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Tolerance

Tolerance is accepting things you would like to be different with flexibility and patience. It means not complaining when things can't be changed. It's accepting people the way they are, appreciating that we are all different and have our own ideas and beliefs. Tolerance is appreciating that others may not be exactly like you, and showing curiosity and understanding to them.



Virtues -

This week's virtue is "Tolerance".

Foundation stage -

This week our focus is rain we will be looking at the water cycle and also making a coat for the rain, what will be the best material to use?

Later on in the week, the children will have an opportunity to make instruments so they can make different weather sounds. If anyone has any spare bottles or tubes we could use please send these to school.

In maths we are looking at doubling for example can you collect 3 stick double it show a friend your 6 sticks.

Forest schools this week we will continue to tidy up the garden and plant seeds, talking about what plants and seeds need to grow.

Key Stage 1

Seahorses - Seahorse class were busy researching Koalas and Kangaroos using epic books last week. The children loved using the Chrome Books! This week they are using their research to write non-chronological reports about the animal they have chosen. In maths last week they were focusing on comparing numbers up to 50 and finding one more or one less than a number using different manipulatives. The children are really enjoying their art this half term focusing on the skill of painting while using aboriginal symbols and dot painting. Next week we will be making rain shakers so if you have any kitchen roll tubes, please send them in. We have also linked up with a school from Australia and have sent some questions over to them so we look forward to hearing back from them next week.

Turtles - I am sure the children were tired on Friday night after our first full timetabled week. Following on from our Geography lessons on Australia the children planned and wrote a non-chronological report as part of their literacy. It is amazing how much they remember. They enjoyed spending an afternoon on the chrome books researching an Australian animal as part of this report. They have certainly developed good IT skills over lockdown! In Art, we continued the theme of Aboriginal Art and the children used another 'dream time' story as an inspiration for their 'dot painting'. The results really were amazing. Thank you for all the tubes that came in this week for our coming Art lessons. In maths, we have started looking at fractions – so far so good. We will continue with this topic until the end of term. In Science, we started an experiment; the children set up a 'fair test,' planting seeds and putting them in different places in the classroom (with/without heat, light and water). The children are now monitoring their progress over the coming week. Results to follow.

Key Stage 2

Year 3/4 - This week, the children will be building mini greenhouses during DT. So far this term, they have researched the history of greenhouses and why they were initially needed, tested the materials, made a proto type out of cardboard and designed their own greenhouse for a particular client!

In Spanish, we have been looking at Little Red Riding Hood and recognise enough key vocabulary to translate the story.

Homework books will need to be returned on Thursday and will be given back out on Friday, along with your child's spelling progress and times tables progress.

Year 5/6 - Year 5/6 had a busy week last week. Pelicans and Herons really enjoyed their cooking lesson on Monday; Mrs Riding was really pleased with the enthusiasm to learn and sensible behaviour shown. Cormorants will have the opportunity to cook after the Easter holidays. In whole class reading lessons, we spent some time studying song lyrics, which opened up discussion on a range of subjects including diversity and resilience. In Maths, pupils have made a great start on their fractions unit.



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Parent Survey - Thank you to all parents who took the time to complete our parent survey, your responses are greatly appreciated.



'Wear Purple Day' - Epilepsy Awareness Day - Friday 26th March - £1 donation - A pupil at our school has recently been diagnosed with Epilepsy. To support the family and raise awareness we would love for children to wear anything purple for the day, it can be as small as purple socks or a full purple ensemble! We ask for a £1 donation per child with all money raised to go to The Epilepsy Society. The children will be shown a short video in assembly on the day to help them understand what Epilepsy is.

Year 6 (Current Year 5) Porthpean Camp - Monday 20th to Friday 24th September 2021 - We have provisionally booked Porthpean Camp for September 2021. This is a fantastic opportunity for the children. The total cost will be **£200 per child** (a reduced price compared to previous years). We are asking for a **£50 deposit per child to secure their place** - these will need to be paid by **Friday 30th April 2021** and will be fully refunded should we need to cancel the trip. The remaining balance will need to be settled by Monday 13th September 2021. Payments will be made via ParentPay and so we will add Year 5 parents to these payment items in the next day or so. Letters will be coming home shortly. Any questions please give the school office a call on 01326 565249.

PE Days - Across is a timetable of PE days. Please can children wear their PE kits into school on their designated day. Children can also wear a pair of tracksuit bottoms and their school jumper over their PE top to keep them warm.

Art & D.T Week - W/b Monday 28th June 2021 - We are looking for parents who are either artists or have a skill they could share with children in school e.g. florist, wood worker, jewellery maker, painter...anything crafty! Please get in touch with the school office if this is something that interests you.

School Dinner Payments - A polite reminder that school dinners cost £2.34 per day and should be paid for in advance or on the day the meal is taken. Please keep your ParentPay accounts clear to avoid arrears.

Class	Day
Angelfish/ Rainbowfish	Friday
Seahorses	Tuesday
Turtles	Friday
Narwhals	Wednesday
Swordfish	Friday
Cormorants	Thursday
Pelicans	Monday
Hérons	Tuesday

Reporting negative COVID test results - Please ensure that you let the school office know about a negative COVID-19 test result before sending your child back to school. You can call the school office on 01326 562249.

Definition of a persistent cough - There seems to be a lot of confusion surrounding what constitutes a persistent cough. Here is a definition from the BBC: **Coughing a lot for more than an hour, 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours.**

PTA NEWS - Please see the attached document for information on what our PTA have been up to.

Calendar - School term dates 2019/20 - Important dates for your diaries are as follows:

- Wear Purple Day for The Epilepsy Society - Friday 26th March - £1 donation**
- Easter Holidays - Friday 2nd April to Friday 16th April 2021**
- Porthpean Camp Deposits Due - Friday 30th April 2021**
- May Bank Holiday - Monday 3rd May 2021**
- May Half Term - Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June 2021**
- Art & D.T - Week beginning Monday 28th June 2021**
- INSET Day - Thursday 22nd & Friday 23rd July 2021 -School closed to all children**
- Summer Holidays - Monday 26th July to TBC**