



St Hilary School Newsletter

"The Best we can be"



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THE END OF ANOTHER ACADEMIC YEAR

When we set out our plans for this year, we had no clue about what was yet to come. As with all schools, we have risk assessments and plans for just about every scenario that we could think of, but Covid-19 was certainly a curve ball!

However, whilst I sit and reflect back on the challenges of the year it has still been one of a whole host of achievements, successes and things to be proud of. One of my highlights is the strongest sense of positivity and community which has emanated throughout. We are very proud of the education that we have provided, but without the kind and committed support from home it simply wouldn't have worked. Our staff have had to adapt to a new style of teaching (literally overnight) and we won't pretend it has been easy, but with their passion, dedication and willpower mixed with the kind words of encouragement from the parents of our children, I don't think much more could have been achieved.

The end of each academic year is the time that we say 'good-bye' and 'good luck' to our Year 6 children. Whilst they have experienced a Year 6 like no others, I am so glad that they were able to return to school to round-off their primary years. They have much more than coped, and have, in fact, adapted amazingly well to the change of routines that living in a "bubble" has brought. I could not be prouder of their conduct and hope that in a few years they look back and remember this time with positive and happy memories. On behalf of all of our staff, I wish them nothing but the very best of starts to their Secondary education.

It is quite usual for the end of each school year to bring about change. As a partnership of schools, we say good-bye to Sara Davey (our MAT CEO) as she moves into retirement. Sara has been a hugely positive influence over our school both before and after joining the MAT and her belief that the sky is as high as we want it to be has kept us on a forward-thinking path. We would like to thank Sara for all that she has done and wish her all the best. Whilst they are huge shoes to fill (figuratively speaking of course!) I look forward to the challenge of taking on this role from September to Easter, albeit it feeling rather strange and with some sadness. St Hilary School is a truly special place and I have honestly loved spending the last 24 years being a part of it. It would be extremely difficult to find anywhere else where happiness oozes quite so much! I have no doubt at all that Mr Hamshar will do a fantastic job of taking the reins and I know that he also looks forward to the new challenge.

Due to the changes in leadership and the consequential movements, we are delighted to welcome Emma Reynolds to the teaching team (going into Year 5). She will be a great asset to the school.

Last of all, I would like to say well done and thank you to your wonderful children. They have continued to work with such enthusiasm and positive learning behaviours throughout the year. They constantly make us smile and be proud and we are so sorry that we couldn't see them all in person to wish them a great summer break.

Have a great Summer.

Mrs K Butcher



GOOD LUCK MRS B!

Mrs Butcher epitomises the school motto – ‘the best we can be!’



For 24 years (since 1996!!!) she has given her heart and soul (and blood, sweat and tears) to our school. Her hard work and efforts, particularly over the last 8 as Head, have led the school from strength to strength and improved the education and life-chances of all our children. Her child-centred approach and multi-faceted leadership qualities are an inspiration to all of us at St Hilary!

You can appreciate then, none of us were surprised when she was appointed to the position of interim CEO for LEAP (the Multi-Academy Trust we are part of) for two terms.

With all of this in mind, I thought that the whole school community would like to join me in wishing her the very best of luck in this new, challenging and very exciting role! We are so proud of her and literally cannot think of anyone better to be taking it on – both for the MAT and our very special school!

Good luck Mrs B and just keep on doing what you always do – being the best you can be!



Books, books and more books!



In this final newsletter, we wanted to say a huge thank you and well done to a team of Year 6 children and parents, who have worked so hard to leave the school with an amazing reading legacy, as they move on to Secondary School.



Caleb, Alfie and Dan – with the tenacious and determined efforts of Tamsyn and Nessie – have raised money, researched our reading scheme (Accelerated Reader) and done some amazing ‘wheeler-dealing’, to source a quite staggering 800+ books for the school library!!!!

This contribution will make huge difference to the quality of reading choice our children have. As a school community I am sure you all would like to join me in saying how incredibly grateful for their efforts and parting gifts we are!

Thank you, thank you, thank you!

(And I'm reliably informed the reading book quest is still ongoing!)



