

# Blackwater Newsletter



Friday 11th October 2019

ISSUE 3

## Attendance

W.B: 30th September 2019

Wheal Friendly	94%
Wheal Harmony	98%
Wheal Busy	95%
Wheal Luna	90%

W.B: 7th October 2019

Wheal Friendly	97%
Wheal Harmony	94%
Wheal Busy	96%
Wheal Luna	97%

The best attending class gets the 'Attendance Monkey' for the week!

Dear Parents and children,

The weather has finally turned and we can now all embrace Autumn in its splendour. Our children continue to explore the outdoors in all weathers, giving them the opportunity to play with all age groups.

As a staff, we have been concentrating on ensuring we are giving the children as many opportunities as possible. From the wider amount of clubs, fencing and archery, weekly forest school, music and dance lessons for some classes and finally our Fun Friday sessions.

The children's positive behaviour for learning is growing every day as they are keen to reap the rewards and experiences we are offering them. Our school is calm, happy and the children are ready to learn. It is a wonderful school to teach, learn and work in.

As Parents Evening is upon us next week, please fill out a parent's survey. Any feedback or possible development ideas would be greatly received.

Finally I would like to let you know that we are now starting to move forward to improve and fix the play area at the bottom of the field. A letter will be going out to parents and children next week asking for ideas of how we can develop the space.

Thank you

Mrs Evison

## New School Council News

The children have spoken!

They would like a wider variety of snacks on offer at break time.

From next week onwards (Tues-Thurs) **Rustic Cakes** will be supplying us with homemade goodies on a weekly basis.

On top of this, Jack and Tyler have bought additional snacks including rice cakes, yogurt bars, yo yo bears and so on for the children to choose.

**Well done children!**

## Clubs

3:15pm - 4:15pm

**Monday** - Dance (Y3-6)

**Tuesday**—STEM (Y3-6)

**Tuesday**—STEM (YR-2)

**Tuesday**—Well-being Club (All)

**Wednesday** - Football (All)

**Thursday** - Cross Country (Y2-6)

**Thursday** - Eco Club

## Dates for the diary

**15th - 17th October** - Parents Evening

**17th October** - Whole School Cross Country Race

**19th October** - HALF TERM

**29th October** - Children back in school

**31st October** - School Photos

**7th Nov** - Winter Disco

**6th Dec** - Christmas Fayre

# CLASS UPDATE



## Wheal Friendly

Our EYFS children have been especially busy this week learning about Autumn. They have been on an Autumn walk and created beautiful Autumn poetry. The children are well on the way to learning all of the initial sounds and have even experienced Celebration Assembly on Fridays. Good work, children!

## Wheal Harmony

Our Year 1 and 2 children are settling down well to the new routine. They are loving their topic on transport and have already had: a tractor, a motorbike and a skateboarder to visit. Ms. Shuttleworth has grand plans for more visitors to come! We have particularly been impressed with their maths over the last two weeks, they are really getting to grips with understanding place value and show it in a variety of ways.

## Wheal Busy

Our Year 3 and 4 children are becoming more independent everyday. Their topic of the 'Hidden Chimp' is giving them a more in depth understanding of how the brain works and how we can support our emotions. We had a visit from Mr. Twomey and are learning to look after ourselves physically. This relates to our Science learning in which we have learnt about the human body.

## Wheal Luna

Our older children are taking on more responsibilities from supporting the younger children to organise themselves at lunchtime. Their topic on World at War has brought about exciting writing and plenty of code breaking and art activities. Next week we will be teaching children to march—so encourage them to "fall in" at every opportunity!



When life gives you rain,  
jump in the puddles.

**The Red Lion are collecting donations for this worthy cause:**

### Shoobox Appeal - for Dogs!

**This Christmas, why not fill a shoebox for a rescue dog?**

At Christmas time, many rescues are flooded with unwanted dogs and puppies. They arrive with absolutely nothing - no collar, no toys, no food, and no loving home.

We are filling shoeboxes to give to these dogs, so that they can have a good Christmas.

Both filled boxes and individual items to make up boxes are welcome - all donations are gratefully received, by us and the dogs!

If you would like to help, we are looking for the following items;

Treats (no rawhide)  
Toys - balls, rope toys, kongs  
Collars and Leads  
Food (no Bakers)  
Poop bags  
Shampoo  
Blankets



**Please take items to;**

The Dog House  
18 Church St  
Helston  
TR13 8TG  
07986047124  
tues-sat 10:00 - 5:30

Cornish Paws Veterinary Practice  
Kernick road, Penryn  
TR10 8NT  
01326 450900  
mon-fri 8:30-6:00  
sat 8:30-midday



Donations ideally received by 14th December, but any after this date will still get to the dogs!



## Autumn Term Dates

Please keep an eye out on our Facebook page and new eSchools app for dates. We are trying our hardest to keep you informed.



## F.O.B.s NEWS

We are in full swing of organising some super events for the Autumn term. Please add these to your diary:

**Winter Disco - Thursday 7th November**

EYFS and KS1: 3:30pm - 4:30pm      KS2: 4:30pm - 5:30pm

**Next F.O.B.s meeting - Tuesday 12th November**

6:30pm at the Red Lion, Blackwater - new members always welcome!

**Non-uniform day - Friday 22nd November**

**Christmas Fayre - Friday 6th December**

3:15pm - 5:00pm

More details to come for all of these events

### School Communication

Thank you to all those parents who have already signed up to our new eSchools APP.



In the coming weeks we will be using this as our main form of communication to send texts, letters and calendar dates.

You will also be able to monitor your child's attendance on this app.

Please remember to  
book your Parents  
Evening slots on  
eSchools.



### Annual Nasal Flu Vaccination

Just a gentle reminder that your child's annual flu vaccination is now due. You would have received a letter in the last month regarding how to sign up online. All children from Reception to Year 6 are eligible so please take this opportunity to make sure your child stays healthy over the winter months.



W.B.  
30th Sept

#### Learners of the Week

Wheal Friendly: Bodhi  
Wheal Harmony: Archie S  
Wheal Busy: Harley G  
Wheal Luna: Evan M

#### Citizens of the Week

Wheal Friendly: Oscar B  
Wheal Harmony: Emily S  
Wheal Busy: Sophie E  
Wheal Luna: Amelie B



W.B.  
7th Oct

#### Learners of the Week

Wheal Friendly: Rowan W  
Wheal Harmony: Esme A  
Wheal Busy: Tommy  
Wheal Luna: Jack M

#### Citizens of the Week

Wheal Friendly: Izzy H  
Wheal Harmony: Travis G  
Wheal Busy: William R  
Wheal Luna: Amy TK

Well done to these children for showing excellent behaviour and learning attitudes. We are proud of you! We hope you enjoy your: certificate, lanyard to wear for the week, seat on the star table and a hot chocolate on Monday with Mrs. Evison!

#### Letters home

Harvest Festival letter  
Health Questionnaire  
Y5 Music letter

#### Term Time Absence

From half term, we are introducing a term time absence form for parents to fill in. This is to make sure that we have the right information about why you are taking your child out of school.

As you'll be aware, the Government expectation for child's attendance is 96% so we hope to work closely with you to ensure your children maintain the best possible education.

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." – Dr. Seuss

