Pondhu Primary School

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NEWSLETTER

Friday 2nd February 2024

Good afternoon everyone,

We have seen some fantastic learning at Pondhu this week. It has been great to spend time in classes talking to the children about their learning. I have been really impressed with our Reception children and how confident they are with their phonics. The children in Year 5 had some fantastic ideas for their poetry and we have seen some great maths work across the school.

RECEPTION

Reception have been learning about Chinese New Year. 2024 is the year of the dragon! The children created their own dragons by cutting out colourful strips, a head and a tail and sticking them together to make their own unique designs.





DIARY DATES

February

5th – 9th February Children's mental health week 9th February end of term 3.15/3.20 finish 28th February Writing for pleasure day

March

19th March Performance Poetry Assembly 26th March Y2 trip to Eden Project 28th March end of term 1.15 finish



YEAR 2 & 4 DODGEBALL

On Monday a team from year 2 and a team from year 4 competed in the dodgeball festival at Poltair. Valiantly playing through the cold winds, the two teams did Pondhu proud, a massive well

done to all.











Star Learners

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

Reception – Jack for putting in so much effort to achieve his goals

Year 1 – Holli-Rae for always joining in and amazing writing

Year 2 – Seth for becoming a more independent learner

Year 3 – Ruby-Rose for trying really hard with her learning

Year 4 - Tommy for his hard work and excellent progress with his reading

Year 5 – James for an outstanding attitude to learning in his new class

Year 6 – DeeJay for amazing reading and having such a positive attitude towards her work

CONGRATULATIONS everyone!

ATTENDANCE





Attendance this week

Montessori (R) - 94%

Anning (Y1) - 84.3%

Nightingale (Y2) – 85.6%

Attenborough (Y3) – 93.8%

Hawking (Y4) - 93.1%

Owens (Y5) - 94.5%

Einstein (Y6) – 96.8%

Whole school - 91.2%

Children's Mental Health Week

During the week beginning the 5th of February, we will be learning about ways to keep ourselves healthy. On Friday 9th February, the children can come into school in non-uniform. They can wear whatever makes them comfortable and happy. After school there will be a cake sale on the Reception playground. Cakes will be on sale for 50p.

PARKING UPDATE

We have been in contact with Treveth Holdings who are demolishing the council offices about ensuring the bottom car park gates are opened every morning. They are now on site again as demolition commences on Monday and have assured us they will be opening the car park gates every morning. Hopefully there will not be any further issues moving forwards.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday 6th February – Netball and Football away to Fowey Friday 9th February – SCD parent support group Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February half term

Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Mrs Rachel Clift