TERM DATES 2020/21

Autumn Term 2020

Thursday 3rd September – Friday 18th December 2020

Thursday 3rd September – School training day (children not in)

Friday 4th September – School training day (children not in)

Monday 7th September – Children return to school for Autumn 1

Friday 23rd October – Break up for half-term

Monday 2nd November – Children return to school for Autumn 2

Friday 18th December – Break up for Christmas Holiday

Spring Term 2021

Monday 4th January – Thursday 1st April 2021

Monday 4th January – Children return to school for Spring 1

Friday 12th February – Break up for half-term

Monday 22nd February – Children return to school Spring 2

Thursday 1st April – Break up for Easter Holiday

Summer Term 2021

Monday 19th April – Friday 23rd July 2021

Monday 19th April – Children return to school for Summer 1

Monday 3rd May – Bank Holiday

Friday 28th May – Break up for half-term

Monday 7th June – Children return to school for Summer 2

Friday 23rd July – Break up for Summer Holiday

3 school training days still to be confirmed



SCHOOL DINNER PRICE INCREASE

The price of a school dinner will increase by 10p per day from 3rd September 2020 from £2.30 to £2.40 per day.

This change will not affect those who are entitled to free school meals through the Universal Free School Meals programme in Reception, Years 1 and 2. It will also not affect children in KS 2 who have access to free school meals. If you are unsure about your eligibility for this please go to our website or the Cornwall Council website and follow this link www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning

Please remember to keep your ParentPay school meals account topped up as meals are payable in advance. If you have not yet logged on to your ParentPay account, or need help doing so, please let us know. Even if you do not pay for school meals, it is essential that you activate your ParentPay account as we also use this for parents to pay for trips etc.



Perran

On Friday I went surfing
in the sea then we
went to the beach on Saturday
I went on a walk in the
woods on Sunday. Next
we went to the pub.
Finally I went to the park.

Olivia

Last weekend I went to the beach
with my family. It was so hot
and sunny. We had a picnic
under a big tree. There were two
big pines. We were so high
up. The sea was very blue.

Olive

Last weekend we
brought a new net.
We went to
Marazion beach and
went net fishing with
the net. It was fun.
There were lots of
crabs and fish. One
crab pinched me but
I am fine now.

Olly

"The children have been writing
about their last weekend as a
member of Perran Class. Some
children have chosen to type it and
others have written very carefully.
Well done to everyone and good
luck in your new classes!"

Last week I went to my
cousin's house. I played on the
trampoline. I had lunch and
cake. When we got home we
did gardening. We had
dinner and played cluedo
me and mum. On Sunday I got up and
had some breakfast.
Mummy and granddad came
for lunch and we had
a walk to the park.

Jowan

I went to the beach
I saw lots of seashells.
I went on the sandcastle.
I stood up.
I had tea on the beach.

Isabelle

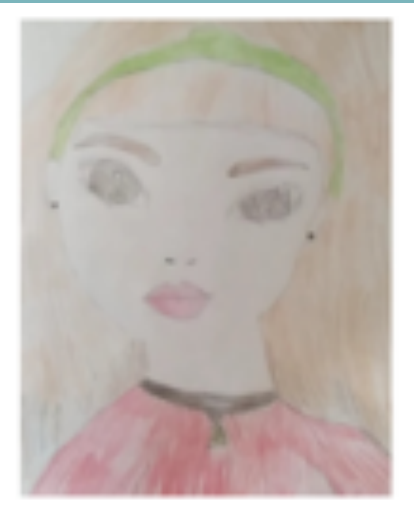
Last weekend I went to the beach and climbed the rocks then went in the sea.
After that we went to see a baby named Olivia. She was very cute.
Then we went home and me and May played in the garden. I like playing in the garden.
On Saturday I helped mum with kids. It was very fun.

Lily





This week, Gwithian has been completing revision work and work for their portfolio. Here you can see Taher's word art about year 4 and Gus' self-portrait. Below we have Chloe's self-portrait and then Rosie's and Isabelle's word art about Year 4.



Here we have an amazing piece of artwork by Hana and word art by Aedan.



Lamorna Class have been completing numerous end of year and leaving activities. These will be on a 'Leavers' page on the Year 6 class web page' on the school website very soon – we are working on uploading videos as you read this!

There is the Leavers lip-sync video, the leavers awards, a photo and video montage and maybe a few special guest appearances from internet tutors we have been inspired by.

Please be patient if these are not immediately available we are working hard to share them with you!!

We are so proud of them all!



