

Lew Trenchard C of E Primary School



Weekly Newsletter -31st January 2020

Together We Grow in Wisdom and Serve with Joy

Dear parents/carers,

We have finally reached the end of January! What a busy month it has been! We had a visit by our CEO, Will Hermon on Thursday this week, and he was impressed by how engaged all of the pupils were in their learning across the whole school. We continue to be extremely proud of our school community and thank you all for your continued support. Miss Davy

<u>School Improvement:</u>

Mr Elliott has been monitoring maths across the school, looking at pupils' books. He will be visiting lessons and speaking to pupils about maths over the next couple of weeks.

Mrs Sutherland has been monitoring science across the school and has some exciting plans for developing the subject further. In her role as MAT science subject lead, she will be attending training in order to develop her role and support all of the schools in our Trust.

We had our second Development Day for RWI this week and our RWI advisor was extremely impressed by the staff and pupils and commented on what a great school we have. She could see the progress made since her last visit too, which is brilliant. Mrs Abbott-Bray is doing a fantastic job in assessing the pupils and supporting the team as necessary. Our last training day for RWI is on Monday 3rd February.

Enrichment News:

Mrs Oakes has attended Royal Shakespeare Company training at Launceston College this week as we will be linking with the college to perform "Much Ado About Nothing" this summer. If your child is in Year 2 or above and is interested in taking part, please let us know via Dojo before Friday 13th February.

Initially, we will run this as an after-school club (day to be confirmed) where we will immerse ourselves in the play and create "mood boards" until we find out which Acts we will be performing. Mrs Oakes and Miss Davy will be running this.

Mr Payton has been busy planning trips for Brentor, the first will be after half term linked to their farming learning and their main summer trip will be to the Eden Project based on an Explorers theme.

Mrs Abbott-Bray is planning their class trip for Summer Term.

Mrs Sutherland will be training to take on the role of Educational Visits Coordinator and her training is booked in April.

There will be many other enrichment events throughout the school year.

Toddler Group – Toddlers will not run this Monday as we have staff training. It will return on the week of the 10th February with **Valentine's Day Sensory Play!!** For more information please see the website/Facebook page or ask Justine for the activities list for the rest of the term. This is a lovely group of parents and toddlers/babies, which meet on Mondays mornings (9am-11am) and Thursday morning (9am-11am) during term time with the fantastic Justine, with a love of messy play, it is usually a good idea to bring along a change of clothes! Each session is £2.00 and takes place in Yes Tor. Please bring your own snack. We hope to see you then!

<u>Uniform Sale</u>: Last few bits available at drastically reduced prices! Please check school money for availability.

Wrap around care. This is now available to book via schoolmoney. All bookings for breakfast club and wrap around care need to be made in advance as much as possible as this helps us plan staff ratios needed. It also helps us order the correct amount of food to minimise waste and make sure everyone is well fed.

Please note that children need to be collected from Yes Tor (the pre-school classroom) – you will need to access via the wooden side gate, please ring the doorbell on the gate when you arrive. It is quite dark at the moment along the alley way, please be careful.

Attendance for last week

Yes Tor100%Great Links Tor95%Fox Tor98%Brentor93%Oke Tor96%Whole School96%

National expectations are 96% Please call the school office if your child is ill or late. We cannot rely on receiving Dojo messages, as the internet isn't great. Thank you.

Tavy13

You may have seen on Dojo before Christmas that the Tavy13 is fast approaching. This is a great opportunity for the children to take part in an organised running event. They will run 1 to 1.5 miles each week in the run up to the main event in Tavistock on Sunday 29th March. If your child is interested in taking part, please collect an entry form from the school office. Running club on Fridays after school will work to complete these miles.

<u>School Money Payments</u> – A reminder that all payments for School Dinners should be made *in advance*. If you have any issues with payment or access to the website, please see the office and they will help where they can. All dinner bookings should now be made and paid for in advance.

Please could we ask that any outstanding monies be paid as soon as possible. There should be no monies outstanding now please. We have signed up to take part in The Sun Book for Schools Scheme. For more information on how you can help our school get some free books, please see the link below. Thank you!

https://thesunfreebooksforschools. co.uk/

<u>Car parking</u> – Please can we be considerate of our neighbours when parking for pick up and drop off.



Celebration Awards			
	Child of the week	Values in action	
Great Links	Merryn – fabulous attitude towards learning.	Millie – demonstrating core values toward staff and peers.	
Fox Tor		Guy	
Brentor	Olivia M – responsible attitude and responding to feedback.	Ruby W – kind, caring and considerate in class.	
Oke Tor	Alice – hard work and independence. Pete – independence with maths.	Katie – good manners and striving to follow instructions	
Yes Tor Star of the week - Ben .			

<u>Free School Meals</u> – A quick reminder that Free School Meals not only entitle your child to Free School Meals, but can also provide the school with extra funding for your child to go towards other areas of learning. If you think that you may be entitled to Free School Meals, even if your child brings a packed lunch every day, you can follow either of the links below: https://www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-

<u>information/school-meals</u> <u>https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal_LIVE/Account/</u> Login?ReturnUrl=%2fCCSCitizenPortal_live <u>An Daras Vacancies</u> –

Please follow the link for information on vacancies within the An Daras MAT <u>http://www.andaras.org/</u> web/vacancies

Dates for your diary

W/C 3rd February – Bikeability for Year 6 W/C 10th February – Bikeability for Year 5 W/C 17th February – Half Term 26th February – Andaras football competition at St Catherine's May – Year 2 SATs W/C 11th May – Year 6 SATs week <u>School Dinners</u> – Please can all Dinners be paid in advance of at least a week via School Money * <u>Sickness and</u> <u>diarrhoea</u> - If your child experiences an upset stomach, they should be kept off school for a <u>minimum of 48hrs</u>, in order to minimise the spread the illnesses * <u>Morning drop-off</u> - Children should be at school in time for the bell at 9am. If your child is ill, or will be in late, please could you make sure that you contact school (**01566 783 273**) so we can inform class teachers. If your child is not in school by 9.30am, and we have not received a message, they could be registered as late, and this will affect their attendance * <u>Wet Weather Coats</u> - please ask that all children come to school with appropriate outdoor clothing – water proof coats for all children please, and wellies for Yes Tor. * <u>Comments for Governors</u> - If you have any comments or suggestions for the school Governors these can be placed in the red box outside of the office



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