

Bishop Cornish CEVA Primary School

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So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love. 1 Corinthians 13:13

This week's value: **Love** 

Dear parents and carers,

This week in school we have looked at the importance of Christmas and whose birthday we are celebrating. Mrs Hill led a thoughtprovoking Collective Worship, where she shared with the children how busy we can all be at Christmas and the importance of taking the time to stop and remember why we celebrate Christmas.

Also, in school this week we have had a flurry of Christmas activities with the parents of the children in Year 5 coming in to help with stocking making; the children in Year 3 having a fabulous outdoor learning experience as part of their Stone age topic; as well as the children in Year 6 working with their parents to create Christmas tree decorations.

On Wednesday we all wore our Christmas jumpers to school and had a special treat when Father Christmas visited. He walked around and spoke to all the children. Thank you Santa for helping us to create some special memories. After meeting Santa, we were treated to the most amazing Christmas dinner. Thank you to everyone in the kitchen for the fabulous food.

On Thursday afternoon we held our Christmas parties, where the children and their teachers had party food and played lots of fun games.

We have had lots of fun in school this week. A huge thank you to parents for your support and the children for never failing to make us smile through watching their obvious enjoyment. I would also like to thank the staff for all their hard work and governors for supporting the school. Thank you also to all of our parent volunteers for helping us to look after the animals at Bishop Cornish.

Finally, a huge thank you to Kiera, who has completed her teaching final placement. We know that she will be an amazing teacher and wish her all the best for her future career.

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas, filled with love, hope and peace.

**Mrs Tracey Fletcher** Headteacher

## Dates for your diary

Tuesday 19th December Last day of term - no after school club

Thursday 4th January First day of Spring Term

Friday 12th January 2pm - We have Mick Harrison from Devon and Cornwall police coming into school to deliver a talk about cyber-crime. He will talk about general cyber-crime awareness including government advice to general users of the web and covers how to protect your device, how to spot bogus emails, fraudulent social media accounts, dodgy websites and telephone / text scams, plus a few other handy tips. If this is of interest to you it is open to all parents and carers.

### Friday 12th January

Swimming lessons start for Y2 and Y4

#### Monday 15th January

Visit from the Ocean Conservation Trust

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February Half term

> Wishing all of our families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year



















## Achievement Awards

Lyla in Reception class deserves this week's achievement award for her always sunny attitude. She has a super outlook about everything she does and always tries her best. Well done Lyla!

Willow in Year 1 for her efforts with her writing - she is a super hard worker.

Isabelle in Year 2 has worked so hard this term and has made some super progress. Keep up the hard work Isabelle.

This week's achiever award in Year 3 goes to Faith, who immersed herself in our Stone Age Day, doing some fantastic weaving and clay creations. She also has developed a good understanding of the history in our Stone Age topic and produced some excellent writing about it. Well done Faith.

The whole of Year 4 deserves the Headteacher's Award for their incredible effort and focus to ensure that they had completed their writing fully! They have been so resilient and hardworking. Mr Blake couldn't be prouder!

Emily and Isabelle in Year 5 have both been superstars this week, really working hard on their creative DT project. They have turned their designs into wonderful stockings and have needed patience to do so. Well done girls.

The Head's Award must be a whole class award for Year 6 this week in recognition of them leading such a fantastic Christingle Service. They were absolutely amazing and we have had so many lovely comments about how special the Service was; they should be so proud of themselves, we certainly are

#### Value Awards

Ollie in Reception Class loves showing the value of love. He will always offer someone a hug and loves being generous with his time for others. Well done Ollie.

George in Year 1 often shows the value of love, he always has a big smile for the teachers.

Benji in Year 2 - you always show so much love for the people around you. You have worked really hard this half term and have been so kind and caring to us all.

This week's value award for love goes to Albie who is a kind and caring member of Year 3 and shows love and respect to all of his friends. Well done Albie.

Harlequin in Year 4 for being a loving member of the class who cares for her peers.

Niamh in Year 5 is always kind, considerate and caring to both children and adults. She shows a lot of love to those around her in the things she both does and says.

