



Friday 6th May 2022

Next week marks the start of our assessment period in school which lasts through the months of May and June. Next week brings the Year 6 end of Key stage assessments (SATs) taking place in Class 4. Following on from these tests, we will also be assessing our year 1s with their phonics, the year 2s will sit their assessment tests and Year 4s will complete their multiplication checks. Results from these assessments will be sent home to parents in the end of year reports in July.

All of the children have worked really hard in the lead up to their tests and have shown real commitment to their learning. We wish them all the very best and trust that they will do well. No matter what the scores are, they all make us very proud each and every day. I hope that all of our Year 6s have a restful weekend (no more revising allowed now!) and feel refreshed on Monday morning.

Mrs G Hooper  
Head of School

## This week in class ....

Class 1	Wow what a wonderful week. We have been busy learning about some wonderful places in Cornwall. We have learnt some great facts and practised crimping playdough like pasties. The nursery children have enjoyed their time planting some seeds and they are going to compare who will grow the longest. The reception children have worked hard in maths this week as we are looking at the teens numbers and knowing that they are 10 and another number. Great learning all around. Miss Towner is excited to finalise the school trip and hopefully we will get that information to you soon. We are waiting to hear back from the train company before we can get a price.
Class 2	What a busy 4 days we've had this week! We've completed our wonderful Magic Box poems and have begun to write persuasive letters about litter linked to our text, "Duffy's Lucky Escape". We've continued our cross-stitch project in DT, with all children becoming more confident with a needle and thread. In Maths, Year 2s are now experts on halves, quarters and thirds, and Year 1s have solved addition and subtraction problems involving length. We drew and wrote about how our beans have germinated in Science and are looking forward to planting them. We had great fun learning a Polish song in Music, practised finding the pulse and have begun to learn some actions to go with it!
Class 3	Class 3 have been around the world this week. In English, we are writing a non-chronological report about a lizard from South America. In our daily comprehension lessons, we were finding out about volcanoes from around the world. In Geography, we were identifying the position and significance of latitude and longitude and then locating countries. Finally, in French, we started to learn how to ask for a variety of drinks in a café.
Class 4	Despite the short week, Class 4 have achieved a huge amount and should be pleased with their success! All the children have been extremely keen to earn house -points and we have seen some great class work in all subjects, along with some really creative homework! Well done to Casey for earning enough points for a prize this week! As well as in-school achievements we have been really excited to celebrate the out-of-school sporting prowess of some in the class including wins in Karate, medals for football and trophies for rugby. Great work Class 4 and a huge 'well done' to you all for another good week!

# Important Upcoming Dates

- 09.05.2022—13.05.2022—KS2 SAT's
- 18.05.2022—Class 4 Trip to St Austell Fire Station (morning only).
- 19.05.2022—CENSUS Day
- 27.05.2022—Jubilee Celebrations
- 27.05.2022—Class 3 Trip to Ennis Barton Farm
- 30.05.22 to 03.06.22: Half Term Week (School/Nursery closed)
- ♦ 06.06.22: School/Nursery closed (Queen's Jubilee)
- ♦ 07.06.22: Inset Day School closed to all pupils
- ♦ 14.06.22: Class 2 Trip to Wheal Martyn: (Trip date to be re-arranged for new date)
- ♦ 15.06.22: Whole school beach clean (date has been changed from 17/06 to 15/06)
- ♦ 16.06.22: Sport's Day
- ♦ 27.06.22—Class 4 Swimming starts (two week block)
- ♦ 11.07.22—Brannel Year 5 Transition
- ♦ 15.07.22—Summer Fair

More dates to follow. Please also see 'Summer Term' dates emailed this week for more future dates.



## Headteacher Awards

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



Class 1: Parker

Class 2: Isla

Class 3: Myla

Class 4: Leonardo

## Pupil Premium and Free School Meals

Have your circumstances changed and you feel you may be entitled to pupil premium? Please click on the link below to see if you may be entitled to Free School Meals/Pupil Premium: [School meals - Cornwall Council](#)

## Healthy School

We have noticed that packed lunches and snacks at break time are not in line with our healthy school ethos. We do not allow crisps, etc as a snack at break time and do ask that lunch boxes are balanced. A small chocolate bar or biscuit in a lunchbox is welcomed but there are concerns that some children are bringing in lunchboxes filled with these sorts of items and no evidence of fruit, vegetables or anything more substantial like a sandwich which will fill the children up for the afternoon. If you would like more support with how to pack a healthy and balanced lunch for your child then please see: Lunchbox ideas and recipes – Healthier Families - NHS ([www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk)) or speak to Mrs Chown, our parent support advisor.

We would also like to remind you that school dinners are free to all children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 and to those children in receipt of Pupil Premium.



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## Open Afternoons

We have made the decision to bring back our termly open afternoons for parents to have the chance to come into school, see the classrooms and look at your child's books. Please see below for the dates for these events. Both of these afternoons will start at **2.30pm**. We look forward to seeing you then

**Class 1 and 3 - Friday 10th June**

**Class 2 and 4 - Friday 17th June**

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## Whole School Beach Clean

Please note that the whole school beach day date has changed to the 15th June instead of the 17th. A letter will be sent out about this in the coming weeks.

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## Class Trips

Class trips have now been booked for this term. Please keep an eye out for more information on this in the coming weeks.

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## Summer Fair

Unfortunately we did not have much interest from parents last week in supporting this year's summer fair. We will do our best to organise this event as a staff as we feel it is important for the children but this may mean that the event is smaller than in previous years. If anyone still would like to volunteer to help in any way, then please get in touch.

As part of the summer fair, we will be holding a raffle. If you are able to donate a raffle prize then please do let us know. Thank you.

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Attendance

At Whitemoor Academy we understand lateness and illness will happen, if your child is going to be late or off school due to illness or any other reason, please inform the school office via telephone or email: hel-lo@whitemoor.org.uk. We will mark attend accordingly. Should we not hear from parents/carers of your child's absence, this will be marked as Unauthorised absence. Please see the link below of the Aspire Academy Trust Attendance Policy: [Aspire-Attendance-Policy-Ratified-Dec-2021.pdf \(rackcdn.com\)](#)

The chart below shows the percentage which is expected from all pupils attending school. We will be announcing weekly attendance from each class starting from this week:

- Class 1: 94.5 %
- Class 2: 93.2 %
- Class 3: 93.3 %
- Class 4: 90.3 %

Please help us and your child by ensuring that their attendance remains above 95%

What is Your Attendance?

