



Autumn Term- Newsletter 11

Last week was National Anti-Bullying Week and all of the classes discussed how they could help out to make sure that bullying has no place at Luxulyan. Ash and Beech Class heard the story of David and Goliath in assembly and learnt that they could all make a difference no matter how small, just like David. Ash Class then read "The Ugly Duckling" and had a discussion about kindness and inclusion. Beech Class read the story the Big Bully Goat Gruff and the Ant and made connections with the David and Goliath story. Sycamore class acted out some bullying scenarios; by the end of the session all children knew how to recognise bullying behaviour and how to help someone who they thought was being bullied. Oak Class explored ways to deal with bullies, find help and stay safe and happy in school.

In other areas of the curriculum, Oak researched and recreated the surface of the moon using clay to create a variety of textures; they included craters, mountains, valleys, rocks and rubble. Beech practiced their colour mixing skills to create a flame coloured backdrop for a Great Fire of London piece of artwork. Ash enjoyed a Cosmic Kids yoga session to help get into the right mindset for their afternoon learning and Sycamore explored the rock cycle in a practical Geology lesson. Using Starburst sweets to represent sand, pebbles and stones, the children made Sedimentary rocks, Metamorphic samples by adding heat (from a hairdryer) and pressure (from our own hands). The children then watched Mrs Mileham demonstrate how Metamorphic rock changes from liquid molten (represented by melted candle wax) into Igneous rock. They then discussed the erosion process to understand how the whole cycle is repeated and finally all finished the packet of Starbursts!

A number of parents have enquired about our plans for Christmas in school this year, we begin this week with Ash Class participating in a PALS Craft and School Cinema Day. As December arrives next week, we will have a festive edition of the newsletter to explain what Christmas at Luxulyan looks like this year.

Enjoy your week,

Emma Williams

Acting Head of School

Jigsaw Celebrating Difference

We are very proud of the Stars of the Week.

Last week we celebrated who children who know how to help if someone is being bullied.



Attendance from 16/11/20 to 23/11/20

Ash	92.7%
Beech	99.3%
Sycamore	100.00%
Oak	95.9%
Overall	97.8%

Ash Class



Grow



Beech Class



Learn



Sycamore



Enjoy



Oak Class



Excel



Diary Dates

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24th Nov	Cornwall Cricket continue to work with Beech Class
25th Nov	Plymouth Argyle continue to work with Sycamore and Oak Class
27th Nov	PALs Christmas Craft & Cinema day for Ash
30th Nov	PALs Christmas Craft & Cinema day for Beech
4th Dec	PALs Christmas Craft & Cinema day for Sycamore
11th Dec	PALs Christmas Craft & Cinema day for Oak
16th Dec	Christmas Dinner Day
18th Dec	Last Day– finish at 1:30 pm



Music Lessons

Anna Minear from Cornwall Music Service visited the school on Friday. We are keen to use her expertise to provide a range of exciting musical opportunities for our children.

One of the areas we are looking to develop is our offer of Peripatetic Music teachers. If you would be interested in your child learning a musical instrument please fill out the online form, link below.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=XMFkNcvPo0CcVShFSfbGJ92xwNXTqbhAs-4mcXGRxUxUOUdQQVZHMUNOWDNVUEhGTFY5WFpLWDBKWC4u>

Thank you to all of the parents who have already done so. We currently have interest in:

- Guitar
- Ukulele
- Drums
- Keyboard/Piano
- Violin

I will be discussing these requests with Anna to see what we can begin to provide. As always, any questions please do not hesitate to ask.

Emma Williams

APPLYING FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS/PUPIL PREMIUM/FUNDING FOR SCHOOL

All Key Stage 1 children automatically receive a free school meal as part of the Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM) initiative when they are in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 regardless of household income or benefits.

Schools also receive funding (Pupil Premium) for each child registered as eligible for free school meals (FSM) at any point in the last 6 years. FSM eligibility depends on if you are in receipt of one or more of the qualifying benefits (listed below and you are NOT in receipt of Working Tax Credit, we politely request that you contact the school for a form or go online and apply direct at www.cornwall.gov.uk/schoolmeals

This funding is valuable as it can be spent on additional support for your child and can assist them with academic, social and emotional learning, as well supporting the funding of extra-curricular activities.

Qualifying Benefits

Families must be in receipt of one of the following benefits listed below to be eligible for Free School Meals/Pupil Premium:

- Universal Credit with net ('take home') income not exceeding £7,400 (£616.67 per month)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- 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 entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190 as assessed by HRMC
- Working Tax Credit run on – paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit