

Luxulyan School Newsletter





SUMMER TERM 2 4th May 2018

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ASH CLASS

In Literacy, we have been innovating our class story 'How to Catch a Star,' with our own stories. We have now written the introduction, build-up, climax, resolution and ending of our stories. We have great imaginations in Ash class which have helped us write stories about catching dragons, fairies, butterflies and even superheroes! To improve our writing further we have been trying to include time connectives as well as remembering our capital letters, full stops and finger spaces.

In Maths, we have been counting on and back in 2s, 5s and 10s. Through practical investigations such as hand printing and counting our wellies, the Reception children have been focusing on counting on. The Year 1s have been solving problems practically involving counting on and back. They have recorded their findings in their books, including the patterns which occur when we add odd and even numbers together.

During Reception children's child-initiated activity time, we have been busy creating rockets with our names on, adding numbers in an 'Alien' adding machine, retelling the story 'Whatever Next' and writing space travel tickets for our friends in the space role-play area.

The Year 1 children have settled really well into Ash class and have enjoyed engaging with the new and challenging activities we have set them. We want to reassure parents that their morning routine and structure has remained the same, with children being taught Phonics, Literacy and Mathematics at a level that is appropriate to their age and ability.

Year 1 children will be given homework every Friday to be given in on Thursdays. Now the children have settled into Ash Class, we will continue with the Year 1 spelling test on a Friday. This Friday, children will be tested on Week 3 words detailed in the front of their green homework folders.

If you have any concerns or questions, we will be happy to speak to you.

Miss Carter and Mrs Berry

BEECH CLASS

The Year 2's have had a very busy week..!

Miss Robertson, Mrs Hawkins and Mrs Yelland completed Maths assessments at the beginning of the week, which served as valuable SATs paper practice and identified areas to revisit for useful revision. These areas will be covered and explored in depth over the next 3 weeks.

Mrs Bailey, Assistant Headteacher, from Mevagissey school came in on Tuesday to lead a 'writing challenge' day with the Year 2's-which led to some brilliant outcomes and progress! She will visit Luxulyan 3 more times before half term, to continue to support and develop our exciting writing further.

The afternoons have involved exciting learning too including science and art.

Additionally, there is a real focus on improving handwriting and spellings. Year 2's need to learn 'common exception' words and home learning activities are being sent home today to further support this learning.



We invite Y2 parents/carers in 2-2:30pm on Wednesday 16th May for a KS1 SATS information meeting where we will let you know about the format of the testing period and give you an opportunity to ask any questions.

• See separate letter for more information.

Well done to the Y1's and Y2's for adapting to their new class arrangements so brilliantly so far this term!

Thank you to parents and carers for your continued support.

Mrs L-D-L.

SYCAMORE

During the last two weeks Sycamore class have been working hard on their story writing. Using 'Pie Corbett's 'Talk for Writing' scheme, the children have written some amazing first paragraphs of their adventure stories.

In Maths, the Year 4 children have been looking at decimals with the Year 3 children been dealing with money problems. Our new Maths scheme 'Maths –No problem 'has greatly enhanced our learning with the children using concrete and pictorial resources materials before moving on.

Our topic work 'Sounding off' is progressing well with the children making lots of noise with drums, violins, rulers and of course their own vocal chords! Many thanks for all the cardboard boxes etc. which will be put to good use very soon.

Mrs Mileham

OAK CLASS SATS - YEAR 6

Our Year 6 children will sit their SATs (Standard Attainment Tests) in the week commencing 14th May.

They have been working very hard all year and although these are 'tests', the children have no need to worry about them. As long as each child tries their best, we are always very proud of them.

WELCOME BACK

Mrs Caroline Squire has returned to Luxulyan School as our Intervention Teaching Assistant and we are very pleased to welcome her back.

FITFOR15 IS BACK FOR THE SUMMER TERM!

We will be getting out there again for some fun, fresh air and exercise every Wednesday and Friday after lunch. It all begins next week so please make sure your child has trainers in school, a good sized water bottle and sun-cream/sun-hats for those rare hot Cornish days!

Mr Heagney

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBSD

Please note these clubs are provisional and subject to change

Monday – Film Club with Mrs Williams 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Monday – Multi Skills with Mrs Berry 3.15pm-4pm

Tuesday – Board Games with Mrs Mileham 3.15pm-4.15pm

Wednesday- Learning Zone with Miss Teobald 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Thursday – Summer Multi Sports Club with Mr Ryan Le-Doux-Lucas 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Thursday – Crafty Club with Miss Carter 3.15pm – 4pm

Friday – ICT Club with Mr Heagney and Mr Timmins

3.15pm-4.15pm

SPORTS DAY - 21ST JUNE 2018

We are hoping to hold our Sports Day on Thursday 21st June 2018. Let's hope the Cornish weather will be kind to us!

SCHOOL CENSUS - 17TH MAY 2018

There will be a special Royal Lunch Menu on Thursday 17th May to celebrate the Royal Wedding the following weekend.

This menu is a replacement to that on the current menu.

Lunches are £2.30 per child and is free to all Infant Pupils. Please pay on Parentpay.



SAFEGUARDING UPDATE

Pokémon Go: a parent's guide Tips and advice for keeping children safe on Pokémon Go

There are lots of good things about the game, and there's a reason it's become so popular, but it's important to learn the risks involved.

Please go to:

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventingabuse/keeping-children-safe/onlinesafety/pokemon-go-parents-guide/

HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME

During this Academic Year 2017-2018, we have received many requests for holidays.

Your child/ren only attend school for 190 days out of 365. This leaves 175 days for holidays. Please book your holidays during these 175 days of school holidays.

If you do take your child on holiday during term time without authorisation, then you will be at risk of receiving a Fixed Term Penalty Notice. Authorisation is only provided in exceptional circumstances.

Thankyou.

FINE WEATHER

In the event of fine weather please ensure that your child comes to school with adequate sun protection and a sun hat.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE FIGURES FOR SUMMER TERM 1

Regular attendance at school is essential for children to reach their full potential. As a school, our target is to ensure our overall attendance for the year is over 96%.

Our whole school attendance target is 96% for the year. Current whole school attendance from 19.04.18 to 02.05.18 is 95.4%. A breakdown of attendance figures is below:

Class	Attendance Figures
Ash	90.0%
Beech	95.5%
Sycamore	97.3%
Oak	95.2%

Well Done Sycamore Class with the highest attendance levels this week!

BLACK BAND KARATE READING

The last date for children to achieve their black band (120 reads) in reading will be Friday 25th May 2018.



CHANGES TO SWIMMING

Differing to our request in the swimming letter - please could children come in their PE kits to school on Monday and bring their swimming kits with them ready for their tennis and swimming lessons.

They do not need to bring their school uniform as they can stay in their PE kits for the day.

NEW RECEPTION CHILDREN STARTING IN SEPTEMBER 2018

School places have now been allotted for our new Reception intake for September 2018.

Everyone will receive a letter detailing transition days/stay and play sessions by May half term.

PORTHPEAN OUTDOOR RESIDENTIAL TRIP MEETING

Parents of children in Year 5 and 6 who will be going on the residential trip to Porthpean are invited to attend a meeting on Wednesday 23rd May at 2pm. The meeting will give details of the camp arrangements and finalised itineraries.

Parents will be able to ask any questions they may have regarding the trip.

DIARY DATES

7th May - Bank Holiday - School is closed

8th **May** - Plymouth Argyle PE training — Sycamore Class

14th - 18th May - SATS Week - KS2

15th May - Plymouth Argyle PE training -

Sycamore Class

16th May - KS1 SATS Beech Class Yr2 information meeting 2pm

21st-25th May - SATS Week - KS1

22nd May - Plymouth Argyle PE training -

Sycamore Class

23rd May - Porthpean Camp meeting for parents at 2pm

June

5th June - Plymouth Argyle PE training - Oak Class

6th June – School photos

11th-13th June Porthpean camp

19th June - Plymouth Argyle PE training -

Sycamore Class

21st **June** – Provisional Sports Day – weather

dependent

26th June - Plymouth Argyle PE training -

Sycamore Class

<u>July</u>

2nd July - Year 6 Penrice Move Up morning

3rd July - Plymouth Argyle PE training — Sycamore Class

3rd July - Whole School 'Move Up' Morning

10th July – SATs results Day

18th July - Oak Class Performance

20th July - Last day of term

20th July End of Year/Year 6 Leavers Assembly

September

4th September – First day back at school

STAFF TRAINING DAYS – CLOSED TO PUPILS

Monday 23rd July 2018 Tuesday 24th July 2018