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**This week's virtue is
"Kindness".**

Foundation stage -

This week the Reception children have been focusing on doubling they have made pictures of butterflies, folding the paper in half to make double the amount of spots.
 In literacy, the children have been completing the independent writing they wrote about where Sam had landed for example on a different planet or wherever their imaginations took them.
 The Nursery children have been looking at subtraction up to 5, reading the story when Masie goes camping.
 In Forest schools, we made potions, and Hapa Zome (flower bashing or printing) we made prints on pieces of cloth.

Key Stage 1

Year 1 - The children have had a brilliant week this week finishing off their topic about Toys in the Past and finishing their learning about healthy eating by making a picnic. Thank you to all of the parents who came in to help. This afternoon the children are enjoying using their bikes and scooters with their friends. The first week after half term the children will be completing their phonics screening check, to help support them with this it is really important that they continue to practise their phonics at home over the holiday. We hope you have a lovely half term.

Year 2- This week in History, we finished off our topic by comparing old and new toys. We had a bit of Science to catch up on so have had two lessons this week! Firstly, we talked and wrote about the life cycle of our caterpillars. Some are now in cocoons – we just hope they don't turn into butterflies over the half term! We have also looked at the life cycle of an amphibian and a bird. In DT, the children enjoyed making and eating the picnic they planned last week. In PE, we progressed from bowling skills to batting skills using tennis rackets, cricket and rounder bats. In literacy, we completed our class letter based on the story 'The Day the Crayon's Quit' and in maths we have focused on measuring using metres and centimetres. Please encourage the children to measure a variety of different items at home to help them with their homework and consolidate the work we have completed in school. Continue to read with and to your child over the half term. It has a big impact on their learning. Thank you.

Key Stage 2

Year 3/4 - As the half term draws to an end, we have reflected a little on how far we have come this year. Our topics so far have been: Megacities, Stone to Steel (Stone Age to Iron Age), Coasts, Romans and the Local Environment. In our final term, we will be looking at Cornish History, especially the fishing industry. We are fortunate to already have a member of the Hall of Cornwall coming to teach us sea shanties as part of our music curriculum.

Reminder – Year 3/4 camp deposit is to be paid by **WEDNESDAY 1ST JUNE**

Year 5/6 - This week we have been continuing with Circulation with Herons making models of blood and identifying its different parts and jobs. Kestrels finished their RE unit this week on God and wrote balanced arguments on 'Is God real?' looking at both Theist and Atheist perspectives. Year 6 who are going to HCC next year were visited by the school this week meeting some of the teachers, staff and Year 7 pupils to give them the chance to ask questions about next year. They are all excited to visit next month for their Transition days on the 28th and 29th June.



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Next week is half term - we will return on Monday 6th June 2022

We will be on **WEEK 2** of the school dinner menu after half term



Queen's Jubilee Celebrations - Monday 6th June 2022

Jubilee Dress-Up - To celebrate the Queen's Jubilee, children are invited to attend school dressed as anything Jubilee related - this could be a queen, king, knight etc. or as simple as wearing red, white and blue!

Pasty Lunch & Cream Tea - The canteen are offering a pasty/cream tea lunch which pre-orders have now closed for - please note that if you have not pre-ordered for your Nursery or KS2 child then they will need a packed lunch from home as we will not be able to provide a school lunch. Reception and KS1 children have ordered in their classes as normal.

Jubilee Parade - At 3pm there will be a Jubilee parade outside of school to show off everyone's costumes and announce the crown competition winners.

Refreshments/Bake Sale - The PTA will be holding a bake sale and selling refreshments.

A £1 donation would be greatly appreciated and will be used to fund additional outside seating for both the EYFS/KS1 and KS2 play areas.

Current Year 2/3 children - Year 3/4 BF Adventure Camp - Monday 19th September to Wednesday 21st September 2022 - Deposits are now being taken and can be paid for via ParentPay.

Surf Days - Turtles, Narwhals, Swordfish, Herons & Kestrels Classes - On each class's designated surf day children will need to be dropped to Praa Sands beach for 9am and collected at 3pm. You can confirm your child's place by giving consent and making payment via ParentPay. Kestrels class will be going first on Friday 17th June 2022.

DATE CHANGE FOR SWORDFISH AND HERONS - NEW DATES BELOW:

Herons - Friday 24th June 2022
Swordfish - Friday 1st July 2022

Year 6 Leavers Hoodies - Don't forget to complete the google form if you would like to order your Year 6 child a leaver's hoodie. We need orders/payment by no later than **Monday 6th June** please. Payment can be made via ParentPay. <https://forms.gle/MWEn4PBzLMtuhvmF9>

Swimming Payments Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 - Please remember that payment can be made for swimming lessons via ParentPay to the payment item named swimming.

Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancy - 5 Hours Per Week - Please contact the school office for an application pack.



School Uniform - School uniform is an important part of school life and promotes equality amongst our pupils. Across the school we are seeing numerous children attending in non-uniform. Please can we remind everyone of our uniform policy, a copy of which has been sent along with this newsletter. This also applies to PE days where children should wear a t-shirt the colour of their house team, shorts/leggings/jogging bottoms and a school jumper with sensible shoes. We are in the process of changing school uniform suppliers to Whirlwind Sports, more information will be sent out in due course, but we are hoping to be with them from 1st July 2022.



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Each week we will recommend a book for different age ranges - if you have a recommendation please let Mrs Figgins know!

Book of the Week

**This week
5+ readers**

Tell me more...

Meet kids just like you whose acts of social enterprise are raising awareness around our responsibility to people and the planet. Learn about the work they do and discover how the future of our world starts here... with you.



Book Information	
ISBN:	9781913520434
Publication date:	12th May 2022
Author:	Rebecca Hul
Illustrator:	Anneli Bray
Publisher:	Magic Cat Publishing
Format:	Hardback
Pagination:	32 pages
Suitable for:	5+ readers, 7+ readers

Attendance Award

Below are the attendance figures for this week. The expected percentage attendance for a child is 96%. Can we get each class to this or above?

Class	Attendance	Late Marks
Rainbowfish	97.3%	4
Seahorses	84.0%	7
Turtles	85.2%	3
Narwhals	96.0%	1
Swordfish	86.2%	1
Kestrels	96.0%	7
Hérons	91.8%	2
WHOLE SCHOOL	90.9%	25

Important Dates

Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June 2022	May Half Term
Monday 6th June 2022	Queen's Jubilee Celebrations
Wednesday 8th June 2022	Year 6 Swimming
Tuesday 14th June 2022	Cross Country Fun Run - KS2 Mullion Comp - 4pm
Friday 17th June 2022	Kestrels Surf Day
Friday 24th June 2022	Hérons Surf Day -DATE CHANGE
Tuesday 28th & Wednesday 29th June 2022	Year 6 HCC Transition Sessions
Friday 1st July 2022	Swordfish Surf Day -DATE CHANGE
Monday 25th & Tuesday 26th July 2022	INSET Days - School closed to all children
Wednesday 27th July 2022 to Friday 2nd September 2022	Summer Holidays