

## Healthy Schools Plus Award

We are delighted to announce that we have successfully achieved Healthy Schools Plus status. Our Healthy Schools project celebrates our achievements with outdoor learning and our ongoing work developing the environment and has been widely praised by the Healthy Schools team.

Many thanks to all the staff who have been so supportive and enthusiastic about our work and also to Mr Dawe and Mrs Hall who have led our developments in this area. Thanks too to the Friends of Alverton School who have allocated £8000 of their funds to this project and to all the parents who support us at our Big Digs and help us work towards achieving our overall aims.



**Healthy Schools Plus**  
SOUTH WEST

## Reports to Parents

This term, we have changed our report format to reflect the changes in the national curriculum and in our assessment systems.

An explanatory letter and Parent Guide to Assessment will be going home with the reports at the end of term. However, if you would like to find out more about this, Mr Higgs and Mrs Wicks will be holding a meeting on 9th December at 2.45pm to explain the changes we have made and to talk about how we will now be reporting your child's progress to you.

Everyone is very welcome and we look forward to seeing you there.



## WINNERS!



On 5th November, Alverton school team took part in the West Cornwall EFSA 7 aside tournament. In the group stage we played four matches, won three and drew one. This brought us to the final. Of course we were nervous because we played St Uny on Tuesday and lost 1-0. However we kept our heads up and at full time it was 1-1. This took us into golden goal. With minutes left we got a free kick on the edge of the box. Ezra stepped up to take it and scored straight through the middle and the Cup was ours. We are now through to the County Finals in Wadebridge. Our players were: Jude, Ezra, Leo, Enzo, Zac, Logan, Jake, Alfie, Anto and Gonzalo.

### Open Morning at Ducklings

If you have a child who will turn three before 31st December 2015 or know anyone who does, your child will be eligible for 15 hours free funding from January 2016. Please come along to our Open Morning in Ducklings pre-school. It's on **Friday 20th November** anytime from 9.30 - 11.30am. You will be able to meet Miss Caddick and Mrs Roberts, have a look at our wonderful outdoor learning space and meet other parents and children. If you are interested in visiting, please let the school office know.

### Walking Bus

Many parents said that they would be interested in their child using the Walking Bus service if it was started up again. Unfortunately we cannot do this without your support. If you can spare any time regularly during the week to help, please let the office know as soon as possible.

### Big Dig 3 - this Saturday!

The Big Dig is back! Don't forget that we will be out on the school field this **Saturday 7th November from 9am - 4pm.** We will be creating a woodland space for our eldest pupils. Sorry but for health and safety reasons, no children will be allowed to accompany the adults. Please come along and support us - tea, cake & pasties provided!



### CANCELLATION OF CLUBS

High Fives is cancelled on **Monday 9th November** due to a clash with Cross Country. KS2 Gardening is cancelled on **Tuesday 10th November** due to staff being needed at a Dodgeball tournament. All other clubs should be on as normal. All clubs finish on Friday 27th November.

### Year 3/4 Camp - May 2016

Thank you to everyone who has already paid for Year 3/4 camp next year. If your child would like to go, please complete and return the slip on the letter with the deposit of £20. We need 75 children to go so that the cost does not increase. As soon as we have reached 75 children, we can issue payment cards to everyone.



### Children in Need - Friday 13th November

We will be fundraising in aid of Children in Need next Friday. It will be a non uniform day with the children wearing their pyjamas or onesies. Sensible clothing and footwear please. A donation of £1 per child would be gratefully received. The office will also be selling coloured wristbands all week at £1 per band.



## Norovirus

The Local Authority has written to us recently regarding outbreaks of the Norovirus. The symptoms are vomiting and diarrhoea. They have advised all schools that to prevent the spread of this illness, **your child must be kept away from school for 48 hours since the last incident of either sickness or diarrhoea.** Please ensure that you keep to these guidelines.

## Robin Hood pantomime

Thank you to everyone who has already paid for Robin Hood on 20th November. If you haven't yet paid, the cost is £2.50 per child and needs to be in as soon as possible. School already subsidises the overall cost so your contribution is needed. Thank you.



## Lost

Louis-Matisse in Lanyon has been wearing someone else's shoes since before half term. His missing shoes are size 1F and the ones he has been wearing are size 2G. His shoes have his name written inside in green biro but the wrong ones have a silvery label in them. Please see the photo below. Please check at home and bring them in if found.



