



Dear Parents/Carers,

Attendance

On Friday 17th March, class 4SG won the trophy for 'Good Attendance' with 99.5% and on Friday 24th March, class 6CD won with 98.9%. Well done to class 4SG and 6CD!

Celebrating Success

Y1	Abigail		Y2	Adam	Caleb
				Lucian	Kane
Y3	Alfie	Faith	Y4	Angus	
	Nusrat			Phoenix	
Y5	Denis	Tilly	Y6	Libby	Sadie
					Amber
7R	Tom				

Information for Parents Regarding Year 6 SATs

At the beginning of the informal parents' evening on Wednesday 29th March, there be will a brief information session for parents. Please come along to Mr Walter's classroom at 3:10pm. The session will cover the following:

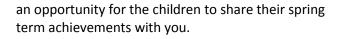
- What tests children will take during the week.
- The test timetable for the week.
- What each of the tests will look like and the types of things they will involve.
- A chance to browse some previous examples of the test materials.
- How you can help to prepare your children for the tests.

Year 6 Camp Meeting

The meeting to discuss arrangements for the Year 6 Camp will be held on Wednesday 29th March at 2.30pm. Should you be unable to attend, please feel free to pop in and ask any questions you may have regarding the arrangements for our trip at another time.

Year 1 Open Afternoon

Year 1 parents/carers are invited to come in to the classrooms on Tuesday 28th March 2.40-3.10pm. This is



School Funding

In February parents/carers were sent a letter explaining the very serious financial pressures that schools are facing. This is just a reminder: What can parents do to help and support their school?

The more people that raise their concerns with their MP, the more likelihood there is that changes may be made. The government is currently consulting on their funding reforms, so now is the time for Cornish parents to make their voice heard. You can do two things:

- Sign a national online petition: <u>http://www.schoolcuts.org.uk/#/contact-us</u> AND
- Email your MP or go to: <u>http://www.schoolcuts.org.uk/#/email-your-mp</u>

Comic Relief

Thank you for supporting Comic Relief. Great fun was had by all. We will let you know the total amount raised in the next Newsletter!

Chartwells: Change of Menu

On the first day back after Easter (Tuesday 18th April) there will be a change of Menu: Pork or Veggie Sausages & Chips Peas Baked Beans Ice Cream Pot Jacket Potatoes will also be available

Teacher Training Days Academic Year 2017/2018

Friday 20th October 2017 Monday 30th October 2017 Tuesday 31st October 2017 Monday 23rd July 2018 Tuesday 24th July 2018



Sophie & Emilia's Big Fundraiser

Sophie and Emilia (aged 5 and 7) have undertaken a 17.5km sponsored cycle ride from Portreath on the north coast, across the spine of Cornwall, to Devoran on the south coast to raise funds for Duchy Ballet's production of Sleeping Beauty. They followed the Mineral Tramway Coast to Coast route on Saturday 25th March. What a huge challenge for such young children. Well done girls!

Donations can still be made at: www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/BigRideForLittleLegs



DIARY DATES					
March					
Tues. 28 th	Open Afternoon for Year 1 – 2.40 – 3.10 p.m.				
Tues. 28 th	Netball Tournament @ St. Mewan – p.m.				
Wed. 29 th	Basketball School Games Qualifier @ Treviglas Hub				
Wed. 29 th	2.30pm Year 6 Camp Meeting 3.10pm Year 6 SATs Information Session				
Wed. 29 th	Parents Evening [drop in session] – 3.00 – 5.45 p.m.				
Thurs. 30 th	Infants' Easter Service				
Thurs. 30 th	Cross Country @ Poltair School (KS1 children) – p.m.				
Fri. 31 st	Infants' Easter Egg Hunt – kindly supported by our PTA				
Fri. 31 st	Break up for Spring Holiday – 1.30 p.m. finish! [No swimming!]				
April					
Tues. 18 th	School resumes!				
Wed. 19 th	PTA Summer Fair Planning Meeting – 1.30 p.m. – Small Hall				
Mon. 24 th	Juniors' Beach Safety Talk – 2.30 p.m.				
May					
Mon. 1 st	Bank Holiday				
Mon. 8 th	SATs week for Year 6				
Mon. 8 th	RGB – Teddy Bears' Picnic at Lanhydrock				
Tues. 9 th	RCR – Teddy Bear's Picnic at Lanhydrock				
Mon. 15 th	Year 2 SATs week				
Mon. 15 th	Year 5 Visit to Eden				
w/c Mon. 22 nd	Year 6 Camp @ Delaware				
Tues. 23 rd	Cornwall Schools Qualifier @ St. Austell Bowls Club				

