



**GLOBAL DAY-GLADYS AYLWARD, HUMPREY DAVY AND RICHARD TREVITHICK**

Before half term we had a day learning about the people after whom our teams are named.

Miss Crawford's group looked at the life of Gladys Aylward and her association with the school, including looking at some items that she gave to the school. The children also made Chinese dragons and did a dragon dance.

Mrs Bunt's group learned about Humphrey Davy and the importance of the invention of the safety lamp. They learned about the fire triangle and made replica Davy lamps.

Mrs Martin's group learned about Richard Trevithick and his first engine. They made replicas of the stained glass window in Westminster Abbey that is dedicated to him and sang 'Going Up Cambourne Hill'.

On our next Global Day in March we will be studying books from around the world.

**WELCOME**

This week we welcome Miss Donna Mee to St Neot School. Miss Mee will be teaching in Loveny Class whilst Mrs Gouge is on maternity leave.

**NURSERY NEWS**

The letter of the week next week is 'a' and we will be reading 'On Friday Something Funny Happened'.

For World Book Day on Thursday 5th March please could children come to Nursery dressed as a character from their favourite book.

Parent Consultation times are in the foyer.

**WORLD BOOK DAY**

World Book Day is on Thursday 5th March and we ask children to come to school as a character from myths and legends. This can be fairies, unicorns, wizards, Cyclops, dragons, just let your imagination run wild. It would be lovely if children could bring the book that their character is from with them to share with everyone in assembly.

**NON-UNIFORM DAY FRIDAY 20TH MARCH**

On Friday 20th March we ask children not to wear school uniform and to bring in an Easter treat for this year's Easter raffle. The raffle will be held on Thursday 26th March at the Easter Assembly.

**NEW GARDEN TOOLS**

Our thanks to Dartmoor Prison Service who have donated some lovely refurbished garden tools to the school.



**PANCAKE DAY**

On Tuesday all the children took a turn at making and eating pancakes. There were assorted toppings and the pancakes were delicious. Huge thanks to Mrs Strang and Mrs Tandy from St Neot Church who gave up their mornings to help the children.



**100 CLUB**

February's draw took place this morning and the winning number was 42.

The prize amount was £32.50, and the same amount went to school funds. Thank you for all your support, there are still tickets available. If you would like to buy some before next month's draw forms are available from the office and the cost will be £5 for the remaining 5 draws up to July.

**UNIFORM REMINDER**

Please remember to name **ALL** your child's clothing. We frequently get instances of lost items of clothing which can't be identified. This week we have found two jumpers without names.

**SPARE CLOTHES**

Children sometimes have spills at school and we change them into clean clothes. However, we are running out of spares as these are not being returned. If you have any of our clothes at home could you please make sure they are clean and return them asap, particularly socks and pants, thank you.

**COVID-19 - Information for Parents and Carers**

The school has received advice from the Department for Education, the NHS, Public Health England and the National Institute of Clinical Excellence. The following advice will be shared in school, but you may wish to re-emphasise the importance. The best way to prevent infection is to avoid being exposed to the virus and there are general principles anyone can follow to help prevent the spread of respiratory viruses, including:

- ☐ washing your hands often - with soap and water, or use alcohol sanitiser if handwashing facilities are not available - this is particularly important after taking public transport;
- ☐ covering your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throwing the tissue in a bin, or where tissues are not available, coughing/sneezing into the inside of your elbow (rather than into your hands);
- ☐ people who feel unwell should stay at home and should not attend work or any education or childcare setting;
- ☐ use hand sanitiser that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available;
- ☐ avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands;
- ☐ avoid close contact with people who are unwell;
- ☐ clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces;

◇ if you are worried about your symptoms or those of a child or colleague, please call NHS 111 - do not go directly to your GP or other healthcare environment;

◇ face masks for the general public, students or staff are not recommended to protect from infection as there is no evidence of benefit from their use outside healthcare environments.

From all of the expert advice we have been given, there is no need for panic or alarm, but I am sure you will appreciate that it is sensible for us to take precautions, remain vigilant and be prepared in order to safeguard our learning community

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

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY** St Neot Carnival Royalty choosing. At St Neot School on Friday 24th April 5.15pm. More details to follow.

**JUNIOR BAKE OFF** We are looking for young budding bakers between **9 -15 years old**. Filming would take place from July 2020, but our **applications close on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2020**. Interested bakers can apply online at - [WWW.APPLYFORJUNIORBAKEOFF.CO.UK](http://WWW.APPLYFORJUNIORBAKEOFF.CO.UK).