The Value Award for Love, again, goes to the whole of the Year 6 class and their parents. They have shown Mrs Williams so much love this week demonstrating what kind and caring individuals they are. They are utterly awesome and she is so proud to be their teacher

Sending you lots of love back

## This week in school we have...

This week in Year 2 we have been so busy finishing off our Great Fire of London work as well as going Christmas crazy. We thought about how we would rebuild London and what the legacy of the Great fire had been. We have made some amazing pretzel wreaths and started making Christmas decorations. We are definitely feeling festive in Year 2!

This week, Year 5 have been creating the most amazing Christmas stockings. They have turned their fabulous ideas into reality. Every, bead, bow, sequin and decoration has been carefully hand sewn on...using a variety of stitches. Well done Year 5, you should all be very proud.

This week Reception Class had great fun at their Christmas parties and enjoyed their Christmas lunch! They also enjoyed making edible Christmas trees, decorating salt dough decorations and making party hats! This week in Year 4 we have had a busy, enjoyable week, filled with Christmas activities! We have also completed our newspaper reports on plastic pollution and published them ready to go on display. We are very proud of their work!

This week in Year 1 we have finished our Christmas letters, written some Christmas stories, enjoyed some throwing skills in P.E. We have been super scientists exploring the change of seasons and had some festive celebrations.

This week Year 3 enjoyed their Stone Age Day and replayed Stone Age life by dressing up in traditional costumes, making clay jewellery and pots, learning how to spin wool and drawing with charcoal from the fire.

Year 6 have been busy elves this week! They had a lovely afternoon creating Christmas decorations with Mrs Fletcher (thank you to all the parents who came; it looked amazing!). The classroom has been a hive of activity making all sorts of Christmas surprises with Mrs Miller and Mrs Hall. I was delighted to join them for their Christmas lunch on Wednesday and it didn't stop there. They had a wonderful party on Thursday partaking in a variety of festive activities and then rounded off the week with a festive film! wow! Year 6, you'll need the weekend to rest

# Photo Gallery











Year 2











Year 5



Year 4



## A message from Tim Parkman - Chair of Governors

Dear Bishop Cornish Family,

It was a real privilege to be at the Christingle where we saw the amazing children lead us in our service. I remember sitting in last year's Christingle thinking it would be my last one with Bishop Cornish. That did not go to plan and one year on I am still here...

It has been several months since I have stepped into the role of Chair of Governors. It was thought that as I am finding my feet it would be a good idea for me to write a bit of an introduction about who I am and about the role I am undertaking, so here it goes...

My name is Tim Parkman and I am married to Michelle. Over this last year we have been coming in to do assemblies with the Children on a Thursday and we love it. It is great to see the Children look excited to see us and to build up that relationship with them, which we do not take for granted. Both my Children went through Bishop Cornish and loved it; I have seen first-hand the way in which this school equips and develops our Children and this is something that I will work hard with the school to continue to build upon.

My day job is being the minister of Saltash Baptist Church, two questions I normally get asked is what is a Baptist Church and do you only work one day a week. Well, the main difference between a Baptist and a C of E Church is not about what we believe, but how we do things, and no I work 6 days a week and it is varied, full on and never a dull moment.

I am also Chair of Governors at Saltash Community School and have done this role for the last 18 months, which means I have some understanding of what it means to be a chair of governors. I enjoy sports, cinema, music and usually enjoy making spontaneous songs which annoy those around me greatly.

This role has been made easier by the wonderful work that Teresa did as my predecessor and I look forward to continuing this good work with the Governors, Staff, Pupils and the wider Bishop Cornish family.

My role now is to support the Senior Leadership and to work with them in the strategic leadership of the school. I believe it is important to be seen by staff, pupils and parents/carers which means you will often see me around school and I am always happy to be stopped and to have a chat. I will also be there to support Mrs Fletcher and to offer support, care and a listening ear in the amazing work that she and her team are doing.

As we look forward I hope that Bishop Cornish continues to be a place where everyone is given space to grow and to find their God given talents and gifts. A place where each child, staff member, parent or carer and governor can thrive.

God Bless

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