



# Luxulyan School Newsletter



## SUMMER TERM 4

4<sup>th</sup> June 2018

### Ash Class

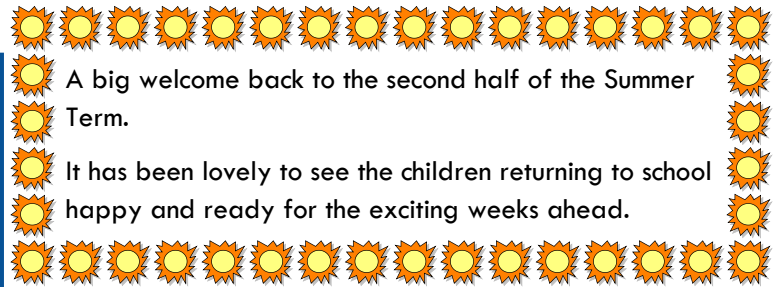
Our Topic this half-term is 'Under the Sea.' The children have enjoyed talking about their existing knowledge and understanding of the sea and have identified what they would like to know more about. In particular, the children want to find out if mermaids, sharks and submarines are actually real! We have also brainstormed ideas for a role-play linked to our topic which we have started to enhance with sea creatures, beach toys, fishing nets and even an ice-cream parlour.

In Literacy, we will be learning the story 'Sally and the Limpet' using storytelling actions and a story map. To help us learn the story well, we will also be role-playing the story and using our senses to explore things found at the seaside in rockpools. This story links well with our topic this half-term of 'Under the Sea.' As the story has an important message, we will be finding out about the importance of leaving creatures found in the rock pools in their natural habitat. Miss Carter learnt this important lesson when a limpet got stuck to her finger just like the character from the story!

This week in Mathematics we have been solving problems related to doubling, halving and sharing. We have learnt a doubling rhyme which we have now innovated to create a new halving rhyme with actions. At a Teddy Bear's Picnic, we had to ensure all the teddies had the same amount of food by sharing the food into equal groups. We also helped the characters from the Gruffalo story share out food equally in the deep dark wood.

During child-initiated activity time, we have been busy making 'Rainbow Fish' with colourful scales, constructing boats with Lego and creating waves with a parachute.

**Miss Carter and Mrs Berry**



A big welcome back to the second half of the Summer Term.

It has been lovely to see the children returning to school happy and ready for the exciting weeks ahead.

### BEECH CLASS

Beech Class have been fantastic Super Heroes this week. On Wednesday we arrived in the classroom after break to discover that someone had stolen all of the prizes from our prize box! The children immediately became super hero detectives and helped Wow Word Woman to solve the crime. They planned the Wow Words they wanted to use to describe the scene and have begun to write some brilliant reports about the event.



Next week you will receive a letter clarifying any new systems or resources you need to be aware of for this half term, for example, the new online maths game 'Prodigy'. Ask the children about our new reward systems, 'In It to Win It' and Children vs Adults, they have been very motivated to show me their best learning behaviour in the classroom.

Next week we will begin planning an animation project. The children will be reading Supertato by Sue Hendra and designing their own super hero vegetable to use in an animation. Can I request that you send in a vegetable for your child to turn into a superhero. (Preferably something that will survive a week in the classroom!)

**Mrs Williams**

### **SYCAMORE CLASS**

The children have settled in well to the summer term and have been very excited about our new topic- Light and Shadows. The topic will be Science and Geography based and will involve the children in some exciting experiments!

With the theme of Light and Shadows in mind, our English focus is based on a suspense tale from Pie Corbett –The Nightmare Man. Nothing to be scared of however, as Sally in the story overcomes her fear and all ends well! The children will be writing their own suspense tale at the end of the unit using the 'Talk for Writing' scheme. We have already shared some interesting experiences of how they overcame some of their fears and I am looking forward to reading the tales very soon!

Our maths lessons continue to progress well with the Year 3 children tackling fractions and the Year 4 children handling money problems.

In Art and Design, we will soon be drawing some still life pictures that cast shadows. In this respect I will shortly be asking the children to bring in some personal items that reflect their personality so that they can create a special drawing of their own (The items will be well looked after in school) More details to follow shortly!

**Mrs Mileham**

### **OAK CLASS**

Oak Class have been eager to learn more about William Shakespeare this week as the famous bard provides our theme for this year's class production of 'Shakespeare Rocks!' They have been busy researching who he was, what other events were going on at the time historically and have started to have a go at writing their own witches poems. Parts for the production have been assigned and the children have enjoyed reading through the script for the first time and starting to learn the songs. We already have our favourite songs and are struggling to get the tunes out of our heads! As rehearsals progress scripts will eventually be sent home for children to learn their lines and we will in due course give further details about costumes.

The time in the year has finally arrived where Oak Class go on their residential to Porthpean and everyone is really excited and looking forward to it. Please make sure that you have packed everything that was on the equipment list. Hopefully (fingers crossed!) we will be needing the sun cream more than the woolly hats but please ensure the children have suitable clothing for changeable weather and the activities they will be taking part in. The children are going to have an amazing time and will be well-looked after. We are looking forward to seeing everybody bright and early on Monday morning at Porthpean!

**Mr Heagney and Miss Teobald**

### **MRS BERRY—ASH CLASS**

Lovely news to tell—Mrs Berry is expecting a baby in November this year. We will update you as to any class changes nearer the time.

### **TESCOS BAGS OF HELP SCHEME**

We have gained second place and will receive an award of £2000! Well done Mrs Williams for organising and to everyone who participated with the project.

### **PALS DISCO**

Thanks to everyone who helped to organise the School Disco on Thursday 24th May. All the children seemed to have a good time throwing some moves on the dance floor!

### **GARDEN TEA PARTY—MAY 18TH 2018**

We had glorious weather and a lovely afternoon for our Garden Tea Party celebration. Many thanks to everyone who participated and thanks also for the generous donations of cakes and money. We raised a fantastic £53.67 which will go towards our library fund.



### **GOLD BAND KARATE READING**

#### **Gold Band**

The last date for children to achieve their gold band (250 reads) in reading will be Friday 8th June 2018.

### **SPORTS DAY – 21<sup>ST</sup> JUNE 2018**

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

### **SAFEGUARDING UPDATE**

You will have noticed that our new perimeter fencing is now in place and is due to be completed very soon. Previous Ofsted guidance on Safeguarding in schools and best practice states that: 'robust arrangements for site safety' are key.

**Mrs L-D-L**

### **DAMAGED FLOWER BED**

A polite request to ask for parent's not to allow their children to climb on the wall and run on the flowerbed which is situated behind the bus stop.

### **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%.

Current whole school attendance from 17.05.18 to 07.06.18 is 95.8%. A breakdown of attendance figures is below:

Class	Attendance Figures
Ash	92.1 %
Beech	93.8 %
Sycamore	97.7 %
Oak	98.1 %

**Well Done Oak Class with the highest attendance levels this week!**

### **FINE WEATHER**

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

### **NEW RECEPTION CHILDREN STARTING IN SEPTEMBER 2018**

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

All parents of our new children should of received a letter regarding transition dates. Please contact the school office if you have any questions.

### **Attendance**

Regular attendance at school is essential for children to reach their full potential and, following a recent meeting with the Education Welfare Service, we have contacted parents whose children's attendance has fallen below 90%. As a school, our target is to ensure our overall attendance for the year is over 96%. We have also noticed that some children are late for school on a regular basis.

### **CLUBS FOR SUMMER TERM PART 2—COMMENCING WEEK BEGINNING 11TH JUNE 2018**

All children should of received a letter regarding the clubs with all the details. Please can you complete and return to the school office if you would like your child to attend any club on offer to their year group.

#### **MONDAY:**

**FILM CLUB with Mrs Williams 3.15—4.15pm**

**CRAFTY CLUB with Mrs Berry—3.15-4pm**

#### **TUESDAY**

**TENNIS CLUB with Mrs Mileham 3.15-4.15pm**

#### **THURSDAY**

**LEARNING ZONE – HOMEWORK CLUB with**

**Miss Teobald 3.15-4.15pm**

**SUMMER MULTI SPORTS CLUB with Mr LDL 3.15-4.15pm**

**ROUNDERS CLUB with Miss Carter 3.15-4pm**

### **LOST PROPERTY**

We have a lot of lost property in the school office. Please come and have a look if your child has misplaced anything - from jumpers to water bottles!

Please remember to label any items so we can return them to their owners.

## **DIARY DATES**

### **June**

**11<sup>th</sup> June** - Swimming for Year 3/4

**11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> June** Porthpean camp for Year 5/6

**11<sup>th</sup> June**—Clubs commence for the second half of Summer Term

**14<sup>th</sup> June**— PLT Sports Festival Day—Penrice Academy Year 4/5

**15<sup>th</sup> June** - Clay Sports Athletics—Brannel School

**18<sup>th</sup> June** - Swimming for Year 3/4/5/6

**19<sup>th</sup> June** - Plymouth Argyle PE training—Oak Class

**20<sup>th</sup> June**—Transition morning for our new EYFS Reception children

**20<sup>th</sup> June**—Shakespeare Workshop for Oak Class

**21<sup>st</sup> June** – Provisional Sports Day – weather dependent

**25<sup>th</sup> June** - Swimming for Year 3/4/5/6

**26<sup>th</sup> June** - Plymouth Argyle PE training—Oak Class

**27<sup>th</sup> June**— Transition morning for our new EYFS Reception children

**28<sup>th</sup> June**—Maths Olympics—Team Challenge day

### **July**

**2<sup>nd</sup> July** – Year 6 Penrice Move Up morning

**2<sup>nd</sup> July** - Swimming for Year 3/4/5

**3<sup>rd</sup> July** - Plymouth Argyle PE training – Oak Class

**3<sup>rd</sup> July** - Whole School 'Move Up' Morning

**4<sup>th</sup> July**—Transition morning for our new EYFS Reception children

**6<sup>th</sup> July**—Whole School Beach trip—weather permitting

**9<sup>th</sup> July** - Swimming for Year 3/4/5/6

**10<sup>th</sup> July** – SATs results Day

**16<sup>th</sup> July** - Swimming for Year 3/4/5/6

**18<sup>th</sup> July** – Oak Class Performance

**20<sup>th</sup> July** – Last day of term

**20<sup>th</sup> July** End of Year/Year 6 Leavers Assembly

### **September**

**4<sup>th</sup> September** – Children return to school after the holidays

### **STAFF TRAINING DAYS – CLOSED TO PUPILS**

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2018

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2018