## KS1 Nativity - change of date

Please note that the KS1 Nativity date has changed. It will now be held on **Thursday 10th December** at 2pm and 6pm.

## Board Games

We are always looking for more activities for the children during wet break and lunchtimes and board games are very popular.

If you have any suitable games that your children have grown out of or that are looking for a new home, please could you send them in as we will definitely be able to put them to good use!

Thank you.



## Healthy Eating

Chartwells, our school meals provider, will be leading an assembly on 9th November at 2.45pm to promote healthy eating.

Parents are very welcome to attend.



## Twitter

Our school Twitter feed is proving very popular! We will be using this more and more to share all the exciting learning that goes on everyday at Alverton. If you haven't already done so, it doesn't take long to organise a Twitter account when you will be able to follow us @alvertonschool. You can also follow our teachers, for example @AlvertonBC (Mr Chalwin) or @AlvertonCW (Mrs Wicks).






## STARS OF THE WEEK

Robins	Logan U	for super writing
Choughs	The Whole Class	for being superstars all week long
Puffins	Agnes	for her spectacular effort in writing this week
Owls	Logan R	for his superb effort & concentration in every lesson
Kingfishers	Kyle	for his excellent effort in his attitude towards his learning
Trencrom	Jessika N	for her improvement & effort shown in swimming
Lanyon	Jack	for his effort in Maths this week
Kerris	Roisin	for a fantastic start in Kerris class & for producing such wonderful work
Bodriftly	Caitlin	for always working so hard, particularly this week for fractions in Maths
Bosigran	Chloe	for a great attitude to all of her learning
Kenidjack	Bethany	for amazing times tables knowledge
Dinnertime	Alex T	for his help at lunchtimes
PE Star Class	Puffins	for excellent bean bag throwing skills for both accuracy & distance



## CLASS ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Choughs	90.9%	9
Robins	96.5%	3
Puffins 	97.7%	1
Owls	85.8%	11
Kingfishers	92.2%	8
Trencrom	95.3%	5
Lanyon	96.7%	2
Kerris	93.3%	6
Bodriftly	87.8%	10
Bosigran	95.6%	4
Kenidjack	93.2%	7
Overall school attendance	93.2%	

**Our collective target is 97.5%**

## Hope Kids Club (at the Hope Church)

Fridays during term time 5.30-7pm for years 1-6. £1 per child includes healthy snacks, drinks & tuck shop, games, crafts, etc. Contact Pastor Jason on 07788 588983.

## DIARY DATES

### November

- 10<sup>th</sup> Music Concert at 6.00pm for school musicians & parents
- 13<sup>th</sup> Children in Need fundraising day - non uniform £1
- 13<sup>th</sup> Sharing assembly – Kenidjack at 2.45pm
- 20<sup>th</sup> M & M Theatre Production of Robin Hood
- 25<sup>th</sup> Last swimming for Kerris, Lanyon and Trencrom
- 27<sup>th</sup> Non uniform day in aid of the FOAS Christmas Fair – details to follow
- 27<sup>th</sup> ALL CLUBS FINISH TODAY

### December

- 1<sup>st</sup> Advent Service at 9.30am – followed by mince pies and coffee for parents
- 4<sup>th</sup> FOAS Christmas Fair – details to follow
- 4<sup>th</sup> Guitar and keyboard lessons finish



If you've been wondering about why your child has been talking about the Jedi Maths Master Challenge it is an initiative to get the children to learn their times tables. When they think they know them, they come to see Mr Higgs and have a Jedi battle with him. This is a quick recall of tables without mistakes and if successful, can earn them a badge up to Gold standard which is fiendishly difficult! If you can help your child learn their times tables, please do.



## CAN YOU BECOME A JEDI MATHS MASTER?



**Yellow Jedi**  
2x, 5x & 10x



**Green Jedi**  
2x, 3x, 4x, 5x, 10x



**Blue Jedi**  
0-12x



**Bronze Jedi**  
Timed  
Challenge



**Silver Jedi**  
Timed  
Challenge



**Jedi Master**  
Gold Timed  
Challenge

DO YOU HAVE THE TIMES TABLES FORCE?