

Friday 11th March 2022

Firstly, I would like to say a huge well done to Class 2 for swimming this week. A lot of the children were feeling quite apprehensive at the start of the week and many of them had never even been in a swimming pool before. The progress this week has been fantastic. If you are interested in family swimming for FREE Better Swimming Centre in Bodmin offer Swim for All on Thursdays 3:45pm until 4:45pm session please visit their website for weekly timetable updates. We hope that if the children now continue swimming regularly that the progress they have made will be sustained.

Thank you to everyone for your commitment to today's dress up day for Ukraine. We understand that many parents were unsure of how to speak to their children about these world issues but please rest assured that everything said to the children has been in a sensitive and age-appropriate way. As a Trust, Aspire have already raised over £6500 for Unicef. There is no expectation to donate but if you wish to give, then this is the link: <u>Aspire Academy Trust is fundraising for</u> <u>Unicef UK (justgiving.com)</u>

Finally, I would like to give you an update on this week's Aspire monitoring that took place. On Tuesday we had external leaders from Aspire visit our school as well as our Hub Councillor. We are pleased to inform you that the teaching of early reading came out as a strength and the progress we have made in the teaching of mathematics was also praised. Our next step as a school is to develop our History curriculum. We have staff training planned for this in the summer term which we are all looking forward to.

Mrs G Hooper Head of School

This week in class	
Class 1	This week in Class 1 we have thoroughly enjoyed looking at the story The Great Cream Robbery. Thank you to Cadan for lending us the wonderful book to use this week. The nursery children had made some tasty scones and enjoyed eating them. We also liked thinking about how we would steal the cream from the creamery if we were the master thief. We also looked at Pablo Picasso's artwork this week and tried to recreate his work by painting cats like him.
Class 2	Class 2 children have had the most fantastic week, swimming every afternoon! We are so very proud of the children's enthusiasm, resilience and impeccable behaviour. They are all much happier in the water now and have had lots of fun! It has been a real delight for us to watch their confidence and skills improve as the week has progressed. In English, we have been "hot-seating" as the character of Peter Rabbit and using exclamation sentences to write his diary. In Maths, Year 1 children have finished their learning on place value within numbers to 20, while Year 2 children have begun to think about equal groups relating to multiplication. What an amazing week!
Class 3	Class 3 have been using persuasive language in English lessons to write a persuasive letter to Hogwarts, hopefully accepting them as a muggle student. In maths, we have been looking at fractions of an amount. We began with unit-fractions and then moved on to non-unit fractions. In French, we have been learning how to greet each other and say how we are feeling. Finally in art, we have been introduced to Jackson Pollock and attempted to drip paint using various objects.
Class 4	Class 4 have worked hard again this week. We have revised converting metric measures in Maths and in English we are continuing to benefit hugely from our Reading lessons. Our new topic in Science looks at how light travels and we are continuing to learn about India in Geography. We have started developing football skills in PE; well done to all of you who brought PE kit into school in readiness!

Important Upcoming Dates

- 16.03.22: Rearranged Class 4 Parent Consultations.
- 16.03.22: Bag2school donations by 9am
- 15.03.22: Football Only (at Bugle)
- 18.03.22: Football & Netball fixture against Luxulyan (during school day; no parents please)
- 22.03.22: Football & Netball fixture against Roche
- 23.03.22 to 25.03.22: KS2 Delaware Trip
- 28.03.22 Reception & Year 6 Health Checks (see email sent of information)
- 31.03.22: Class 1 Library Trip
- 27.06.22 to 08.07.22: Class 4 Swimming for 2weeks
- 07.04.22: Brannel Disco Years 5 & 6
- 08.04.22: Whole School Easter Egg Hunt



British Science Week Family Event

Saturday 12 March 2.00-3.30pm

We are celebrating British Science Week and the theme 'Growth'!

Get involved in a free family fun STEM activity session, experimenting and investigating some of the everyday science around us. Our Learning Space will be transformed into a Research Laboratory full of busy minds and hands. Activities will suit tots to teens.

2.00pm - 3.30pm Drop in throughout the session

A FREE activity included in your admission ticket or with your Annual Pass.

Until 31 March 2022, residents of Cornwall can purchase annual admission to Wheal Martyn for a discounted rate of just \pounds 8.00 per adult and \pounds 5.00 per child (those under 5 go free). Bring proof of address.

Like to know more? Contact gmartin@wheal-martyn.com



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Congratulations to the following children for achieving headteacher award this week:

Class 1: Percy

Class 2: Konor & Autumn

Class 3: Max

Class 4: Laylah

Delaware: It is not long now for our residential at Delaware Outdoor Education Centre. All information has been sent out and we are very excited. As a reminder, please pack a lunch (unless ordered from the kitchen) with a refillable drinks bottle for the first day.

The long range forecast is looking settled, but please follow the recommended kit list as much as you can as the weather can change quickly. If there is any further information that you require then please do not hesitate to contact the school on hello@whitemoor.org.uk.

Bags2School - We are looking forward to seeing as Sponsored read: Thank you to everyone for all the many bag of clothing as possible from you on money raised for the sponsored read. Wednesday 16th March for Bags2School. We are totalling up the money at the moment and All bags can be brought in at any time up until 9am will let you know how much was raised next week. on the 16th and we will store them. Baas2School will The money raised will ap towards the development weigh each bag and the school will be paid the of reading across the school and improving our total weight collected. Now is the time to get rid of school library. any unwanted good quality clothing you have and send them to school on the above date. The money raised will be spend on developing the school curriculum.

SPORTS

I would like to firstly say I am sorry for all of the changes regarding the matches. The cancellations and rearrangements are due to schools having cases of Covid and poor weather. We have three matches on the calendar so far:

- Bugle: 15th March (Football only at Bugle)
- Luxulyan: 18th March Football & Netball Fixture (this is happening during the school hours and we are asking for no parents to watch this event sorry!)
- Roche: 22nd March Football & Netball Fixture at Whitemoor (parents are welcome to support)

We are also in the process of arranging matches for the following schools: St Dennis, Nanpean and Treverbyn.

We are hoping that some of these matches can happen at Whitemoor however some may need to be played at their schools. We are seeking support with lifts to these events if possible. Thank you for your understanding with this.

Keep your eyes peeled for future events that may be happening.

Thank you Miss Towner.

E-safety

We always try to keep everyone up to date with the latest e-safety information. This week we have supported families with some issues concerning WhatsApp. We find that when parents report issues to us sooner, we are able to resolve the problems that occur straight away. If you ever have any concerns about e-safety then please get in touch and we will do our best to support you.

