



Monday 2nd March 2020 Newsletter



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Dates for your Diary.

Wednesday 4th March ~ Snuggledown - 4.45pm - 5.45pm

Thursday 5th March ~ 'Tales from the Trees' performance- Cost £2 can be paid using Scopay

Friday 6th March ~ World Book Day - dress up as your favourite book character

Monday 9th - Friday 13th March ~ STEM Week and Sports Relief Week

Monday 9th March ~ The Cornish Caretaker Performance- All children- no cost involved.

Tuesday 10th March ~ Children in year 3,4,5,6 to Visit the Spacedome at Penponds school.

Tuesday 17th March ~ Reception parents Read, Write, Inc. talk @ 9am

Wednesday 18th March ~ Oak class trip to the National Maritime Museum

Sunday 22nd ~ Mothering Sunday Service at Troon Methodist Chapel 10.30am- All Welcome

Wednesday 25th March ~ Year 2 Class assembly ~ 2.45pm

Thursday 26th March ~ Regal Theatre Performance 6pm start

Friday 27th March ~ Break up for Easter Holidays

Monday 30th March- Tuesday 14th April ~ Easter Holidays

Dear parents and carers,

The children have settled back into school life fantastically after their half-term break and are ready and willing to learn! Teacher's have been busy planning exciting topics and experiences for your children and I am sure you hear lots at home about the fantastic things they have been up to!

We thank you for continuing to support your child with their reading and spellings, we have had lots of positive feedback from parents in Key Stage One regarding the beautiful new reading books. It is great to see and hear about the wonderful progress from so many children. Please remember that encouraging your child to read at home is really important and helps them to become fluent and confident readers.

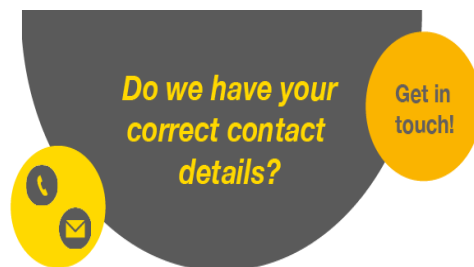
I will be meeting with the School Council in the next few weeks to discuss how we can improve the outdoor areas and make playtime more fun. Please watch this space for an update of our plans. We look forward to the next few weeks which are busy but full of exciting opportunities for the children.

Mrs Wilkins- Head of School

Contact Details

This week we will be checking all contact details held on record for your child. Please ensure all phone numbers, addresses and emails are up to date please.

Also if parents are not living at the same addresses please can these also be updated as this can cause issues when sending out information from our system.



Learning Conferences

BOOK YOUR TIME SLOT ONLINE NOW!

All parents who have a child in Reception to Year 6 are invited to attend a learning conference with their child and their child's class teacher on either the 10th or 12th March. This will be an opportunity to tour your child's learning environment and for children to discuss their learning.

You will find them in the Parents section under Learning Conferences. If you did not book an appointment via the system last year you will have to register and create a password for your account.

Just press the [blue book now button](#) and follow the instructions. Thank you.

****N.B. You will be unable to book appointments after Friday 6th March****

Don't forget
parents
evening!



If you are a Facebook user please remember to 'like' our page. We update it regularly with events and reminders of things happening in school. We also like to use it as a way of celebrating all the wonderful things your children get up to. If you have any concerns, worries, or complaints please speak to a member of staff instead of posting on Facebook. We want to keep the page a positive and happy place.

Chicken Rota

As you are aware we are the proud owners of four gorgeous chickens who are extremely well looked after by our children during school hours. We are looking for some more volunteers to help with their care over weekends and holidays as we still have lots of dates that are not covered.

If you feel you would be able to help please see Mrs Mankee who has the new care rota. Many thanks for your support.



After-School Clubs

Please remember to inform the office if your child will not be attending their club. This ensures that they are marked on the register and ensures there is no unnecessary worrying or panicking!

Please note that SATs club has now changed to Tuesday after school.

Polite Reminder

The School day starts at 8.55am and ends at 3.10pm. (Nursery 8.45 - 11.45 & 12.15 - 3.15)

Please ensure your child is here by that time and picked up promptly at the end of the day.

It is very disruptive for classes and staff when they are constantly interrupted by late arrivals. Many thanks for your co-operation with this matter.



SchoolComms - Text & Email system

I am aware that a few people have not been receiving text and emails from school recently. This is causing me a concern as lots of information gets sent this way.

I will be sending a test Text & Email to everyone on Tuesday Morning at 8am to check the system.

If you don't receive anything please pop in and see me so I can check all the details we hold for you are up to date and correct.

Snuggledown

Snuggledown will take place this year on Wednesday 4th March from 4.45pm to 5.45pm. Come back to school in your pyjamas with your favourite small teddy, a blanket and a mug for a hot chocolate and story time with your teacher and class!

World Book Day

On Friday 6th March we are celebrating World Book Day, which we love to celebrate each year.

What is happening on World Book day?

This year, we are really lucky to have been able to book Squashbox Theatre who will be presenting the show "Tales from the Trees" to the whole school during the morning of the 5th March. This show promises to help us:

"learn how to identify different trees, discover the wonder of photosynthesis, meet some friendly forest creatures and encounter crazy characters from folklore and fairy tales!"

We have been fortunate in the past to have seen other shows by Squashbox and know that this one is guaranteed to be just as entertaining.

