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## This week's virtue is "Forgiveness".

### **Foundation stage -**

This week the children have been busy listening to the story "The Viking who was seasick."

We had a special visit from members of Helston town band they played the flora day tune many thanks to Mrs. Blight for organising this special treat.

Today we also had a visit from Mike Lacey the photographer he talked to the children about his job and allowed them to use one of his special cameras to take a photo of their friend riding on a surfboard.

We have enjoyed the lovely weather and been outside building and making the most of the mud kitchen.

In Forest Schools, we made ivy crowns and added wildflowers, daisies, dandelions, pink campions, and bluebells.

Please could we remind all children to need to bring in their library books so they can be changed on a regular

basis. Sharing these lovely stories is really important in developing a love of books and reading.

### **Key Stage 1**

#### **Year 1 -**

This week the children have loved learning more about toys from the past. They looked at toys that are played with from birth to 7 years old and how they have changed. In maths the children have been comparing numbers to 50 using different representations. Please support them to carry on practising their counting to 50 and writing the numbers. They really enjoyed putting their cutting skills to good use when making smoothies in DT. The children know how to safely use the claw grip and the bridge grip. We are carrying on writing the story of the Queen's hat in literacy and the children are trying really hard to spell their tricky words correctly. Remember we are on our school trip on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May so please make sure you have logged onto parent pay to sort out the details for your child.

#### **Year 2-**

In topic this week we have looked at a time line of toys the children could have played with from age 0 to age 6. Next week we are going to look at toys parents or grandparents may have played with. If you have an old toy your child could share with the class please bring it next week. Alternatively, you may be able to tell you child about toys that were popular when you were younger. Continuing the work on healthy eating the children made and enjoyed drinking a fruit smoothie in DT. In Science, we are looking at animals and their young. The children have begun to write their own story based on George and the Dragon and in maths we have now moved onto learning about 3D shapes. Please note, for safety reasons it is important that all ks1 children be dropped off at the correct school entrance for their class in the morning. If a child is late, please take them through reception where their lunch order can be recorded. Thank you.

### **Key Stage 2**

#### **Year 3/4 -**

The children had another action-packed week! There have been workshops In cricket, as well as starting our new PE lessons based around athletics. We have now completed our fractions and are moving into time. If your child owns a watch, it would be great if they could wear it to school so that we can start putting into practice what we are learning. Our geography topic is Local Environment and next week, Narwhals will be taking a trip in and around the local area on Monday 9th May, looking at the features of roads and spaces. If you would like to join us, then contact Mrs Figgins. Swordfish will be arranged for the following week.

We are currently looking at the history of the school as part of our local area and would love it if there is anyone who would like to come and talk to the children about attending school here themselves. Please contact Mrs. Figgins on [LFiggins@porthleven.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:LFiggins@porthleven.cornwall.sch.uk) or through the main office if you can help in any way.

#### **Year 5/6 -**

This week the children took part in a cricket workshop ran by Cornwall Cricket. Details of Cornwall Cricket clubs starting in May are overleaf. Children have started working on a biography of Margaret Thatcher. In geography, Herons class have been looking at the effects of climate change on Greenland and the differing views on if this is a good or bad thing. In science, Kestrels have been learning about the circulatory system.

Year 6 have SATs next week and we have continued to prepare for them. A reminder that Year 6 children are invited in for SATs breakfast at 8:30am each morning next week. They should come to the junior hall entrance by the school reception. If they are not coming for breakfast the children need to be here by no later than 8:55am each morning.



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**New Covid Guidelines - Children who have a positive COVID test should isolate for 3 days. Please report any positive results to the school office on the first day of school absence. After their period of isolation they should return to school providing they feel well enough and have no temperature. It is extremely important that all absences and appointments are reported to the school office - failure to do so will result in an unauthorised absence mark.**

We will be on **WEEK 1** of the school dinner menu next week

**Year 6 SATS week - Week beginning Monday 9th May - SATs Breakfast** - Year 6 children are invited to come into school at 8:30am every morning of SATs week for breakfast and a chance to settle with their peers before the tests begin. On Friday, as a treat, they will have a bacon bap. Children must be in school by **8:55am at the very latest** if they are not coming in for SATs breakfast. Across is a timetable for your information.

Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	English reading
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Mathematics papers 1 and 2
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Mathematics paper 3

**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.

**Year 1 & 2 Toy Workshop - Museum of Cornish Life - Monday 16th May 2022** - As part of their new topic, Seahorse and Turtles classes will be going to The Museum of Cornish Life for a toy workshop. They will travel there via coach and the cost of the trip is £9.20 per child. We require payment no later than Monday 9th May 2022 and payments can be paid for via ParentPay.

