



## FRIDAY 13th SEPTEMBER 2019

### Attendance

If your child is going to be absent from school due to illness, then please inform the office before 9am in the morning, and let us know why your child is going to be absent, and when you expect them to return. If your child is off for more than one day, we must still be informed each day of your child's absence until they return to school.

Please note in instances of sickness and/or diarrhoea, please keep your child off school for 48 hours, timed from the last occurrence.

Please phone us on 01726 822274 or leave a message as soon as possible to tell us why your child is absent, and when you expect them to return.

### Flu Immunisation

You should have now received a letter regarding the Flu Immunisation which will take place in school on Friday 22nd November. Please see below all relevant information including how to give consent.

Dear Parent/Guardian ,

Your child's annual nasal flu vaccination is now due Kernow Health is delivering the flu immunisation programme in Cornwall's schools on behalf of NHS England. Flu can be an unpleasant illness and sometimes causes serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable friends and family by preventing the spread of flu. In 2019/2020 all children in Primary Schools from Reception to year 6 (inclusive) will be offered the vaccine. The vaccination is free and recommended for young children; it is administered by a quick and simple spray up the nose. Please click on the following link to access information explaining the vaccination programme which also includes details about the small number of children for whom the nasal vaccine is not appropriate. We are due to visit your child's school on Friday 22nd November. In order to access the online consent form please click on the following link:

<https://www.kernowimmunisations.co.uk/forms/flu>

PLEASE ENSURE YOU QUOTE THE FULL UNIQUE SCHOOL REFERENCE CODE. **The code for your school is: EE138963** Please submit your consent form by Friday 15th November to ensure your child receives their vaccination. If you experience any problems accessing the form please telephone **01872 221105/06** and the team will be happy to help. Please note that as in previous years you must opt in to the programme. If a consent form is not submitted your child will not be vaccinated.

## School Council

The School Council will be led by Mrs Hatton and Mrs Haskayne this year and will be made up of children from Year 1 to Year 6. These children will act as a voice for their class, meeting regularly to help make decisions about our school and also supporting fund raising events. Last year, our school council successfully organised events such as Whitemoor's Got Talent and raised enough money to buy new play equipment for break and lunch times. On Monday this week, Mrs Hooper spoke to all of the children in assembly to explain what this responsibility involves and encouraged all children who are interested to sign up. Children in Class 3 and 4 have been asked to prepare a speech on why they would like to be in the School Council. This speech will be delivered to their class. Children in Class 1 and 2 have been asked to design and create a poster.

These need to be ready for Monday 16th September as the voting will take place after this date. We will announce the successful members of the School Council in next week's newsletter.

## Reading

We believe that reading is one of the most important skills that a child can learn whilst they are at school. For this reason, we plan reading time every day for all children in school - this may be reading independently, reading as a group, reading one to one to an adult or even being read to.

### **How can you help at home?**

If your child is in Year 1 - 6 then they already have a reading book and 'Reading Record' that they bring home every night. Please listen to your child read as often as possible (even if you only have time for a page or two). Whenever you do this, write something down in their Reading Record. If you are able to spend some time discussing the characters, making predictions and talking about likes and dislikes then this is even better.

We will be putting on some parent sessions to look at how you can support your child's reading at home. The first is on the 7th October for parents of children in Reception. More information will be coming out about this soon.

### **How can you help at school?**

We are always looking for volunteers to come to the school and listen to the children reading. If you are able to donate some time to us or would like to find out more please contact the front office.

## Aldi's Kit for Schools

We're collecting Team GB stickers with Aldi's Kit for Schools. Help us collect 300 stickers to complete our poster and we will receive an exclusive sports kit plus a chance to win £20,000!!

### Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Celebration assembly was held at the chapel this Friday. We would like to thank everyone who donated.

All donations will be going to our local food banks in Roche and St Austell.

### Thank you

Thank you to all parents/guardians who attended the meet and greet on Monday 9th September.

### Jeans for Genes!

The National Jeans for Genes campaign starts on the 16th of September and we will be having a 'Wear your Jeans to school Day' on **Monday 16th September!**

Feel free to come into school wearing your jeans and donate £1 to the Jeans for Genes charity. We ask that pupils hand their donations to their class teacher on Monday morning.

Usual non-uniform rules apply here—please ensure that your child is still dressed appropriately for a day of learning with appropriate footwear also.

### Uniform

We would like to comment on how smart all of the children are looking in their uniform. However, can we please remind you that if your child has long hair then it should be tied back and out of their face. Also, nail varnish is not permitted for children.

### Car Park

Please be considerate when using the car park. We have been made aware that cars are being blocked in or that some cars are loitering in the entrance and exit.

We understand that the car park does get busy but please be aware of other drivers and children around you.

### Attendance figures

Class 1—100%

Class 2—98.9%

Class 3—96.8%

Class 4—96.8%

Remember—the National Average is 96%