Please visit the new calendar page on www.mount-charlessch.org to see these, and other dates, as they go into the Diary.



Netball home against Biscovey 20th March

A team – Lilyah (C), Rodrigo, George, Lizzy, Aleeah, Libby and Jasmine

The whole of the A team got off to a great start and George managed to score 3 goals. Biscovey fought back well and were able to score 2 goals. The whole team also managed to defend extremely well in the second quarter and neither teams could quite get the ball into the net. Again, it was a close third quarter with Lizzy scoring 2 goals and Biscovey matching this and also scoring 2 goals. It was tense final quarter with the score as 5 - 4 to us. Lilyah and Rodrigo soon managed to secure our lead with 4 goals. Biscovey also managed to score a couple more, this left the final score 9 - 6 to us. It was a well-deserved win! Player of the match goes to Jasmine.

B team – Ella (C), Maddy, Kyle, Denis, Jess, Eva, Charlie and Mea

The B started well and clicked instantly, allowing Jess to score a goal early on. The team were defending really well and weren't giving Biscovey many chances to try and shoot. Despite all their efforts, the second and third quarter remained goalless. In the final quarter, just before the whistle, Charlie managed to score a fantastic goal! Again, it was a well-deserved win of 2 – 0 to us. Player of the match goes to Charlie.

Mr. B. has arranged for Plymouth Argyle to run an **Infant Football Club (Yr1 &2**) after Easter on Mondays after school (3 - 4 pm) for the whole of the Summer Term (letters going out to parents this week).

Mr. B. has just received a new order of Football/rugby emboidered school socks at the cost price of £5.

Cross Country: Year 6 girls team winners in the St Austell district

The last meet at Par was as competitive as all the rest; and with Year 6 girls narrowly in 1st place after the first 4 rounds, a strong team effort was needed. It turned into the best performance of the season with Chloe coming in 4th, Ruby in 9th, Jess in 13th and Lizzy in 18th. With Lilyah and Caitlin also running throughout the season they have been a great team supporting each other and thoroughly deserve their victory.

Meanwhile the Year 5 girls missed out on third place by a whisker, with key runners ill for the last meet. Throughout the season Ella has been in the top ten, Ellie(Year 4) has also broken into the top ten and Abbie(Y4) has been a great competitor. Well done to all of those who have persevered through wind, rain and mud. It is the taking part that counts! Year 6 girls: Chloe, Jess, Ruby, Lizzy, Lilyah, Caitlin. Year 6 boys: Harvey, Rodrigo, Dexter, Kevin. Year 5 girls: Ella, Ellie(Y4), Abbie, Keeley, Becky, Iesha, Year 5 boys: Charlie, Finley, William, Kieran, Tobi(Y4), Ethan(Y4), Jake(Y4)

Mid Cornwall Finals

11 of our best runners then went to Newquay for the Mid Cornwall finals. With a much higher standard there were mixed fortunes. Everyone gave the tricky course a fantastic go and with up to 60 children in each race trying to get a top 15 spot, and thus qualify for the Cornwall finals, it was going to be tough. However, 3 of our athletes made it through with great results. In the Year 4 girls Ellie, who front ran it for most of the way, was narrowly beaten into 4th place. In the Year 6 girls Chloe came in a very credit worthy 9th; meanwhile Jess set out quickly, and held on tenaciously to come in 15th and grab the last spot for the County finals.