Sennen



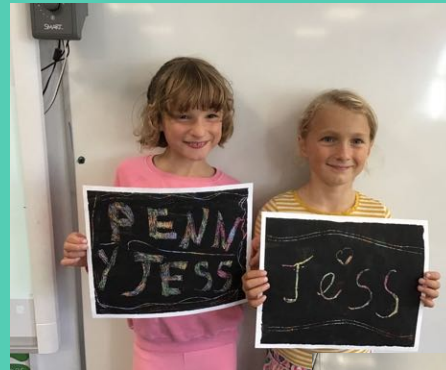
Archie, Thomas & Tallula's perspective photography made both myself and Mrs Hammond chuckle.



Sennen Class have had yet another fantastic week of Seesaw learning - both in school and at home. We have had some hilarious prospective photography, the children have shared their favourite memories of our year together and they have been introducing themselves to the lovely Mrs Newing.

I couldn't be prouder of each and everyone of them for their hard work this year!

Go Team Sennen!



Jess, Penny & George created lovely rainbow scratch art.



Rosie & Stella produced a wonderful 'Getting to know you' work.





Monty



Daisy



In our final week, we have been completing lots of varied activities including: Classroom Secrets KIDS online tasks; Emoji Maths; reflection and celebrations of our Seesaw journals; Kahoot quizzes, TTrackstar battles; Creating our own superheroes; exercise workouts and transition work to name but a few.

I also set the children a project to represent their Year 5 experience in any way they wanted. We had some stunning work involving baking, lego, arts and crafts to drawings and we're so proud of their achievements.



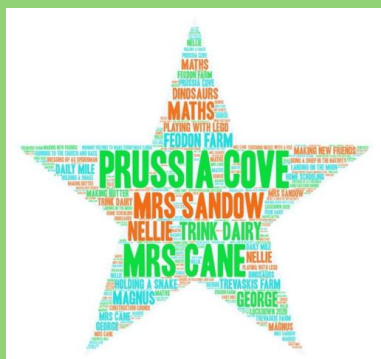
This year has been a rollercoaster but the children have been impeccable! Their enthusiasm and positivity really has helped during these strange times and we'd like to thank them for doing such an incredible job.

I would personally like to thank Mrs Ballard and Mrs Tresidder for all their hard work and also to the parents for their continued support. Have an awesome summer everyone – I think we all deserve it!

Well done GWENVER class -See you in September.



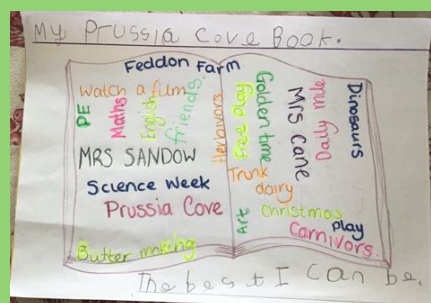
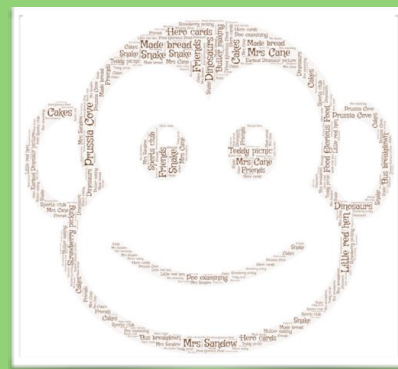
Prussia Cove

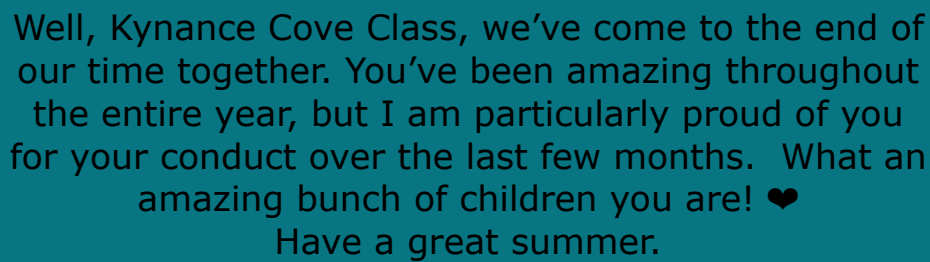


Prussia Cove have been writing their summer bucket lists and proud and memorable moments.

They have also created wordles of Prussia Cove and number lines using everyday objects.

