

Friday 3rd November 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians,

A new half term begins and winter is making an appearance! Thankyou to everyone for taking your time coming into school and ensuring you were safe on Thursday morning. It is always difficult to completely predict the effects of a storm and it is essential we always put your safety first.

We have enjoyed Halloween and now move into Bonfire Night. We hope the weather will be

kind to everyone and the children are able to enjoy any events that are



taking place. We covered some firework safety in assembly today and here is the link if you would like to rewatch the video at home: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CFSwR-</u> NFJCg&ab_channel=CBBC

Year 2 also enjoyed a visit from Guy Fawkes himself today and learnt about the origins of Bonfire Night for their current topic. They were able to share facts they had already learnt, as well as ask questions that they still needed the answers to!

Year 4 have been learning about healthy living and how different foods affect our teeth. As the photo shows, science can be exciting and disgusting in equal measure!!



We have our new "Team for Change" (formally known as School Council). Well done Frida, Harry, Luke, Tilda, Xanthe, Pearl, Eli, Isla, Faith and Lottie. We will meet every Wednesday lunchtime to discuss how we can implement change in the school. This will be in discussion with their peers and reflect the issues that are important to them. It is incredibly important that children feel they have a voice and can be part of real, sustainable change.



We are currently finalising our Christmas dates so look out for these in future Weekly Updates. We are looking for some helpers to support during our Christmas Fair on Wednesday 13th December. If you are interested please email to let us know. Lots of people have already put their names forward to run stalls, so please let us know if you would like a spot to sell your wares!

We are very busy showing prospective parents around for our nursery intake and also for Reception 2024. Please share our details if you know anyone who may like to come and have a tour around our fabulous school.

Also, great news! There will be a new SCP starting soon to see see children across the road by the millpond.



Finally, thankyou for all your support with trips, visitors, book and a bagel, topic days and everything else that is involved with being part of a busy, thriving school. I know it feels exceptionally busy at times, especially if you have more than one child, but it means we can offer a rich, diverse curriculum that is also full of fun and variety.

Have a great weekend! Tiffany Pope Deputy Headteacher tpope@penpol.cornwall.sch.uk

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