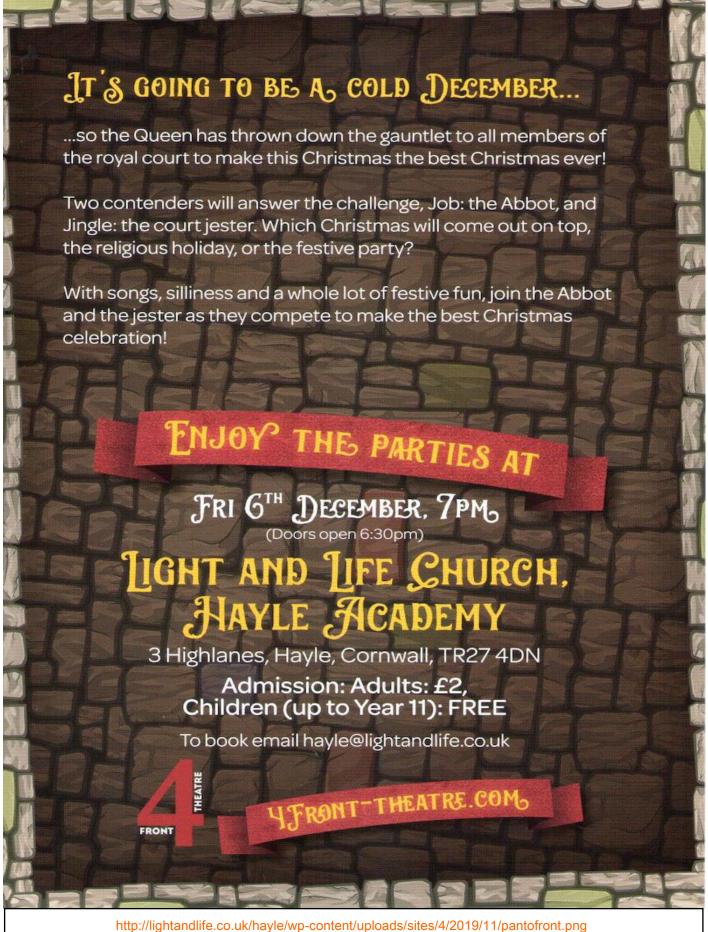
GOLDSITHNEY CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON PARADE

Free lantern making workshops for children wishing to take part in the parade for the Goldsithney Christmas Lights Switch On on Friday 6th December.

Workshops will be at St Pirans Hall on 26th & 28th November & 3rd & 5th December between 4pm - 6pm







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