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"A happy learning environment for all" Thursday 11th February 2016

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# FOWEY CLASS BALL

The children and staff had a wonderful time at this week's ball and they all looked very smart. Many thanks to Mrs Libby who came in to school to teach the children ballroom dancing, to Donna for cooking the delicious 3 course meal, and to Route 38 for donating the food for the meal.

## **ARENA FOOTBALL LEAGUE**

With 8 games played and 4 left to play we are standing 5th out of 14 schools, but are only 2 points behind the leader. This is a fantastic effort by our team and special thanks must go to Bobby Hopkinson from Plymouth Argyle. The children's footballing skills and confidence have grown enormously since having this training, which has been funded by PE and Sports Premium

money.



ST PIRAN'S DAY MENU

On Thursday 3rd March Donna will be cooking a special menu to celebrate St Piran's Day. The choices are: Steak Pasty or Cheese and Onion Pasty

## **CROSS COUNTRY**

As you know some of our boys have been taking part in local Cross Country races. This week we have received photos which are

now on our website under the events heading. This is what one parent said: 'I'm so proud of them, they put in every ounce of effort despite the cold wind and rain. They're often shivering when left at the start line for



ages before starting but their enthusiasm and team spirit when supporting each other is fantastic to see .' Four boys took part in the race at Lanhydrock last Friday: Brannon finished 34th, Jack G 25th, Edward 47th and Luke 91st. Congratulations boys.

# **GLOBAL AWARENESS DAY**

We were delighted to welcome Daya back to school today who taught the children about Indian Culture. All the children watched a clip of how people worship in the Gurdwara, then they dressed in Indian clothes and acted it out. Dewey Class also did some cooking making chapattis to eat with a curry that Daya had made in advance.

Mrs Martin's group were learning about hope using the quote from Helen Keller 'Keep your face to the sunshine and you cannot see the shadow. It's what sunflowers do.' They learned about symbols for hope around the world and reasons for hope; it makes you a stronger person; you help and encourage others; you will accomplish more in life.

Miss Worth 's group used ICT to play an interactive game to find the parts of a flower and then created a labelled picture. They each planted a bulb, and created a Calla lily picture using cotton buds and cotton pads.

## PARENTS GUIDE TO GRAMMAR

We have added a parent's guide to grammar to our website. You can find it at http://www.st-neot.cornwall.sch.uk/web/parents\_guide\_to\_grammar

#### **READING AT HOME**

This week our focus for reading is identifying and improving verbs. Please could you give an example of this in their reading record .

## **ROAD SAFETY**

Please be aware of moving cars in the staff car park. Children must use the pavement at all times and cross on the brick crossing. Can we also ask that you park considerately at the beginning and end of the school day, avoiding parking on the yellow lines, near the bend by the church, and leaving



neighbours drives clear. Thank you. WALKING WEDNESDAY-WOW!

To help improve the children's awareness of healthy lifestyles we will be starting Walking Wednesday from 24th February. Please park in the village car park and bring your child to the entrance of the park where Mrs Bennett will be waiting to walk all the children up to the school.

## WORLD BOOK DAY

On Thursday 3rd March we will be celebrating World Book Day. This is an opportunity for pupils to dress as their favourite book character. A donation of £1 will go to books for the school library.

## **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

After school clubs will continue after half term finishing the week beginning 7th March. Badminton will continue for 6 sessions. Riverside After School Club will continue as usual.

#### **SPARE UNIFORM**



We keep a stock of spare uniform in school in case of accidents but this is often not returned. If you have any at home or if you have anything clothing, including socks, that you can spare, we would be very grateful.

DON'T FORGET that the school is closed for staff training tomorrow, 12th February and Half Term is Monday 15th-Friday 19th February. We wish you all a very happy holiday and will see you on Monday 22nd February.

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

HALF TERM ACTIVITIES "If you're looking for ideas of how to entertain the children this February half term, take a look at the Liskeard Information Centre's website. There's a whole page featuring child friendly half term events in and around the Liskeard area. Just visit the following http:// www.visitliskeard.co.uk/february-half-term-events/ link for lots of fun both indoor and out.'