Year 4 Boys Team: Ethan, Tobi, Jake, Max(Y3). Year 4 Girls Team: Ellie, Abbie, Daisy, Lily(Y3), Kira.

Cornwall Finals

Our 3 qualifying athletes were now representing Mid Cornwall and up against the very best in the county. Ellie in Year 4 was first to run and finished in 13th place with the Mid Cornwall team in 2nd overall. In the Year 6 race Jess came 34th and Chloe 39th with the Mid Cornwall team coming in 1st place. 3 excellent results. And, to give it some real perspective, it wasn't really out of 60. With all the regional finals and district races before that, this was out of 1000 and more!

<u>Tennis</u>

On a very cold and wet Thursday, 12 children from MCS went to the tennis tournament. Four year 4 children: Stan, Ethan, Abi and Grace, and eight year 6 children: Rodrigo, Chloe, Kieran, James, Ruby, Gracie, Zakk and Caitlin. They all played amazingly well and one of the year 6 teams was so successful that they are through to the next round. Well done! Mrs Degenhardt

RESULTS OF THE SPORTS CLUBS SURVEY

Many thanks to those parents who returned the survey; we will use the information to look into the feasibility of providing new sports clubs/opportunities throughout the remainder of this year and into the next school year. Number of **parental** replies : 39

Fifteen different sports were put forward as potential clubs by **Infant parents**, however the most requests were for:

- 1. Dance and gymnastics (equal)
- 2. Badminton and swimming (equal)

Twenty different sports were put forward by Junior parents as potential club activities:

- 1. Tennis and dance (equal)
- 2. Gymnastics
- 3. Basketball and Yoga (equal)

Several parents of children in 7R wanted money to be used to provide adult support for children with additional needs to take part in extra-curricular clubs.

School Council results:

Infants asked for eleven different sports.

Juniors asked for thirty three different sports and the top three were:

- 1. Hockey
- 2. Tennis
- 3. Gymnastics and Badminton (equal)

WHAT THE SCHOOL HAS DONE THIS YEAR SO FAR:

It was clear that more club activities could be provided for the **Infants** and a free **Gymnastics Club** paid for by PE Premium money was set up on Tuesdays after school. During the Summer term Plymouth Argyle will be taking an Infant **football club** after school as well as providing coaching during school lesson time. In September a free Infant **dance club** ran after school through to Christmas. It is very encouraging that the Mid Cornwall Sports Network are running more sporting opportunities/festivals especially for Infants e.g football, cross country, hockey, athletics and gymnastics. The **juniors** already have a wide range of clubs to choose from but with **girl's football** an ever growing sport, the school is now paying (PE Premium money) for an after school club on Wednesdays. We have applied for a place in the Chance to Shine scheme, which provides after school **cricket**, throughout the summer term as well as cricket coaching during school time in the summer term. We are planning to continue with Try Golf coaching for both Infants and Juniors throughout the summer and possibly autumn term. The juniors also benefit from entry into the **Cornwall School Games** competitions and PE Premium money is set aside to pay for transport and supply cover in order to attend; Try golf, Tag rugby, hockey, tennis, Indoor athletics, swimming, cricket, bowls, basketball, Aquathlon, quad kids to name some of the sports we enter. We also pay for entry into other local football/netball/cricket/athletics league/cup competitions as well as county cup competitions. Activity levels amongst our children appear very positive after conducting a club/school team survey, however we are always looking to improve.

Setting up new clubs/activities can be hampered by indoor hall availability, which is always an issue especially when we encounter bad weather and clubs cannot use the largest playground after school, as it is used as a car park due to limited parking space. Despite these problems we will endeavour to look for new club opportunities throughout the rest of this year and into the next school year in September.

Many thanks

Mr.B P.E. Co-ordinator