



NEWSLETTER

Friday 5th December 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

This week we have been busy beginning to prepare for our Christmas celebrations. On Wednesday, our Reception children joined all of the other Reception children across our CELT schools at Bodmin railway to see Father Christmas. Today the children in Year 3 have been on a wonderful trip to Cornwall Museum in Truro. Tonight, Mrs Jolliff and I are looking forward to attending a Carol Concert with some of our children who have been busy practising their songs, along with some other schools in the local community.

DIARY DATES

December

Wednesday 10th -

Christmas dinner

Thursday 11th -

Christmas jumper
day / Santas on the
run

Friday 12th - KS2

Christmas Carol
concert

All aboard the Santa by Steam trip!

On Wednesday, Reception children had the most magical time on the Bodmin Railway. A journey filled with excited faces, festive cheer and a sprinkle of Christmas magic. From the moment the steam train rolled in, to meeting Santa himself, the joy and wonder on the children's faces said it all. Throughout the trip, the children listened and followed instructions well, we were very proud of them all.





YEAR 4 TRIP TO CORNWALL MUSEUM

Year 4 – Our Amazing Trip to Truro Museum!

Last week, Year 4 enjoyed a fantastic and educational day out at Truro Museum, diving deep into the world of the Romans. The trip was packed with hands-on learning, exciting discoveries, and creative activities that brought our history topic to life.

Our visit began with a workshop led by the museum’s expert staff. The children had the rare opportunity to examine real Roman artefacts up close. They were fascinated by items such as pottery fragments, coins, and tools. Using observation and discussion, the children became “mini-archaeologists,” thinking carefully about what each object could tell us about daily life in Roman Britain.

The creative highlight of the day was the clay workshop, where the children made their own Roman-style oil lamps. After learning how Romans used these lamps for light, the children used clay tools to shape, smooth, and decorate their own versions. Each lamp was unique, and many pupils added animal features to them.

The museum staff were impressed by the children’s focus, care, and creativity. These lamps will be coming home soon—please look out for them!

Throughout the day, the children showed excellent behaviour, curiosity, and teamwork. They asked insightful questions, worked brilliantly in groups, and represented the school beautifully.





Star Learners



The children have been amazing this week and they have been chosen for a variety of reasons.

Reception – Arlen for showing brilliant listening skills throughout the week particularly during PE and on our trip

Year 1 – Riley for having a great attitude towards new challenges

Year 2 – Lillie-Mae for going above and beyond with her learning and always aiming high

Year 3 – Sharon for showing such a great improvement and attitude towards her writing

Year 4 – Josh for participating well in lessons and working hard

Year 5 – Amber for her hard work and determination in both her writing and her RE

Year 6 – Lola for her continued effort with all her learning

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY / SANTAS ON THE RUN

On Thursday, all children can come into school wearing their PE kits with a Christmas jumper as we are doing Santas on the Run in the afternoon.



CELT TIMES TABLES COMPETITION

The CELT times tables competition is still on until Sunday 8th December at 7.30 pm. The children are encouraged to log on to Times Table Rockstars at home and practise their multiplication skills. They can play any game mode, and every correct answer will help boost their score.

There will be prizes for the top-scoring children as well as a special reward for the winning class with the highest total of correct answers.

This is a fantastic opportunity for the children to build confidence, improve their recall and have fun while doing it. Let's get rocking those times tables! 🤖 🎸



ATTENDANCE

EYFS/KS1 ARIAL



WINNER - Montessori

KS2 ALFIE



WINNER - Shackleton

Attendance this week

Montessori (R/Y1) – 91.1%


Jemison (Y1/2) – 89%

Attenborough (Y3) – 90.2%

Franklin (Y4) – 93.2%

Shackleton (Y5) – 94.4%

QEII (Y6) – 93.9%

Whole School – 91.5% 

BRITISH VALUES CHAMPIONS

Reception / Year 1 – Finley for his growing confidence and individual liberty

Year 1 / 2 – Lily M for showing respect to others and being a caring friend

Year 3 – Brogan for always showing respect and kindness to others

Year 4 – Siena for being tolerant of others

Year 5 – Piper for taking such time and care in helping her partner to edit and improve her English work

Year 6 – Locryn for following the Rule of Law



Well done to our British values champions!

CHRISTMAS DATES

Tuesday 9th December – KS2 Carol concert rehearsal

Wednesday 10th December – Christmas dinner day

Thursday 11th December – Santas on the run

Thursday 11th December – Christmas jumper day

Friday 12th December – KS2 Christmas Carol Concert @ 2pm

Monday 15th December – Reception / Year 1 Christmas Café @ 2.15

Tuesday 16th December – KS2 Cinema trip

Tuesday 16th December – Year 1 / 2 Christmas café @ 2.15

Wednesday 17th December – Nursery Christmas café @ 8.45am



Read Write Inc Virtual Classroom



Please find this week's Virtual Classroom video links in the document attached to this newsletter. These links enable children in Reception to Year 3 to practise their reading skills with you at home. They directly link to the skills they have been learning during their daily Read Write Inc sessions. You should be able to just click on the hyperlinks within the document and be taken straight to a video clip. Please set aside 10 minutes to watch films with your child each week, find a quiet space for your child to watch the film on a laptop, phone or tablet and praise your child as they join in with the lesson. Please see the diary dates for the upcoming parent information sessions where you can find out more information about Read Write Inc.

ACCESS FOR ALL

Who Can Apply?

You can apply for a Access4ALL Card if your child or young person:

- Is aged **0–25**,
- Lives in **Cornwall**, and
- Has a **special educational need or disability**



How to Apply

To request an Access4ALL Discount Card for children and young people with SEND between 0-25, please register your child/young person's details onto the **Disabled Children's Record**.

Need help? Contact the Family Information Service at **0800 587 8191** or email fis@cornwall.gov.uk.

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Mrs Rachel Clift



Where we laugh, learn and grow