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Headteacher's Update

Good afternoon,

Firstly, a Happy New Year to those of you I haven't yet seen. The children have returned to school refreshed and have made a wonderful start with their learning this term. We have a jam packed newsletter for you this week with everything from updates to goodbyes and everything in between.

It was wonderful to see our Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 children able to represent the school once again on Wednesday afternoon at the cross-country event held at Bodmin College. All of the children came into school on Thursday morning with bags of pride but very sore legs having run their socks off. They all achieved a personal result to be proud of and we look forward to future events soon.

Our wide range of clubs started this week. I was particularly pleased to see a large number of Rec, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 children take up the opportunity of football club with Jack on Thursday afternoon. I know Jack was thrilled with the effort of all of the children! Football Club and Balance Bike Club are now full but there are still plenty of spaces in the other clubs.

A quick prompt to look out for the 'Garden Update' in this newsletter - we would all be extremely grateful if you could support in anyway. Thank you in advance and have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Mr D Jones
Headteacher

Sad Goodbye from Mrs Pemberton / Miss Grantham!

Having undergone three gruelling interviews, I have been offered what, for me, is the job opportunity of a lifetime: as a band leader for Rocksteady.

It has been a difficult decision, as it has been my huge privilege and pleasure to have taught almost every pupil in this school, and to have been able to work along-side all the parents, guardians and grandparents at this school. There has been much laughter, and yes, a few tears, but until now these have mostly been the children's! I will really miss you all, and treasure the memories I have made here.

Citizens Advice Newsletter

<https://www.citizensadvicecornwall.org.uk/citizens-winter-2022-newsletter/>

In this edition, we focus on how people can save on their energy bills while still keeping warm, how to avoid environmental scams and the work of our new project to help new vulnerable tenants understand their rights and responsibilities and budget to pay their rent.

School Value Awards

During our weekly virtual assemblies, we find the time to talk about our school values and British Values. This half term, we are looking into collaboration (school value) and democracy (British Value). Each class teacher chooses a child from each year who has demonstrated these values over the previous week. The names who were awarded over the two previous week are below. Well done!

	w/b 3 rd January	w/b 10 th January
Rec	Ezra	Seren
Year 1	Jennifer	Jowan W
Year 2	Evie	Grace B
Year 3	William & Toby	Olivia
Year 4	Florence	Ellouise
Year 5	Alex	Milo
Year 6	Daniel	Liam



Class Updates

Each fortnight, we will now be bringing you a quick update on what learning has been and will be taking place in the classroom. See below for our first update. We hope that this feature will prompt discussion at home.

Hedgehog Class

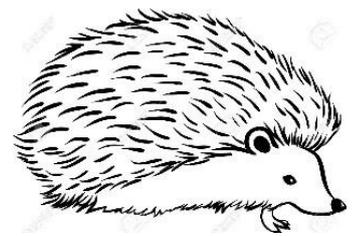
- This fortnight, as authors we have enjoyed learning The Magic Porridge Pot and as scientists we are studying plants - more specifically, how potatoes grow.
- Over the next fortnight, as artists we will make paper sculptures, as performers Year 1 will be moving creatively and as athletes, Reception and Nursery will be using balance bikes.

Squirrel Class

- This fortnight, as scientists we have investigated uses of everyday materials and as readers we have explored our new story map.
- Over the next fortnight, as performers we will be dancing creatively and as geographers, we will be discovering where food comes from.

Fox Class

- This fortnight, as writers children have been learning their new text map and as geographers they have studied the 'Blue Planet'.
- Over the next fortnight, as linguists will learn how to say the date in French and as theologians children will learn about the Hindu faith in R.E.



What do you think?

We are looking for ways of improving communication between home and school, and are interested to know what you would like to see added to the school newsletter - so if you have any ideas of what you would like to see added to the newsletters please do let me know via an email to: head@cardinham.cornwall.sch.uk or tell me when you next see me at the gate!

COVID-19 Update

From Monday 17 January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6. The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be [reported to NHS Test and Trace](#).

If the result of either of their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

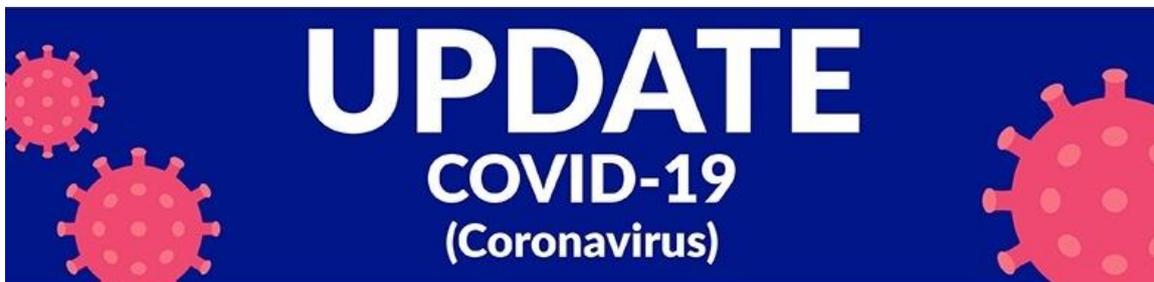
Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

Further [information on self-isolation for those with COVID-19](#) is available here.

