

Youth Speaks



Three teams of Year 6 children went to the Zennor Theatre at Penwith College on Tuesday to take part in the annual Youth Speaks competition. The team of Milly, Olive and Martha spoke on 'Are girls treated the same as boys in today's society', Ella, Ava and Summer's talk was



'Is pollution the biggest threat the world has ever faced?' and Riley D, Jesse and Jacob's topic was 'Is reading really good for you?'.



They competed against other local schools and spoke brilliantly. The team of Riley, Jesse and Jacob was victorious - a fantastic achievement. They will now go forward to the next round in a few weeks' time. Mr Hammond, Mrs Harman, Mrs O'Rourke and Mr Higgs were extremely proud of them all and said they were a credit to the school.

Sporting news

Badminton

Six of our Year 3 and 4 children went to Mounts Bay Academy on Monday to play in a Badminton tournament. Out of the eleven teams taking part, our team was first and came back with gold medals! Congratulations to Fred, George, Holly, Jacob, Maisie and Ruby R. Thanks also to Fred's dad and Ruby's mum for driving them.

Football

Our footballers played against St Uny in the League this Wednesday in an entertaining match. They performed excellently with Finley L scoring a hat-trick of goals to win the match by 3 goals to 2. This made up for the game we played on Monday against St Hilary when we got walloped 7-0! Well done to all the team who were: Liam, Rex, Arthur F, Finley L, Callum, Mason, Jacob, James and Riley D.



West Cornwall Spring Show

Look out next week for a letter about the West Cornwall Spring Show in March at Marazion. There are lots of fantastic categories to enter. Hopefully this year it won't be cancelled due to the heavy snow!



Wanted!

Several of the children have decided to make a new flowerbed along the side of the path near the back gate of the school (it wasn't my idea, they just decided that it needed doing!) They are working hard shovelling top soil and making a barrier from branches but they don't have any flowers to put in there! If you have any to donate - seeds or plants - please leave them by the fence. What are weeds in your garden might be lovely in this space so please remember us if you have a garden tidy. Thank you!

Daisy - outdoor learning co-ordinator

Change of date - Kingfishers sharing assembly

Kingfishers sharing assembly which was due to be held on 8th March has now been postponed until the summer term.



Reminder

Please could all parents and visitors ensure that they do not smoke on school premises or bring dogs onto the site. If someone other than you drops off and picks up your child

please could you make sure you pass this onto to them.



Medicine in school

If your child requires medicine in school, of whatever sort, please ensure that an adult brings it (clearly labelled with your child's name) to the office and completes a consent form so that we have authorisation to give it to your child. Children should not bring in medicine and hand it in or keep it in their bag to take it themselves.

Club cancellations

Calligraphy club will be cancelled next **Tuesday 29th January**.

Hockey club is cancelled on **Thursday 7th February**.

Drama club will not take place on **Tuesday 12th February** (the last one before half term).

All clubs will be cancelled on **Monday 11th, Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th March** due to parent consultations.

FOAS Easter Disco

This term FOAS will be holding an Easter Disco on **Thursday 4th April** and not one just before half term as they have in the past. More details to follow nearer the time.

Year 3/4 camp at Bude (9th-10th May)

A reminder that ALL payments for Year 3/4 camp at Bude (£90 total) need to be made by **8th February at the latest**. This is because Adventure International ask for their final invoice to be paid at that time.

Full payment is needed by the above date. If it is not paid in full by this date, we will cancel your child's place and refund any money you have already paid (less the deposit) with immediate effect.

You can pay as much or as little as you want anytime up to the final date. Please pay online at schoolmoney.co.uk as we no longer accept cash or cheques. Click into the amount box and change the total payment to the amount you'd like to pay. If you cannot pay online, please ask at the office for a Paypoint barcode which you can use to pay cash at a local Paypoint retailer.

Need a chat?

Come and have a cup of tea with Mrs Daylak if you have any questions or concerns about anything which might be affecting your child in school. You can find her any Monday to Thursday after school until 4pm. If you would rather make an appointment, please ask the office. She might even find you a biscuit to go with your tea!



STARS OF THE WEEK

Robins	Ruby	for independent writing
& Choughs	Harleen	for great use of phonics in written work
Puffins	Lottie	for her interest and delight in reading this week
Owls	Jessika	for a fabulous start to her time in Owls class
Kingfishers	Tristan	for fantastic improvement in his writing this year
Trencrom	Nathan	for working hard to improve his writing this week. Well done!
Lanyon	Skye	for trying really hard with uplevelling her vocabulary
Kerris	Oliver	for being so independent and ready to learn
Bodriftly	Max	for his excellent effort in Maths and getting better every day
Bosigran	Jesse	for an amazing attitude towards everything he does
Kenidjack	Brandon	for making great effort with his writing
Dinnertime	Matilda	for having lovely manners & always eating her lunch.
PE Star	Finley L	for his hat-trick against St Uny in the football match this week



Twitter

Don't forget to follow us on Twitter @alvertonschool to keep up-to-date with all the exciting things that are going on.



CLASS ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Choughs	93.0%	7
Robins	85.6%	9
Puffins	89.3%	8
Owls	77.3%	11
Kingfishers	84.7%	10
Trencrom	95.5%	4
Lanyon	96.7%	3
Kerris	93.4%	6
Bodriftly	96.9%	2
Bosigran ★	99.7%	1
Kenidjack	93.7%	5
Overall school attendance	91.3%	

Our collective target is 96.5%

DIARY DATES

February

- 1st Sharing assembly for Kenidjack at 2.45pm
- 8th Sharing assembly for Choughs and Robins at 2.45pm
- 15th School closes at normal time of 3.15pm for half term break

Monday 18th to Friday 22nd February – HALF TERM

PLEASE NOTE CLUBS CONTINUE AS NORMAL AFTER HALF TERM

March

- 1st Sharing assembly for Puffins at 2.45pm
- 5th St. Piran's dance for Year 6 – details to follow
- 7th World Book Day
- 8th Sharing assembly for Kingfishers at 2.45pm—
POSTPONED
- 11th-13th Parent Consultations – appointment times will be booked online – **no clubs this week on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.**
- 22nd Sharing assembly for Lanyon at 2.45pm
- 27th Last swimming for Year 5
- 29th Sharing assembly for Owls at 2.45pm
- 29th **All clubs finish**

