

Newsletter



Everyone matters, everyone succeeds, every moment counts

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Dear parents and carers,

This week, children have learnt about dentists and how they help to look after us, created autumn pictures, learnt about how to create tones using white paint in art, developed skills of dodging and tackling in tag rugby, learnt about what an empire is in history, created Roman mosaics to reflect our school values, innovated our storytelling tales, practised our times tables using 'hit the button' on our new iPads, created Viking longships and learnt about what a monarch is and who our current monarch is. We also enjoyed Pudsey Day! Thank you for your generous donations.

On Wednesday, we welcomed new families of children who will be joining us next year in our Reception Class to our Open Morning. A huge thank you to our Year 6 ambassadors who led tours with such confidence and maturity. We were so proud of the responsibility they showed.

Next week, we have our Parent Workshops. These are included in the dates in this newsletter. On Friday, we are asking for children to come to school in non-uniform, in return for a bottle for a tombola prize.

I hope you all have a great weekend.

Mrs Cathy Brokenshire (Headteacher)

We are looking forward to...

Week beginning: Monday 25th November 2024

Nursery - Oula	We are looking forward to exploring the roles of doctors and nurses.
Reception - Kroenek	As artists, we are looking forward to developing our printing skills further.
Year 1 - Sort	As historians, we are looking forward to comparing modern toys with Victorian toys.
Year 2 - Gwiwer	As scientists, we are looking forward to investigating materials.
Year 3 - Brogh	As historians, we are looking forward to learning why the Romans invaded Britain.
Year 4 - Lowarn	As writers, we are looking forward to writing our invented 'rags to riches' stories.
Year 5 - Godh	As explorers, we are looking forward to our trip to the Eden Project.
Year 6 - Pedrevan	As scientists, we are looking forward to investigating how light travels.
The Nest	We are looking forward to our cinema trip next week.

St Dennis Stars

All St Dennis Stars were awarded for **teamwork** this week, which is one of our core values.



Oula	Daniel	Brogh	Bailey
Kroenek	Lettie	Lowarn	Theo
Sort	Myla	Godh	Dakota
Gwiwer	Lilo	Pedrevan	Oliver



Saturday 30th November and Sunday 1st December 10am - 4pm each day

Free admission - quiz for children, raffle and refreshments.

Live music:

Saturday 30th November 3pm: St Dennis Youth Band

Sunday 1st December 3pm: Imerys Mid Cornwall Male Choir

Family Service on Sunday 9.30am with our new vicar – Reverend Chris – fun for all ages!

Attendance

Attendance for this year is now **94.4%**.

This week, the class with the winning attendance is: **Cwiwer Class.**



Kroenek	93.2%
Sort	96.4%
Cwiwer	94.0%
Brogh	85.2%
Lowarn	90.3%
Godh	88.5%
Pedrevan	89.7%

They will enjoy an extra special playtime next week, for being the best attending class!

Lunchtime Awards

Dakota, Poppy and Watson received Lunchtime Awards this week for being polite and using good manners and showing responsibility.



Growth Mindset Awards

Our Growth Mindset certificates were awarded to Max, Oscar, Amber-Leigh, Elodie, Jamie-Lee and Alice this week.



These awards celebrate children who have continued to believe in themselves and be resilient when something has been tricky! It's knowing that they can't do it... yet!

Key Dates - Autumn Term 2

We endeavour to keep these dates the same, but will inform you of any changes at the earliest opportunity.

- 25.11.24 0900 Reception Parent Workshop - RWI
- 1500 Year 1 Parent Workshop - RWI
- 26.11.24 Godh Class Eden Project Visit
- 27.11.24 1500 Year 3/4 Parent Workshop - Multiplication Tables Check
- 28.11.24 1500 Year 6 Parent Workshop - SATs
- 29.11.24 Last day of clubs for the term
- Non-uniform day for a tombola prize
- 1500 Year 5 Parent Workshop - Arithmetic
- 02.12.24 Festival of Trees Visit to St Denys Church
- 1500 Performing Arts Club performance for parents and carers
- 04.12.24 Lowarn Class Maritime Museum Visit
- 05.12.24 Santa's Grotto
- 06.12.24 FOSDA Christmas Fayre
- 10.12.24 0930 Rocksteady Concert for Parents and Carers
- Open the Book Assembly
- 11.12.24 Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
- 13.12.24 Y5 to the Over 70s lunch @ The Pitch
- 16.12.24 1500 Nursery Mince Pies and Songs
- 17.12.24 14-00 Reception Christmas Performance
- 18.12.24 14-00 Key Stage 1 Nativity
- 19.12.24 14-00 Key Stage 1 Nativity
- 20.12.24 1000 Key Stage 2 Carol Concert @ St Denys Church
- 1330 - Early finish

School Clubs

Next week is the last week for after school clubs and they finish on Friday 29th November for this term.