Mrs Sandow and Mrs Cane have been blown away by all of the beautifully presented work and activities on Seesaw and are very proud of all the children, what incredible superstars you have been!






Dangerous Bitty

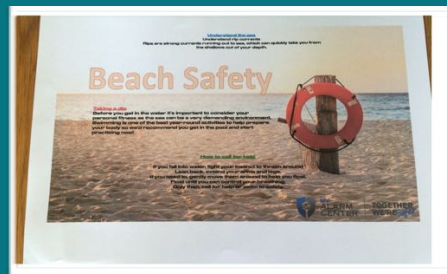
Save the world

I will save the world
by jumping
over buildings
and roofs
with my
cape and
power
people.



enemies
all Badkies

Super Power
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eye Power



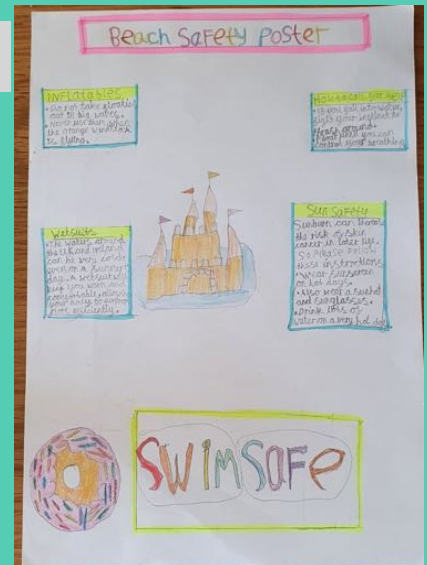
The drawing is titled "Eco-L" in large, bold letters. On the left side, there is a vertical list of actions: "turn off the light", "don't use too much water", "recycle paper", "use a reusable bottle", "use a reusable bag", "use a reusable cup", "use a reusable plate", "use a reusable bowl", "use a reusable spoon", "use a reusable fork", "use a reusable knife", "use a reusable glass", "use a reusable jar", "use a reusable can", "use a reusable bottle", "use a reusable bag", "use a reusable cup", "use a reusable plate", "use a reusable bowl", "use a reusable spoon", "use a reusable fork", "use a reusable knife", "use a reusable glass", "use a reusable jar", "use a reusable can". In the center, there is a small drawing of a boy and a girl holding hands. The boy is wearing a red shirt and green pants, and the girl is wearing a green shirt and red pants. They are standing on a path that leads to a large, stylized letter "L" in the background.

Porthcurno



Cohen

Amy



Oliver



Sharla

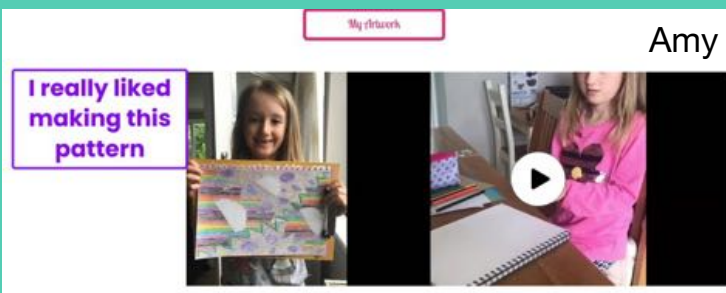
This week we have been designing Beach Safety posters and looking at Perspective Photography. What a year Porthcurno Class, you have all been amazing! Wishing you the most fabulous Summer Holiday and we'll see you in September!



Raffy

My artwork

Amy



Sharla



FREE SCHOOL MEALS

So many families will currently be affected by a sudden loss or drop in income. If your financial circumstances have changed, have you considered if you might be eligible for free school meals? During this time, families of children who are eligible are currently receiving shopping vouchers each week to the value of the usual lunches.



Free school meals are an entitlement for any family who receives:

- Universal Credit with net ("take Home") income not exceeding £7,400 (£616.67 per month)
- Income Support (IS)
- Job Seekers' Allowance (Income-based)
- Income Related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190, as assessed by HMRC
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

If you think that you may be eligible and wish to apply the form can be downloaded from the bottom of the page here: https://st-hilary.eschools.co.uk/website/school_meals/129968 or search 'Free School Meals' on our website: www.st-hilary.eschools.co.uk/website

If you need any help filling it in, or haven't got a printer and would like a copy to be sent to you then please do not hesitate to contact me on head@st-hilary.cornwall.sch.uk

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Have a great

