

Bishop Cornish CEVA Primary School

To inspire through faith and love, that all may flourish

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'be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.'

Ephesians 4:32

This half term's value:

Compassion

Dear Parents and Carers,

We began this week with Collective Worship, where with the help of the whole school, we looked at the Bible story of Miriam saving Moses. From Reception to Year 6, the children wholeheartedly joined in the assembly with some wonderful actions and words. We reflected on the message from the story to help us to show compassion.

This week we have held our Parent Consultations. We have had an extremely high number of parents come into school to meet with their child's class teacher. As a school we believe it is important that we work closely with parents and carers to support the children. If you haven't been able to meet with your child's class teacher this week, please contact them to arrange another time.

Over the last year staff from Bishop Cornish have been working in partnership with St. Lukes hospice and other local schools to achieve the Compassionate Schools Award. We are very close to finishing the training. Our staff have been trained in how to support children going through, after, or anticipatory bereavement. We are very proud of the work we do and how many children and families we have supported so far. To extend this work further we offered the children in Years 5 and 6 the opportunity to be trained as Compassionate Buddies.

Mrs Oakes started working with children this week looking at how they could respond and support a friend who was going through a tricky and sad family time. They talked about how to Listen, Empathise, Notice and what to Do, the LEND model. They discussed bereavement in a child appropriate way helping them to understand how this may affect us and what they might say to a peer going through this. They did some role play and practised how to help someone, including which adults to go to. From this, the idea is that they can help someone in their class or the wider school if they are upset or confused and signpost them to an adult to help too. The hope is that this understanding with enable them to help themselves as well as each other. Many of the skills they have learnt will support their ability to deal with life events in the future. I was extremely proud of the large number of children that have chosen to be a Compassionate Buddy, as was Mrs Oakes.

A quick reminder that it is our Harvest Festival Celebration at St Stephen's Church on Wednesday 8th October at 1.45pm. I look forward to you joining us at this special time.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Fletcher





















Diary Dates

Wednesday 8th October

Harvest Festival – 1.45pm No ASC – whole school staff training

Thursday 9th October

Police visiting Reception Class Phonics Parent Meetings – 2pm and 7.30pm Open Morning – 9.30am Open Evening – 5pm

Monday 13th October

Tempest Portraits

Tuesday 14th October

Nasal Flu vaccinations

Wednesday 22nd October

National Child Measurement Programme Reception Class and Year 6 Reception Class Superhero Dress Up Day PTA Discos – KS1 4.30-5.15pm KS2 5.30-6.30pm

Friday 24th October

INSET – non-pupil day

Monday 27th – Friday 31st October

Half Term

If you have any spare crochet hooks or wool that you no longer need, please send in to the office. Also, Reception class are looking for any unwanted landline home telephones – thankyou.

Sports Report

With the County Football Finals looming for both the Girls & Boys teams, Burraton kindly agreed to host us in two friendlies on Tuesday. First up was our Girls team against a Mixed Boys & Girls Burraton team. It was a great test for the girls to get a a chance to play against some very talented boys, and in a very close match we eventually lost 3-2. It was an outstanding performance by the girls, who are improving on a weekly basis. Special mention



to Darcie, who was superb on her debut for the team in goal, and Olivia who was voted Player-Of-The-Match. Well done girls. Next up was the boys, deep in preparation for their County Small Schools Finals on October 17th, against the strongest Burraton team in years. In all honesty I expected a heavy defeat and told the boys to use the match as a good training session. However, they were amazing, and in another close match, again narrowly lost 2-1. Aiden was voted Man-Of-The-Match. Well done too boys!



Message from Reverend Laura Hawke

Join us for a warm and welcoming family service on Sunday 5th October at 10am at St Stephen's by Saltash Church. We'll be celebrating the Harvest Festival! This non-communion service lasts around 45 minutes and is designed to be interactive and engaging for all ages. After the service, stick around for refreshments and a friendly chat with your church community. There's no dress code — just come as you are! If you'd like to bring a donation for the Saltash Foodbank it would be appreciated.

We also welcome children who would like to take part by reading the Bible at future services — a lovely way for young voices to be heard and celebrated as well as helping children develop important oracy skills.

Everyone is invited, and everyone belongs. We can't wait to see you there!

