NEWSLETTER

Flushing C of E Primary School



WEEK COMMENCING: 17th January 2025





We have had a busy week of music and sport here in school. We were very proud of Seals and Dolphins today as they represented the school at the Penryn College Athletics competition. Both came away with gold medals but more importantly, worked as teams and showed great sportsmanship. Seals and Dolphins have also begun weekly ukelele lessons with Genevieve this term. It is a joy to see their excitement and enjoyment of the lessons.

MULTI SKILLS

This morning Seals class went to a multi skills event at Penryn College. We took part in racing, javelin, jumping to name a few things. We had a great time and we WON! Now we go through to the Bodmin Finals later in the year. By Dora.



"Nourishing to flourish in our world."

ATTENDANCE



Regular school attendance is so very important for our children. Not only do days missed mean they miss out on learning but also on that crucial time socialising with their friends. We recognise that there are times when a child is too ill to attend school and when this is the case, please phone the school office before 8:45 to let us know. Children are expected to be in school at 8:45 each day. Registers are taken at 8:50 and children arriving between 8:50 and 9 are marked at late. Children arriving after this time will be recorded as an unauthorised absence. Here at Flushing School, we recognise that there are occasions when it is appropriate to authorise an absence, such as when a pupil is genuinely too ill to attend school. However, the Government does not support parents taking children out of school unless the school agrees this is appropriate under 'exceptional circumstances'. Any

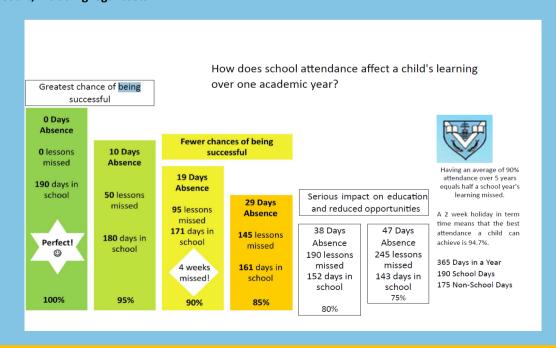
request for leave should be made in writing to the Headteacher using the school's 'Leave of Absence Exceptional Circumstances' request form (found in reception) Holidays during term time are not deemed an 'exceptional circumstance' If you are finding attendance a challenging issue for your child, please get in contact with us.

If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £80 if paid within 21 days or £160 if paid after this but within 28 days.

If your child is further absent from school without authorisation within any 3- year period, you will be committing a further offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices for a second offence are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £160, payable within 28 days.

Importantly, fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action such as a parenting order or prosecution will be considered.

Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may also result in legal action. If you are prosecuted and attend court because your child has not been attending school, you could get a fine of up to £2,500. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs. Absence not authorised by the school may also result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Again, Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.



DIARY DATES



Wednesday 22nd January—Jellyfish class trip to the Zoo.

Thursday 23rd January—Governors Meeting—Quality of Education at 4p.m.

Friday 24th January—Year 5/6 Safer Futures

Thursday 30th January—Resources Governors Meeting at 4p.m.

Friday 1st February—Girls Football—Year 3/4 and 5/6

Monday 10th February—Flushing Panto afternoon

Tuesday 11th February—Safer Internet Day

Friday 14th February—Cross Country years 4,5 and 6

17th—21st February—Half term

Thursday 27th February—Full Governor Meeting at 4p.m.

Wednesday 5th March—Dolphins at Maritime Museum and Art Gallery—more details nearer the time.

Thursday 6th March—World Book Day

Friday 7th March—Athletics Finals year 3/4 and 5/6

Monday 10th March—Parents Evening

Tuesday 11th March—Parents Evening

Friday 21st March—Basket Ball

Thursday 3rd April—Easter Service pm

Friday 4th April—Inset Day school closed to children—Staff First Aid training.

Monday 7th April—Monday 21st Easter Holidays

Tuesday 22nd April—First day of summer term.



WANTED—CABLE DRUMS

We are looking to enhance our outdoor area, does anyone know where we can obtain a couple of large cable drums as shown below. Please contact the office if you can help or know of anyone that can help us.









During worship this term we are revisiting our school values and this week we thought about our value of Friendship. We listened to stories about the value and I launched a competition to design a new logo for the value of Friendship. Below are some ideas I shared with the children to inspire them.

Our governors will choose the winning design and the winner will see their design used around the school as well as the website and on our school paperwork. There will also be a small prize.

I am really looking forward to seeing what the children come up with!





STARLITE PRESENT



THE

MUSICAL



BALL



An evening of song and dance from much loved Stage and Movie Musical

Wednesday 22nd January
Thursday 23rd January
Friday 24th January

The Poly - Falmouth
7:30pm





