

# Tintagel Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers

The purpose of this Newsletter is really to give parents a round-up of all the up and coming events which will be taking place in school over the coming weeks as the pace picks up until the end of term. This is always such a busy time with so many rites of passage for the children that we want to make it as memorable and enjoyable as possible.



We should perhaps start with a reminder that the end of KS2 SATs will take place the week commencing the 14<sup>th</sup> May. Please see the timetable of assessments below. We would like to reassure all parents that these tests will be conducted sensitively with a great deal of care and nurture around the children. They are really well-prepared and are taking each challenge in their stride so we know they are ready to do their best – which is all that we would ask of them. Please use the remaining few days to relax, perhaps dip into the revision books to address any gaps so that they feel confident, and above all, keep a balance between any test preparation and 'free time'. We will be available to support them with any last minute concerns. If for any reason, you think that your child is going to be late/unable to attend on any of the test days, please ring the office as soon as possible in the morning so that we can find a solution.

## **SATs Timetable 2018**

Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Paper 1 – 45 min <i>BREAK</i> Spellings Paper 2
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Reading Paper 1 hour
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Arithmetic Paper 1 30 minutes <i>BREAK</i> Reasoning Paper 2 40 min
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Reasoning Paper 3 40 min

\*All tests will take place in the morning. There will be a breakfast club available to all Y6 children from 8:30am. This will be an opportunity for you to come in and eat with your friends whilst revising/going over any areas you wish to practise.

Similarly – the statutory testing period for Year 2 children will begin the week of 21<sup>st</sup> May. Again, in order to ensure that the children do not feel under pressure, these assessments will be conducted sensitively in small groups - or even 1:1 if required. The results will be used to corroborate our Teacher Assessments and will inform the final attainment/progress measures for the school year. These will be shared with you in your child's end of year report.

### **Royal Shakespeare Company Workshops**

This is a fantastic enrichment opportunity for some of our children who have shown a particular talent in drama and performance in KS2. There will be a sequence of workshops afterschool run by Mrs Murray from Delabole, culminating in technical rehearsals and a short performance of an extract of Macbeth in Falmouth on the 15<sup>th</sup> June. Parents will be



4<sup>th</sup> May 2018

invited to attend the evening performance. This opportunity has come our way as part of our affiliation to Treviglas School as part of the Royal Shakespeare Company's schools project. There is no charge to parents and children will be selected individually. Parents will be contacted by letter.

### **Year 3 Trip To The Minack 13<sup>th</sup> June**

Having now been part of the Aspire Academy Trust since December, we are lucky to have been offered the opportunity to take our Yr 3 children on 'A Grand Day Out' to see a performance of Dr Dolittle at the Minack Theatre. This is such a lovely experience and a letter will follow shortly. The cost of travel will be covered by Aspire with a small cost to parents for entry into the Minack.

### **Wavehunters at Polzeath**

Each year, the pupils of Delabole and Tintagel experience a day on Polzeath beach which is supported by Wavehunters Surf School. We are delighted to announce that this opportunity will take place once again on the dates below:

- Yr 5/6 18<sup>th</sup> June and Yr 3/4 20<sup>th</sup> June TPS

### **Sports Days as part of Healthy Active Week**

This year as part of our commitment to all aspects of the health and wellbeing of all pupils, we will be running our Sports Days as part of a Healthy Active Week. During this week, much of our learning will focus on nutrition, physical activities and some emotional intelligence sessions. Dates for Sports Day are as follows.

4<sup>th</sup> July with a back up day of 5<sup>th</sup> July

This is one of the most enjoyable school community events of the year, please keep your diaries free.

### **Transition Arrangements/Fly Up Days**

We are – as always – delighted to be welcoming a new cohort of children into our Early Years class in September. In order to ensure that this hugely important milestone is as joyful and non-threatening as it can be, our EYFS team have planned a sequence of transition events which will allow children to build their confidence, whilst also helping parents to ensure their children are 'school ready'. A really important welcome and information sharing session will take place on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June 6.00 till 7.00pm at TPS.



Fly Up days for all our pupils will take place on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July when they will be able to experience learning with their new teacher and create some beautiful displays for the September classroom

### **Keeping Children Safe – RNLI Assembly**

Once again, we have recently had a really lively assembly led by representatives from the RNLI. Although the children were really entertained and enjoyed re-enacting scenarios, there was a really serious message about respecting the sea and knowing how to minimize risk. I was really impressed with the children's engagement and level of knowledge so talk to them about how to be safe on the beach. They are the experts!

**PTFA**

A big thank you to everyone for helping and making our Bingo such a success, we raised a whopping £816.

We have organised a Social evening for 22nd May from 5-8pm to have sole use of the newly built Café at St Nectan's Glen. All children, extended family and friends outside of the school are invited to attend as this will be a fun opportunity for families to meet up outside of school. This event is on a ticket only basis purchased through the school office. Tickets are heavily discounted at £6 per person or £10 for 2 which includes entry to the waterfall, a freshly made 9inch stonebaked pizza, garlic bread and squash.

Accompanying adults and siblings are free if not eating, other menu and drinks items can be ordered on the evening but will be charged at the normal prices. Pizzas ordered without a ticket will be charged at the normal price of £8.95. Children will be the responsibility of their accompanying adult. This is a ticket only event so please let Sofie know if you would like to purchase any or have any queries.

**Learning To Play an Instrument in School**

Earlier this week, we welcomed our peripatetic music provider in to school and many of the children were inspired by an assembly, showcasing the various opportunities. If your child is interested in learning to play a musical instrument in school, please contact Cornwall Music Services via the link on the flier which came home at the start of this week.

With best wishes



Sue Cox  
Head Teacher

**Diary Dates**

Wednesday 2nd May	Bingo 6:30pm at Poldark, Delabole
Wk beginning Monday 14th May	SATs week for year 6 – ensure your child is in school
Wednesday 23rd – 25th May	Year 6 Residential to Bristol
Saturday 19th May	Deli Farm Run
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	PTFA Social at St Nectan's Glen
Friday 25th May	Last day of Term 5
Monday 4th June	First day of Term 6
Friday 8th June	School Closed – Community Cohesion Day
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Class 4 Surf Lessons
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Class 3 Surf Lessons
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 3rd July	Fly Up Days
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day
Friday 20th July	Last day of Term 6