**Year 6 Leavers Hoodies** - Thank you for all of your responses and payments so far. We are currently getting together an order for leavers hoodies for our year 6 children. Our PTA have kindly offered to donate £5 per child towards the cost of their hoodie, bringing the cost down to £9.75 for child sizes and £12.70 for adult sizes. These can be ordered for Year 6 children via the link below. We require orders/payment by no later than Monday 6th June. <https://forms.gle/MWEn4PBzLMtuhvmF9>

**Chromebooks - Year 6 to Year 1** - We have started to distribute chromebooks to pupils to support them in their work at school. If you have not yet completed the below forms please could we ask that you do so at your earliest convenience - children will not be able to use chromebooks without this consent. Any problems please contact the school office.

ICT acceptable use: <https://forms.gle/dCMHWyRKM53fj9xL8>

Use of Google apps consent: <https://forms.gle/9AR76GunEb5neP5u6>

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



**Cornwall Cricket Summer Programmes** - Today the children have enjoyed a cricket workshop delivered by Cornwall Cricket who will also be running summer programmes starting in May at different local locations. Please follow the links below for more information.

**All Stars** sign up link: <https://www.allstarscricket.co.uk>  
**Dynamo's** sign up link: <https://www.dynamicscricket.co.uk>

**PE Kit** - We are seeing a lot of children coming to school in non-uniform on PE days. On children's designated PE day please ensure they come to school in the **correct PE kit**. PE kit is a t-shirt which is the colour of their house team, shorts/leggings/jogging bottoms and a Porthleven school jumper.





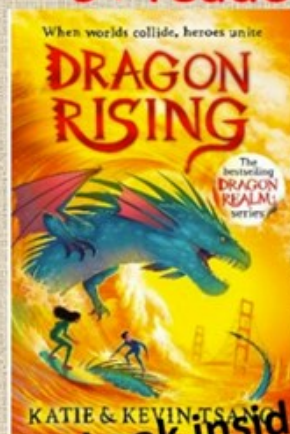
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**Each week we will recommend a book for different age ranges - if you have a recommendation please let Mrs Figgins know!**

# Book of the Week

**This week  
9+ readers**



**Look inside...**



The Sea

The sea is full of mysteries. You never know what you might find hidden in its depths. Lying between the earth and sky, the sea is always moving, with secrets dwelling deep below. Waves crash on the shore, tides go in and out, but even when the sea looks still, the currents race and dance beneath the surface. The sea is an in-between place. And like anywhere in-between, it holds more than meets the eye.

Deep below the surface, down where it is cold and dark, there is a sudden explosion of light and energy. A creature emerges, roaring with confusion and alarm. It does not know where it is.

## Book Information

ISBN: 9781398505902  
Publication date: 17th March 2022  
Author: Katie Tsang & Kevin Tsang  
Publisher: Simon & Schuster Ltd  
Format: Paperback  
Pagination: 304 pages  
Suitable for: 9+ readers  
Genres: Adventure Stories, Fantasy / Magical, Mystery / Mythology

## Tell me more...

Billy, Dylan, Charlotte and Ling-Fei are back in their hometowns, missing each other and their dragons. While out surfing one morning, Billy panics when a water dragon emerges out of the waves, and soon strange sightings are being spotted all over the world. Meeting back in Dragon Realm, the friends, their dragons and two new acquaintances join forces to investigate. But what unravels is a dastardly plan concocted by an evil baddie and a human and dragon battle that will go down in history. It's up to Billy and friends to save the world, but can they do it?

The Dragon Realm series creates the perfect adventure for any child who has ever wanted to own their own dragon. Combining edge-of-your-seat action with accessible and compelling storylines, Billy's adventures have won fans of all ages and reading abilities. The fourth instalment only helps to cement Katie and Kevin's talent in writing stories that are squarely aimed at a child reader and instill in young 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	95.8%	4
Seahorses	92.5%	6
Turtles	90.6%	1
Narwhals	88.5%	0
Swordfish	94.6%	1
Kestrels	96.3%	1
Hérons	92.1%	3
WHOLE SCHOOL	93.1%	16

## Important Dates

<b>Monday 9th May to Thursday 12th 2022</b>	Year 6 SATs Week
<b>Wednesday 11th May 2022</b>	Year 5 Swimming
<b>Monday 16th May 2022</b>	Year 1 and 2 Toy Workshop
<b>Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June 2022</b>	May Half Term
<b>Wednesday 8th June 2022</b>	Year 6 First Swimming
<b>Tuesday 14th June 2022</b>	Cross Country Fun Run - KS2 Mullion Comp - 4pm
<b>Tuesday 28th &amp; Wednesday 29th June 2022</b>	Year 6 HCC Transition Sessions
<b>Monday 25th &amp; Tuesday 26th July 2022</b>	INSET Days - School closed to all children
<b>Wednesday 27th July 2022 to Friday 2nd September 2022</b>	Summer Holidays