Confirmatory PCR tests following a positive lateral flow device (LFD) test result are to be temporarily suspended from Tuesday 11 January. This will mean that anyone who receives a positive LFD test result will be required to self-isolate immediately and will not be required to take a confirmatory PCR test.

LFD tests are to be used by people without COVID-19 symptoms. Anyone who has one of the core symptoms of COVID-19 - a high temperature, a new, continuous cough or a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste - should self-isolate and take a PCR test. They must self-isolate if they get a positive test result, even if they have had a recent negative lateral flow test - these rules have not changed.

More information can be found here <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/people-with-a-positive-lateral-flow-test-no-longer-required-to-take-confirmatory-pcr-test>



Music Tuition

If you wish for your child(ren) to continue/start music singing, piano or keyboard tuition in school, please express your interest on the link below. We will then be in contact with the Cornwall Music Service Trust and make arrangements depending on the interest. Thank you.

[Sign up for Lessons – Cornwall Music Service Trust](#)



CORNWALL MUSIC SERVICE TRUST

Thank You

A huge thank you to Oscar and his mum who donated a wide range of high quality books for our school library. The children and staff are extremely grateful and look forward to delving into them.



Garden Update

The garden space up at the main school building at Cardinham Primary School are not currently being used to their full potential. It is important to maximise the area to benefit our children's learning.

We would like to develop this area into a space that can be accessed and used year-round and provide a range of experiences, including the provision of a sensory garden where pupils can touch, taste and smell the plants and investigate the wildlife that it attracts. With the addition of a space to grow fruit and vegetables, we believe we can create a space which will enrich our pupils' learning and expand their understanding of the natural world on their doorsteps. Furthermore, we aim to provide a space for play - to make dens, or to sit quietly, or for teachers to hold outdoor lessons.

To achieve this, we would really appreciate any help that you feel you might be able to give us:

- Do you have any expertise with garden design or plants that you could offer?
- Could you donate some time to help with the building, digging and groundworks?
- Do you have equipment, tools or machinery that might help?
- Could you donate plants or construction materials?
- Could you help us fundraise?

We really would appreciate any help and ideas that you have to offer and we feel that this would be a great project to bring the school, village and gardening club community together.

Senior Administration Officer Vacancy at Cardinham School

Cardinham School are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic and motivated person to join our friendly school. As a senior administration officer, you will undertake a number of administration, financial and health & safety tasks within our school and work closely with our wider academy team. You will be the first contact for all visitors and telephone callers to the school and will have experience in a similar role.

Click on the link for more information: [Cardinham School - Senior Administration Officer - Truro & Penwith Academy Trust \(tpacademytrust.org\)](https://tpacademytrust.org) .

If you have any questions about the role, please contact David Jones, Headteacher, via the school's telephone number or via head@cardinham.cornwall.sch.uk.

Sports Report

On Wednesday 12th January 2022, Cardinham School were invited to go to Bodmin College for a cross-country event. Thirteen children attended: Melody, Liam, Charlie, Shea, Matilda, Ellen, Louise, Rowen, Florence, Ellouise, Oscar, Lily-Anne and Leo.

The first race was the Year 4 girls. The girls stuck together for the majority of the race with Ellouise finishing fourth, Florence fifth and Lily-Anne eighth. The next race was the Year 4 boys: Oscar finished eleventh and Leo seventh. They both ran like the wind. The third race was the Year 5 girls. The girls ran so fast that we couldn't see them; Matilda ended up finished second, Louise fourth, Ellen sixth. After that, it was time for the Year 5 boys to shine. It was only Rowen, who finished tenth, but he ran his own race and did amazingly. Even though, the Year 6 girls and Year 6 boys were supposed to run separately, because of limited daylight, they all rang together. Melody collected a first for the girls and the Year 6 boys were determined to beat a sporting rival from another school. Liam collected a third place, Charlie a fifth and Shea a ninth. The best news is that Liam's final sprint meant he overtook the rival. Miss Hepworth and Miss Pickett felt like proud parents because we worked so hard. Thank you to them both for giving us all the opportunity to represent our school.

Written by Year 6



Diary Dates: Cardinham School	
Mon 21 st Feb to Fri 25 th Feb	Half Term
Fri 8 th Apr	Spring Term Ends
Mon 25 th Apr	Summer Term Begins. Children Return to School.
Mon 2 nd May	May Day Bank Holiday
w/b 9 th May	KS2 SATs Week
Mon 30 th May to Fri 3 rd June	Half Term
Fri 10 th June	INSET DAY
Fri 22 nd July	Summer Term Ends
Mon 25 th July	INSET DAY
Tues 26 th July	School Closed: Platinum Bank Holiday Allocated Day