



GOVERNORS AND THE SCHOOL COUNCIL

The Governing Board and School Council work in tandem to make sure the school is a safe environment, well staffed and resourced. Governors make regular visits, co-ordinated with our current School Development Plan, to ensure the school is on track to meet it's targets.

Last week Peter Dukes, our Pastoral Care governor, met with the School Council and together they discussed what the school does well and what might need improving. They also discussed the UN Bill of Rights for Children and Peter gave the School Council a poster of the main points to keep. Peter was very impressed with the children's knowledge and the questions they were asking.

PARENT HELP NEEDED FOR AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

The School Council have asked for extra after school clubs to be run, including art, basketball and cookery. The staff are already fully committed so we ask if any parents would be willing to run any of these clubs for the children. If you are interested please speak to Mrs Bowden, thank you.

GOVERNOR ROLE

Our main role is to support the Headteacher and the staff – the phrase often used to describe this role is 'a critical friend'. We help them to set and reach targets and to strive for excellence across the whole spectrum of school life. The two key documents used for this are the School Development Plan (SDP) and the Self Evaluation Form (SEF). The SDP sets out a three year strategic plan for the school, with targets that everyone works towards and the SEF sets out how well the school is doing and where we aim to make improvements.

Our legal duties include:-

- setting strategic direction, policies and objectives
- approving the school budget
- reviewing progress against the school's budget and objectives
- appointing, challenging and supporting the headteacher



RESIDENTIAL VISIT MEETING 16TH OCTOBER 3.10PM

Parents of children in years 4, 5 and 6 are invited to attend the meeting next Monday, this is particularly important if you have any questions or concerns about the visit. **There will be no netball after school club.**

ROLLER SKATING DAY

All the children had a go at roller skating on Tuesday. Charlie W said 'It was fantastic because I got better as time went on', Ryan said 'I thought it was amazing but a little tricky', Emily said 'I thought it was really good, we had to hold on to each other and skate at the same time'.



EVENTS IN CHURCH

Our advent service and the Christmas play will be in Church this year. If you have any objection to your child attending could you please let us know now, thank you.

SCHOOL IN A BAG

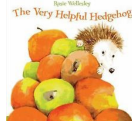
Lis Foy from the School in a Bag charity came in on Wednesday to help the children pack 38 bags to be sent overseas. Overall we raised £765 for the charity. The bags will be sent to children in the Philippines who cannot afford to access education without the help of the charity. Thank you for your support.



POPPY APPEAL

Poppies are on sale in school. Children can bring money in to school or you can come in with your child to choose which item you would like. We have bracelets, pencils, keyrings and other items, as well as traditional paper poppies. We suggest a donation of £1 per item, all money raised goes to the British Legion's poppy appeal.

NURSERY NEWS



The letter sound next week is 's'. The book of the week is 'The Very Helpful Hedgehog'. Show and Tell items related to Autumn on Thursday and Friday only please. We had a lovely Autumn walk in the village yesterday, seeing the trees changing colour and scrunching through leaves

HOMEWORK

From after half term homework will be given out on a Friday to be returned by the following Thursday please. Spelling and times tables tests will be on a Thursday. Please support your child by helping them complete their homework on time, thank you,

YEAR 6 PARENTS APPLICATION DEADLINE

Don't forget that the deadline for applications for secondary school is Tuesday 31st October. Please make sure you apply in plenty of time to give your child the best opportunity to go to their first choice school.

VISIT BY MP

Sheryll Murray MP said "I was pleased to visit such a fantastic school for World Milk Day and as a member of the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee I was very impressed with the knowledge the children had of the dairy industry which surrounds them in South East Cornwall. Their parents should be very proud of them."

OPERATION ENCOMPASS

You should have received a letter this week explaining about the school's involvement with Operation Encompass. The school is proud of it's safeguarding ethos and we welcome this new initiative.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

All after school clubs will continue as they are after half term with the exception of archery which will continue with a new group. If youR child would like to join archery club please complete and return the slip below. Archery is on Thursdays for children in Y1-2. All clubs will finish the week beginning 4th December.

Name of Child _____

My child would like to take part in archery after school club.