New clubs will start after the Christmas break.



★ ATTENDANCE ★



Our Attendance Emporium is now open! Children across the school have been visiting the attendance arcade, at their allocated time, to either cash in their stamps in or to have a look at the fantastic range of prizes on offer! The prize levels are: 5 stamps, 10 stamps, 20 stamps, 30 stamps and 37 stamps!

10:30 - 11:00	Classes
Monday	Reception and Year 1
Tuesday	Year 2
Wednesday	Year 3
Thursday	Year 4
Friday	Year 5 and 6



For further information on our policy, please follow this link to our website <https://st-dennis-primary-academy.secure-primariesite.net/attendance/>.

If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £80 if paid within 21 days or £160 if paid after this but within 28 days.

If your child is further absent from school without authorisation within any 3-year period, you will be committing a further offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act.

Penalty Notices for a second offence are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £160, payable within 28 days. Importantly, fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action such as a parenting order or prosecution will be considered.

Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may also result in legal action. If you are prosecuted and attend court because your child has not been attending school, you could get a fine of up to £2,500. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.

Absence not authorised by the school may also result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Again, Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs. Money raised from fines is only used by the local authority to cover the costs of administering the system, and to fund attendance support. Any extra money is returned to the government.

Children in Need 2024

Today, we dressed up in spots to raise money for Children in Need! Thank you for all the generous donations!



Sports Report

Last week our football and netball teams hosted a fixture against Roche.

Roche had some very strong and experienced teams and unfortunately the results didn't go our way this time.

All children from all of our teams showed a great growth mindset, teamwork and courage.

It was great to see the teams all supporting each other!



Wonder Wall

Our Wonder Wall in the hall has been updated with new learning from children in each class who take extra care with their presentation and have produced excellent learning.

Congratulations to Roman, Serenity, Nylah, Casey, Albert, Annabelle and Archie who have their learning on display in the hall on our Wonder wall for this half term!





ST DENNIS
LANTERN PARADE
&
CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON!

• Friday 6th of December
From 6pm

Trelavour Prazey

- Everyone Welcome
- Free Refreshments
- Santa's Grotto
- + • St Dennis Band
- Carol Singing

For more details visit www.stdennisparishcouncil.org.uk or
St Dennis Parish Council Facebook Page.

*All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.



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MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST

Parents and Carers - please join us at our 1hr online Resilience Workshop

Monday 20th January - 9.30am & 4pm
 Tuesday 21st January - 11am & 2pm
 Wednesday 22nd January - 11.30am & 4pm
 Thursday 23rd January - 9.30am & 1.30pm

This workshop aims to talk about the meaning of resilience, explore building resilience and look at how and when a young person should ask for help.

To book a place please complete the online form [HERE](https://forms.office.com/e/TE2UmBZRHK)  or scan the QR code

This workshop is open to parents/carers of primary aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 6 in any school in Cornwall

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MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST

Parents and Carers - please join us at our 1hr online Behaviour Workshop

Monday 27th January - 9.30am & 2pm
 Tuesday 28th January - 11.30 am & 4pm
 Wednesday 29th January - 9.30am & 1.30pm
 Thursday 30th January - 11.00am & 4pm

This workshop provides parents with practical strategies to foster positive behaviour and communication at home.

To book a place please complete the online form [HERE](https://forms.office.com/e/1PWGDXSQ40)  or scan the QR code

This workshop is open to parents/carers of primary aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 6 in any school in Cornwall

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MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST

Parents and Carers - please join us at our 1hr online Sleep Workshop

Monday 3rd February - 11am & 4pm
 Tuesday 4th February - 9.30am & 2pm
 Wednesday 5th February - 9.30am & 1.30pm
 Thursday 6th February - 11am & 1.30pm

This workshop aims to provide psychoeducation on sleep hygiene and sleep routines. Also includes practical strategies for helping children

To book a place please complete the online form [HERE](https://forms.office.com/e/7ac7qHLPhc)  or scan the QR code

This workshop is open to parents/carers of primary aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 6 in any school in Cornwall

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MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST

Parents and Carers - please join us at our 1hr online Worry Workshop

Monday 13th January - 9:30am & 2pm
 Tuesday 14th January - 11am & 4pm
 Wednesday 15th January - 09:30am & 1:30pm
 Thursday 16th January - 11am & 4pm

This workshop aims to provide psychoeducation on "What is worry?" and "Why does my child worry?" Also includes practical strategies for helping children manage their worries.

To book a place please complete the online form [HERE](https://forms.office.com/e/YR5MeEwtEF)  or scan the QR code

This workshop is open to parents/carers of primary aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 6 in any school in Cornwall