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## erseverance Perseverance



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difficult or hard. It means you keep trying wh things become challenging. Even when the challenge takes a long time, you don't give up.

You might need perseverance when learning to ride a bike or when your schoolwork is difficult. Perseverance is taking your time with things and doing them one step at a time. You can set yourself small goals that get you closer to where you want to be and stick with them until you get them done. Perseverance is bouncing back and



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

## Foundation stage -

This week the Reception children have been looking at subtraction and made their own biscuits with numicon tiles.

They also made rhubarb crumble and tasted other fruit and vegetables.

The children enjoyed learning a song about the water cycle. The Nursery has looked at addition to 5 using toys and skittles.

In Forest schools, we have made natural art pictures looked for mini beast, s and made mud

Please could we remind you that all clothes need to be labeled we seem to have a growing amount of lost property?

### **Key Stage 1**

**Year 1 -** We had a super trip on Monday at Helston Museum. The children loved seeing, touching and playing with the old toys. They enjoyed making a peg doll and decorating a paper spinning top. They used their skills as a historian to order 5 teddy bears from oldest to youngest. We were very proud of them. We are also proud because the children tried really hard in their independent writing this week. We are hoping the children will have collected all of their virtues minutes by Thursday next week so they can enjoy their treat on Friday afternoon which is a bike and scooter afternoon. Children must have a helmet otherwise they will not be allowed to ride their bike or scooter. As part of the DT project for this half term, the children will be making a picnic on the afternoon of Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May. We would like to invite parents in to help groups of children to make the food for the picnic. Please let any member of the Year 1 team know if you are able to help.

**Year 2-** We had a wonderful day at Helston museum. The children were given the opportunity to look at and play with some old toys, make their own peg doll & spinner and help build a teddy timeline. In the afternoon, we visited Helston museum where the children were allowed to borrow a book on a class ticket. I was very impressed with the new facilities and would recommend a visit with your child. The children have worked incredibly hard with their SATs this week. On top of this, they have designed a healthy picnic in DT, built a timeline of toys throughout the decades in History, practiced bowling skills in PE and started writing a diary about the caterpillars we now have in the classroom. They were given a well-earned afternoon off on Friday.

#### **Key Stage 2**

**Year 3/4 -** This week, we continued to look at time. There is now a game in their Google Classroom which will help them rather than math's homework this week. We will build on this week's knowledge as we start looking at 5 minutes and minutes next week.

In Art, we continued to look at the Renaissance period and 'Realism. Again, the children have requested that they have a clip placed in their Classroom so that they can show you what have been doing themselves.

We have an information talk, linked to camp in September. We look forward to answering your questions. The children had an amazing time last year and we aim to have as much fun this time!

**Year 5/6** - This week we have been learning about the circulatory system and the function of the heart and lungs. The children really impressed Mr Ratcliffe with their knowledge of oxygenated blood during science this week. We are finishing off our balanced reports of Margaret Thatcher in English. Year 5's have their final swimming lesson this Wednesday with Year 6's starting after the half term.

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## We will be on **WEEK 3** of the school dinner menu next week

Current Year 2/3 children - Year 3/4 BF Adventure Camp - Monday 19th September to Wednesday 21st September 2022 - We are currently organising BF Adventure camp for the start of the next academic year. There will be a camp information meeting on Monday 23rd May 2022 at **3:30pm in Narwhals class** - please come along if you can. Deposits are now being taken via ParentPay.

**Library Books -** The library will be reopening for the children after half term, having replaced the old system. To help us ensure that all books are now scanned into the library for use, could you please return any old books before the holiday.



Queen's Jubilee Celebrations - Monday 6th June 2022 - Children are invited to wear red, white and blue on this day to celebrate The Queen's Jubilee. The canteen are offering a pasty lunch which pre-orders closed today 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 on Monday 6th June as we will not be able to provide a school lunch. Reception and KS1 children have ordered in their classes as normal.

Surf Days - Turtles, Narwhals, Swordfish, Herons & Kestrels Classes - We are delighted to say that our surf days can go ahead as planned, thank you for your responses regarding transport. Letters came home via email on Tuesday, please let us know if you haven't received this. 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.

**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. <a href="https://forms.gle/MWEn4PBzLMtuhvmF9">https://forms.gle/MWEn4PBzLMtuhvmF9</a>

**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. Letters for Year 6 swimming lessons came home via email on Tuesday.

**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 ORTS. PERFORMANCE. LIFESTYLE 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.

**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



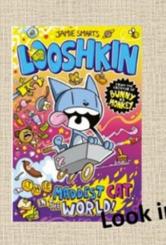
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## Each week we will recommend a book for different age ranges - if you have a recommendation please let Mrs Figgins know!

# Book of the Week

This week 7+ readers





#### Tell me more...

Looshkin might look like a cute blue cat, but you've never met a cat like Looshkin before. If you look away for just a moment, your house will be full of foamy bubbles, there are pigs on your roof, and a portal to a hell-dimension has opened in your loft. And there are bees, everywhere! Life is never going to be boring while Looshkin is around, but one thing is for sure - it will be very, very funny!

Book Information		
ISBN:	9781788452557	
Publication date:	7th April 2022	
Author:	Jamie Smart	
Illustrator:	Jamie Smart	
Publisher:	David Fickling Books	
Format:	Paperback	
Pagination:	208 pages	
Suitable for:	7+ readers, 9+ readers	
Genres:	Funny, Graphic Novels	
	& Comics, Animals	

## **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	96.0%	2
Seahorses	92.7%	6
Turtles	87.4%	0
Narwhals	100%	0
Swordfish	96.7%	1
Kestrels	95.0%	3
Herons	96.2%	1
WHOLE SCHOOL	94.9%	13

# **Important Dates**

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Monday 23rd May 2022	BF Adventure Camp Meeting - Narwhals Class @3:30pm Current Year 2 and 3 Children
Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June 2022	May Half Term
Monday 6th June 2022	Wear Red, White &/Or Blue Day 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
Tuesday 28th & Wednesday 29th June 2022	Year 6 HCC Transition Sessions
Monday 25th & Tuesday 26th July 2022	INSET Days - School closed to all children
Wednesday 27th July 2022 to Friday 2nd September 2022	Summer Holidays