

# Newsletter



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Dear Families,

The new term is now well underway and already we have had some great events take place – Grass Track Cycling, a successful bid by TPAT has enabled me to implement Latin and The Classics into the curriculum. We have had a visit from Childline Schools Service including assemblies and workshops - children were incredibly sensible and receptive – more on that later. Finally Years 1, 2, 5 and 6 have taken part in the Cornwall P.E. Conference. The children participated in a range of activities throughout the day at Tremough Campus. Here is an extract from an email received from the organiser:

*"I would just like to say a huge thank you and well done to all the Students from Kennall Vale. It was amazing to see everyone have fun, try out new things and build friendships. I had an amazing day with the children, getting to know them and ensuring they had fun. We had some amazing feedback from delegates who attended the conference who commented on how good the children were and how nice it was to see them taking part and having fun."*

On a practical note, please could you return your data sheets to school by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September so we can update our records? Please check that they are accurate. It is vital that we have your first contact email address for correspondence and contact numbers. The sheets will be sent home tonight so please look out for them.



Could you please ensure that any boots worn by children in school are 'uniform' boots and not fashion boots – no decorations or buckles. Boots should be plain black as should school shoes.

The Friends of Kennall Vale have organized a Pasty Walk for Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September – this is an annual event and a great social opportunity for staff, parents and children (and dogs!). If you are coming please could we have your pasty orders by Friday this week? **Please note that we will be starting at 6.00pm** given the darker evenings and not 6.30pm as originally stated.

Kennall Vale has received a very generous donation of £2000 given on behalf of Mrs Rosalind Lyle. She was an ex teacher who lived in the village and came in to school to hear readers. The School Council will be deciding how to spend this money.

**Note: The office is closed on both Thursday and Friday afternoons.**



**Captain's Table** I was joined by Arlan, Lily, Seren and Zach on the Captain's table. They were chosen by Carol and Mandy for their impeccable manners! The conversation was great.

**Healthy Schools** Lunchbox of the week awards will begin this Friday!



**Courtesy Cup** – Well done to Daisy from Bedruthan for achieving the courtesy cup.



## Speak Out, Stay Safe



Peter Frost from Childline, Schools Service (NSPCC) delivered fantastic assemblies to both key stages yesterday followed by workshops for Year 5 and 6 pupils. This is one example of ways in which we can keep up the momentum in ensuring our children feel safe and know how to feel safe and listened to. This care and support MUST be the golden thread that weaves its way through the entire curriculum. This is a small excerpt from an email I sent to staff and governors this morning:



***I was listening to the radio this morning and recent research is telling us that 1 in 4 girls suffer depression during their teen years and includes a range of mental health issues. This further drives my commitment in ensuring our curriculum really sets our children up to be resilient and to cope well and confidently in an ever increasingly challenging environment in which pressures on our young people are immense.***



**School Council** – our new School Council Members, nominated by their peers are: Thomas (Chair), Lowenna (Vice Chair), Hadyn, Samantha, Tean, Seren, Cerys and Oliver.

## Assemblies for Parents

13.10.17	<i>Piskies (Harvest)</i>	<i>Parents</i>
10.11.17	<i>Cormoran</i>	<i>Parents</i>
17.11.17	<i>Morgawr</i>	<i>Parents</i>
24.11.17	<i>Bedruthan</i>	<i>Parents</i>



## Other Diary Dates

Please note – dates are planned well in advance and can change.

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
<i>29.09.17</i>	<i>Pasty Walk at 6.30pm</i>
<i>Week Beg 16.10.17</i>	<i>Parent Consultations (Mon-Thurs)</i>
<i>23-27.10.17</i>	<i>Half Term</i>
<i>30.10.17</i>	<i>TPAT INSET DAY – school closed</i>
<i>Week Beg 11.12.17</i>	<i>Class Christmas Plays</i>
<i>11.12.17</i>	<i>Piskies Christmas Play at 1.30pm</i>
<i>12.12.17</i>	<i>Cormoran Christmas Play at 1.30pm</i>
<i>13.12.17</i>	<i>Morgawr Christmas Play at 1.30pm</i>
<i>14.12.17</i>	<i>Bedruthan Christmas Play at 6.15pm</i>
<i>19.12.17</i>	<i>Children Break up for Christmas at 3.15pm</i>



Over to the children.....

## Well Done Kennall Vale – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in Grass Track Cycling!

Children from Years 5 and 6 took part for the first time in Grass Track Cycling at Penryn College. This is a new event for the school which involves the children, in teams of four, racing around an oval track for 6

laps. The aim is to set the quickest time possible, whilst staying as a group for the whole race. Each child spent at least one lap at the front before dropping to the back of the group. The race times for both groups were added together for the final time. Kennall Vale did amazingly well and placed third out of nine schools! The British Cycling coach commented on how well they raced as a team and how their performance looked very fluid. More photos on the website!



Kind regards,

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