Achievement Awards

Hudson in Reception Class for showing bravery, resilience and always coming in with a big smile as you grow more confident at school.

In Year 1, Milly works super hard in all lessons and she is doing very well.

Toby in Year 2 works hard all of the time. He has already made super progress with his handwriting and is producing some amazing English work. Well done Toby!

Charlie in Year 3, for working extra hard independently in our Maths lessons this week.

Amelia in Year 4 is being an absolute superstar. She always listens carefully, tries her best and listens to any advice given to her. Well done Amelia.

Cooper in Year 5 for his positive attitude, eagerness to learn, and willingness to explore new ideas. Keep it up.

Isla B in Year 6 for creating fabulous complex sentences using pathetic fallacy and a range of clauses. Wow, great writing Isla 😊

Values Award

Eden in Reception class for showing wonderful compassion to others by helping others that are in need.

Charlie ND in Year 1showed compassion during PE this week when he asked a friend who was struggling if they would like to work with him. What a superstar.

Harry in Year 2 always shows compassion to everyone in our classroom. He demonstrates how to be kind and caring. Thank you Harry for being amazing.

Reggie in Year 3 for always being a good team player and being considerate of others' feelings.

Millie in Year 4 is a very kind-hearted young lady who always shows compassion to others. If anyone needs some support, she is always there. Well done Millie.

Clarissa in Year 5 for always showing kindness and thoughtfulness towards others, always ready to lend a hand or share a smile.

Eron in Year 6 for always being a kind friend and supporting everyone in class in a caring, compassionate way. Thank you Eron.

Our new Award for Beautiful handwriting presentation BFF (Bottoms, Feet, Fingers)

Aubrey in Reception Class Bella in Year 1 Lyla W in Year 2

Sammy in Year 3 Ollie in Year 4 Daisy in Year 5

Penelope in Year 6

This week in school we have......

This week in Year 2 we have continued to write beautifully in literacy. Our ideas are amazing! In maths we have worked super hard on ordering numbers and have started our times tables. We have learnt all about Northern Ireland and explored stretchiness in science, we loved our investigation. We also reached 2000 dojo's so had a special treat of extra play.

We've had a fun-filled week in Reception. This week, we had a very special visit from the paramedics. The children were so excited to explore the inside of the vehicle, look at the equipment used and listen to the important job that paramedics do to help people. In maths, we focused on counting and recognising numbers to 5 and in RE we explored the beauty of the world around us and discussed why it is important for us to take care of it for God.

Year 3 have been working in groups to gather ideas for their own story. We have read 'The secret of Black Rock' by Joe-Todd-Stanton, and are now planning a sequel to the book. As part of our research for a story problem, we have found out about plastic pollution in the oceans, oil spills, and problems caused to wildlife by abandoned fishing equipment. This has linked nicely to our RE learning, where we have thought about how God would want Christians to look after the world, and how we are all caretakers of the Earth. In History and Art we have explored the artefacts discovered at the Mesolithic site of Star Carr, and held a replica Stone Age tool made from an antler!

In Year 5 this week, we have been planning our independent writing, inspired by Anthony Browne's wonderful book Gorilla. The children have been experimenting with different points of view, using repetition for effect, and crafting sentences with relative clauses to make their writing really come alive. In Art, we have been exploring watercolours and developing our skills to build texture in our paintings of the amazing solar system. In History, we became historical detectives, studying Ancient Greek pottery to uncover what life was like in Athens thousands of years ago. The children asked thoughtful questions, made detailed observations, and pieced together fascinating stories from the past.

Year 6 have been super busy looking at formal methods of addition and subtraction in maths, looking at pathetic fallacy in English and making circuits in science. They are working so hard and we are very proud of them.

Year 4 have had a very creative week. As part of our RE, we have been thinking about harvest and what this means to us. To link in with our topic on the Romans, we have created mosaics on the theme of fruit and vegetables...to be held top secret until the Harvest Festival! In our PE lessons, we have been working hard to perfect our tennis skills.

This week in Year 1 has been fun, we have been writing our own sentences using our phonics. We have been using the more than, less than and = sign, looking at what life was like in medieval castles and spotting what would not have belonged. We have played football and cricket in PE and looked at natural and manmade materials in science.

