



## A STORY OF CORNWALL

All the work the children have done during this term culminated in a magnificent performance at Carnglaze Caverns on Saturday. There is another concert next Wednesday at The Royal Cornwall Museum. Below is a letter from Nick Hart.

Dear St Neot

I was really overwhelmed by the way the children sang tonight. They were fantastic! I have had so many wonderful comments from people this evening - the way the children sounded, how they looked and how they behaved. It has been a huge pleasure to learn all these songs together and to have such a great group of children to sing them - for the first time in the whole history of Cornwall! Thank you so much.

Massive thanks to all the staff for such commitment to this project - I hope it has been of good value to you educationally - I have been so impressed by the way you embraced the idea and really went for it. Outstanding support, enthusiasm and cooperation.

Best wishes, Nick



## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR OF GOVERNORS















I expect that you will all be aware of the Government's budget announcement that all schools must become academies by 2020, and that an increasing number of existing academies have formed multi-academy trusts, including many in Cornwall. The governors have already acknowledged the impetus for change, and have taken steps to look at a number of existing and planned academies and trusts so that decisions made are based on the best possible information. We are committed to ensure that any change must maintain the uniqueness and strengths of the school, must provide genuine opportunities for improvement, and is undertaken without disruption to the children's wellbeing and learning. In the meantime, the governors will work with the teaching staff to explore all options and will keep you informed along the way.

## CROSS COUNTRY

Last Friday 576 runners took part in the race at Landrake, allegedly the toughest and muddiest in Cornwall! Jack G came 19th, Edward 100th and Luke 263rd. Congratulations boys!

## PTA PAMPER EVENING AND CRAFT FAIR AT TREVENNA

We had a lovely evening at Trevenna where there were lots of opportunities to be pampered. A magnificent £565 was raised and we send our wholehearted thanks to the PTA who put in so much work to make the evening the success it was.

  
 **CONGRATULATIONS** to former pupils Ellie and Cara who   
 took part in the Cornwall Under 21s Badminton   
 Championships. Ellie took bronze in the singles and silver in   
 the doubles, while Cara came first in the singles and is now   
 ranked in the top five players in England! Both girls are now   
 going to play in English National Championships.   


**OUR THANKS** to Mr and Mrs Robinson for pruning the enormous buddleia by the gate, we're sure it will flourish this summer and attract lots of butterflies.

## UNIFORM

Can we please remind you of the school uniform code. Children should wear black/grey trousers, grey skirt/pinafore, white or blue polo shirt, school sweatshirt or cardigan. Black shoes of a sensible design, no open toed sandals or Crocs. PE Kit should be brought into school at the beginning of each half term and left in school until the last day. Long hair (male or female) should be tied back. Thank you.

## FOOTBALL


This week we played Harrowbarrow in the Small Schools League beating them 3-2. Well done team and thanks to everyone who came to support us.

**WOW**

31 Children took part in the walk this week, thank you. As the weather improves lets try to get a few more, please meet Mrs Bennett by the entrance to the park at 8.45am.

## BUILDING WORK



 As you will have seen there is now scaffolding up and a secure storage area in place ready for the new kitchen build to begin; please be assured that all the workmen have undergone the necessary safeguarding checks. We are all looking forward to having a new kitchen, especially Donna. Work should be finished by mid-May.

**SCHOOL COUNCIL**

In School Council this week we talked about playtime in the sunny weather. We would like to go on the trim trail and climbing frame again and we think it would be a good idea to put netball posts up so that we can play netball at lunchtime.

### EASTER MENU THURSDAY 24th MARCH

There will be a change of menu on 24th March. Donna will be cooking:  
Fish and Chips or Cheese and Onion Quiche and Chips  
with Baked Beans and Peas  
Easter Biscuit or Fresh Fruit Salad.

## SCHOOL APP

In an effort to improve communications we have introduced a new app service which will allow us to keep you all updated with school information, news, calendar events and contact information. If you have a smartphone (Android or iPhone) you can download OurSchoolsApp from Google Play Android or the Apple Store for FREE. Access is also available on a tablet and iPad by following the same download process.

When we update the app with new information or news about the school, a push message notification will automatically be sent to your device. You can then view the notification which will then take you directly to our app. If you do not have a smartphone you can still view the app and the information online at [www.OurSchoolsApp.com](http://www.OurSchoolsApp.com) . Please see overleaf for download information.

We have been requested by local organisations to include the community events detailed below. These events are not endorsed by St Neot School.

**PRE-SCHOOL** are hoping to extend their opening hours from September 2016 to be open from 8am to 5pm. If you or anyone you know may be interested, please call 01579 326862 or email [regan.whiteley@live.co.uk](mailto:regan.whiteley@live.co.uk)

**QUIZ NIGHT** The London Inn is holding a Quiz Night at 7.30pm on Thursday 31st March on behalf of the St Neot Historians, all proceeds going towards paying the public liability insurance which is a significant yearly cost, but allows the group to hold outdoor meetings and undertake visits to historical sites. Teams of six . £2 per person. To book a table for your team. call the London Inn on 01579 326728.

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