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Friday 23rd February 2024

Dear All,

Another week of curious, creative and courageous learning has wooshed past with lots of exciting happenings across the school.

On Tuesday, our **Team for Change** (AKA School Council) visited **Hayle Town Council** to meet with Mayor Anne-Marie Rance amongst other key figures. The team learned about how the council works and how people can get involved before exploring and sharing their own ideas for the future of Hayle. On Wednesday, Year 5 met with a **real-life astronuat**, **Marsha Ivins**. During a fascinating video call, the children learned about her involvement in building the International Space Station and posed some excellently insightful questions.





Year 2 classes have, this week, enjoyed some excellent trips to the beautiful **Minack Theatre**. After learning about the history of the theare and how it was created, they took to the stage themselves with their very own productions of Jack and The Beanstalk. They will be following up next week with some beanstalk-inspired story writing and we can't wait to read their creations. You can read more here: <u>https://www.penpolschool.co.uk/2024/02/22/drama-at-the-minack/</u>. Meanwhile, **Nursery** went on their first ever school trip to **Newquay Zoo**. Much fun was had by all, with children and grown-ups meeting all kinds of incredible creatures. They were even able to handle real animal skin and bones! The children behaved impeccibly throughout and we could not be prouder of them all.



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Many thanks to Year Sixes Anya, Chloe, Skye and Lola who are organising **Food Bank Week** next week. An entirely child-led initiative, this event is designed to collect vital supplies and funds for Hayle Food Bank. If you are able to donate any non-perishable food items, please bring them to the school office or to Year 6 on any morning next week. The team will be selling cakes outside Year 4 on selected days after school also! Fantastic **citzenship**, girls!

Our Penpol Friends Association (PFA) met last week and have the following updates:

- Our next **Bags 2 School** event will be on May 8th.
- We will shortly be collecting for our **Easter Egg Tombola.** Any donations of easter eggs, including dairy-free options would be warmly welcomed during the first weeks of March. Thank you!
- Our **PFA Lottery** is a fantastic way to contribute to the school with a very real chance of winning a £50 cash prize each month. Numbers cost £1 each. To join, please collect a form from the office.



We are planning to revamp our **chicken** house and, soon, to increase our numbers of feathery friends. However, we need help! If you are interested in helping to work on our chicken garden and/or to feed the chickens during weekends and holidays, please get in touch at my email below. Thank you. ©

Nursery are on the lookout for spare trousers. If you have any age 3-4 trousers that you no longer need, we would be very grateful for donations. Thank you!

Sharon, **road crossing patrol** at the **Millpond**, will be away from work on March 7^{th.} Therefore, please take extra care at the crossing on this date.

Finally, **Red Nose Day** is on the horizon. Falling on March 15th this year, children will be invited to wear their own clothes, with something funny if they wish. Any donations for Red Nose Day warmly will be welcomed.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!

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