

Polruan Academy

September 2018 Newsletter



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Welcome Back!

Welcome back to school after the holiday. I hope you managed to enjoy some of the wonderful weather that we had in Cornwall.

Over the summer we had our new boilers fitted. This will allow us to control the heating much better and allow all spaces in the school to be used for learning.

The children have settled into the new school year fantastically, they are working really hard and are looking very smart. The new school council have been chosen and are looking forward to launching the year with a Coffee Morning - More details below!

Caute have started the year with their Paddington topic and are going to be putting on a puppet show for parents and carers.

Tregeagle's topic of "A Look Inside" was inspired by the children. They have already begun learning anatomy, growing and all about the body!

Visible Learning

This year, we are again continuing with the Visible Learning approach. This is a long-term programme that is being carried out amongst all Bridge Schools and will help promote a shared language of learning across the schools. This year, as a school we are looking at embedding a shared language of learning to allow the children to understand how they can learn at Polruan. We will also be working as a team to give feedback to children that allows them to move their learning on.

Reception

It is wonderful to see our new reception and preschool children settling into school so well. We have also been able to welcome 7 new children to the school since September and they have quickly become part of the Polruan family!

MacMillan Coffee Morning

On the 28th September, we will be holding a coffee morning to support MacMillan Cancer Support. From 9.30, parents and carers are invited to come into the school hall with their children to enjoy a slice of cake and a drink. All proceeds will be going to the charity to support their work. Any remaining cake will be on sale after school from the playground.



We would love donations of cake to help this event. If you would like to provide a cake, please could you drop it into the school office on Thursday the 28th. Thanks again for your support.

Roald Dahl Day - It was fantastic to see so many children throw themselves into Roald Dahl day. The costumes were fantastic and the learning they did was great. Special mention should go to Ms Foster as a very realistic Mrs Twit!

Attendance: Our attendance so far this half term is 89%. Can I remind you all that our school and Trust target is 96% as attendance has a huge impact in learning, progress and attainment. Thank-you for your help with improving this.

We will be looking at implementing a reward system for those classes and year groups who have the best and most improved attendance.

Uniform: The children have started the year looking really smart. Uniforms really make the school feel like a community and add to the children's sense of belonging. We will be launching a competition to promote this soon!

ParentPay

Don't forget that very soon, ParentPay will be live and parents can pay for school meals, trips etc on line. We will be unable to accept payment for things by cash

Pupil Premium

If you think your children may be eligible for Free School Meals, please fill in a form from the school office or from www.goo.gl/fy32zN We would encourage all parents and carers to complete the form as it can really help school support the children.

Thank-you once again for all the support you continue to give the school. It is because of this that our school has such a friendly, community spirit and is such a lovely place to work and teach. - Mr Whipps