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Responsibility Responsibility



You are responsible when you take care in completing tasks or jobs that you have said you will do. Being reliable shows that you care about the commitments and promises that you make; that you plan ahead and do the best that you can. Being reliable means others can count on you. It is being committed to the things you have agreed to do. You take responsibility for your commitments, and the outcomes of your actions and decisions.



Virtues -

This week's virtue is "Responsibility".

Foundation stage - This week we have been talking about bonfire night and thinking of words to describe the sounds of the fireworks for example, bang, pop and wizz.

On Wednesday all the children walked down the Church to look at the building, we talked about what special celebrations are held in Churches, Christmas services, weddings, and christenings. The children were all very well behaved a real credit to you all. In maths this week the Reception children have been learning to partition numbers to 3, 2+1, 3+0 please practise this at home using toys or cubes. The Nursery children have enjoyed using musical instruments to follow patterns and play them loudly and quietly.

We have focused on the number 1, completing actions 1 jump, 1 stamp, the children have also been hunting for the number 1 around the classroom.

Key Stage 1

Year 1 - Year 1 were an absolute pleasure to take to St Michael's Mount at the start of the week. They loved exploring and seeing the different artefacts. They loved finding the giant's heart and the giant's well along the way. Their challenges this week have all been linked to the trip including building a model of the mount and writing about their trip. In Forest School today they have been identifying different parts of a flower. The next Forest School session is on Friday 26th November.

Year 2- The children had a fantastic day at St. Michael's Mount on Monday. They walked for miles with very few complaints! Their behaviour was brilliant. We were so proud of them. In Geography this week, the children were able to write their own address onto a postcard understanding what the postcode was and its importance. Look out next week for something popping through your letterbox! The most exciting news is that we have started practising for the school Christmas Play. The children have been given their parts and scripts have been sent home. I would be grateful if you could help your child learn their lines and practise singing the songs. Mrs Tripp is currently sorting costumes. If we need any extra we will be in touch.

Key Stage 2

Year 3/4 - This week, we started our new history focus, Stone to Steel and looked at the Stone Age and the start of the Bronze Age. Did you know that the Stone Age lasted for nearly 3 million years? We have started practicing the Christmas carols and they will be performing these at the Christmas Fair, opening the event at 2pm. Please pop the date in your diary and join us if you can. The children have looked at many news related items this week – COP26 and Remembrance. Your children have created class, school and community ideas supporting climate change and so they may be asking you to support them in some of these in future months. Homework will start again today after the half term break, now that they have completed a new element of learning.

Year 5/6 - Year 5/6 have had another busy week. The children are really ended with their geography topic on volcanoes and have produced diagrams to show the parts of a volcano- ask your child if they can name any for you. In literacy, following on from our science learning on life cycles, we are writing explanation texts about the lifecycle of a praying mantis- if you discuss this with them, they may be able to tell you about the three stages.



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Parking - We had a visit from our local PCSO and a traffic enforcement officer this week to monitor parking outside of school and issue parking tickets to illegally parked cars. Whilst we realise that parking is at a premium, the lines are in place for the safety of our children. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Anti-Bullying Week - 15th – 19th November - Odd Socks Day Monday 15th November - Please can your child wear odd socks on Monday 15th November to represent that we are all unique and individual. Our focus across the school will be 'One Kind Word'. Please talk to your child at home about how important it is to be kind to others.



Reception to Year 6 Flu Vaccinations - Thursday 2nd December -

Letters were emailed home on Monday 8th November. This is an **OPT-IN** system and we will need a completed consent form by **midday on Tuesday 30th November** in order for your child to be vaccinated. Any problems please call the office on 01326 562249.



Christmas Dinner Pre-Order (Nursery & KS2) - Wednesday 8th December 2021 - £2.34 - Chartwells will be offering a Christmas dinner on this date, if you would like your child to have one then please can you call the office to **pre-order by no later than Friday November 26th 2021**. KS1 children will order in their classrooms.

Roast Turkey with all the trimmings

Roasted Vegetable and Cranberry Slice with all the trimmings

Chocolate Brownie

Festive Shortbread



Foundation Stage Hall for Cornwall Cinderella - Tuesday 7th December -

Payments can now be made via ParentPay. Please can we ask that payment is made no later than Friday 3rd December 2021. If you have any problems please contact us on 01326 565249.

Lunch Menu & School Lunch Payments - We will be on **WEEK 3** of the school dinner menu next week. A copy of the menu is advertised on our school Facebook page and website. School dinners remain £2.34 per meal and can be paid for via ParentPay. We have quite a few accounts in arrears from the last academic year, we would really appreciate if these could be kept balanced please. Payment should be made on the day your child has lunch or in advance.

Understanding Your Child's Emotions Workshop with Mrs Broome - Tuesday 7th December 2021 - 1:30pm to 3pm - Porthleven Children's Centre - please contact the school office to book your place.

Parent & Toddler Group - Limited spaces - Every Tuesday - 9am to 11am - £1 per family - Booking essential - Please contact the school office to book your space - Forest school activities, snack provided for children. Children will need to wear old clothes and bring coats. We will also be using our indoor spaces some weeks and if the weather is bad.

Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancies - We are looking for two lunchtime supervisors to join our team. Please see attached job advert if this is something you would be interested in.



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PTA News - You can now order your Christmas cards, mugs and so many more ideas linked to the card designs. Please look at the PTA Facebook page for details if you have not received an email with the information.

The Christmas Fair will take place on Friday 26th November and will be opened by Years 3 and 4 with a selections of Christmas songs.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

Friday 26th November 2021 - Pre-order deadline for Christmas dinner KS2 and Nursery

Thursday 2nd December 2021 - Flu Vaccinations for Reception to Year 6

Tuesday 7th December 2021 - Foundation Stage Hall for Cornwall Trip

Tuesday 7th December 2021 - Understanding Your Child's Emotions Workshop with Ali Broome at Porthleven Children's Centre

Wednesday 8th December 2021 - Chartwells Christmas Dinner

Friday 17th December 2021 - INSET Day - School closed to all children

Monday 20th December 2021 to Monday 3rd January 2022 - Christmas Holidays

Monday 21st February to Friday 25th February 2022 - February Half Term