To help pay towards the cost of the show, we are asking for a donation of £2.00 per child. **If this could be paid via scopay during the week starting Monday 2nd March, or on the day itself, we would be very grateful.** It is only with your support that we can continue to provide exciting experiences like this.

Dressing up and book day activities

Because the children in Year 3 and 4 go swimming each Thursday afternoon, we will (as we did last year) continue to celebrate World Book day on the following day, Friday 6th March. On this day your child can come to school dressed as a book character. We are encouraging everyone (staff included) to try and dress as a character from a woodland related book, or any fairy tale or folklore where possible. During this day the teaching staff will also be planning exciting book related activities for the children to take part in.

Emergency Closure

We understand that it is very difficult for working parents when the school has to close for an emergency.

We do not take the decision to close the school lightly, however the safety of the children, parents and staff are our first priority.

If there is bad weather please listen to either Pirate FM, Radio Cornwall or Heart FM in the morning for the latest updates or follow us on Facebook. We also remotely update our website whenever possible so it is always worth a check on our homepage: www.troon.cornwall.sch.uk.

We will also inform parents through our Schoolcomms service.

PLEASE ENSURE YOU INFORM THE SCHOOL OF ANY CONTACT NUMBER CHANGES AS SOON AS THEY HAPPEN

Rainbow MAT Rugby Festival

On Monday the reception children from Troon School attended an Early Years Mini-Rugby festival at St Meriadoc Infants.

They took part in a range of skill-based games and activities, including ball skills and dodging techniques. Lots of fun was had by all! Not only did the children demonstrate great sportsmanship skills but their behaviour was exemplary.

They competed against Penponds and St Meriadoc Infants and Troon managed to score the highest number of points and brought home the bling! Fantastic job Hedgehog Class, you did an awesome job.



RAINBOW MAT TIMES TABLE CHAMPIONS!!!

We are also extremely proud of our team who went along to the junior's for a Times Table RockStars competition. They battled against children in the other Rainbow MAT schools and were so super fast at recalling their times tables that we won!!!! All the hard work and practice in school and at home has paid off. Top job! Now we need to look for a nice new trophy cabinet!

If you would like to now more about Times Table RockStars please get in touch with Mrs Askew our Maths coordinator in school.



EAT THEM TO DEFEAT THEM

This year we are taking part in a National campaign aimed at encouraging children to eat more veg. Your child came home with a pack last week and hopefully tried to eat more carrots! The campaign last's for six weeks and each week children are encouraged to try a new vegetable or eat more of a vegetable. Once the star charts are complete they can come into school and be entered into a raffle to win a children's healthy cook book!

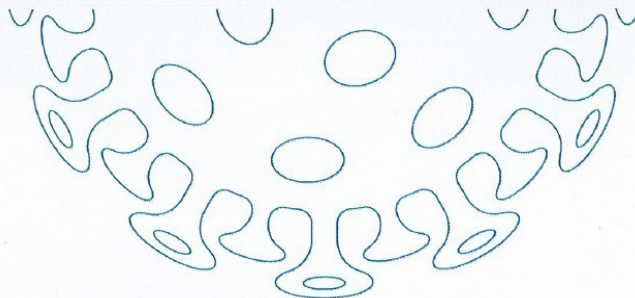
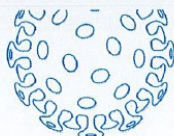


Space Dome

As part of Stem week, on Tuesday 10th March children in year's 3,4,5 and 6 will be visiting the Space Dome at Penponds school. This is during school time and children will either be back in time for lunch or go after lunch. There is no cost for this trip which we be a very valuable and enjoyable experience.



Public Health
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Advice on the coronavirus for places of education

How serious is the coronavirus?

- it can cause flu-like symptoms, including fever, cough & difficulty breathing
- the infection is not serious for most people, including children
- there is currently no vaccine
- most people get better with enough rest, water to drink and medicine for pain

How likely are you to catch the virus?

- you can only catch it if you have been close to a person who has the virus
- the chance of being in contact with the virus is currently low in the UK
- if you have travelled to areas where many people are infected, your chance of catching the virus is higher, i.e. China and any affected areas

How can you stop coronaviruses spreading?

If you need to cough or sneeze



Catch it
with a tissue



Bin it



Kill it
by washing
your hands with
soap & water or
hand sanitiser

You should wash hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser



After breaks
& sport
activities



Before
cooking
& eating



On arrival at
any childcare
or educational
setting



After using
the toilet



Before
leaving
home



Try not to touch your
eyes, nose, and mouth
with unwashed hands



Do not share items that come
into contact with your mouth
such as cups & bottles



If unwell do not share
items such as bedding,
dishes, pencils & towels



Stop germs spreading with our e-Bug resources on hand and respiratory hygiene lesson plans for KS1, 2 and 3: campaignresources.phe.gov.uk/schools

What should you do if you feel unwell?

Keep away from others and stay at home to stop the infection spreading. Avoid public transport if you think you have symptoms of coronavirus. If you become unwell at a place of education, tell a member of staff and let them know if you have travelled to any other countries in the last 14 days.

If your staff member or parent thinks you have symptoms of coronavirus, they should call **NHS 111** for advice. Follow the UK Government advice for childcare or educational settings gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19. Parents can visit **NHS.UK** to find out more information. Teachers and support staff should follow the UK Government advice.

Staff, students and pupils who have returned from Wuhan and Hubei Province in China should self isolate, and NOT attend education or work for 14 days. See **NHS.UK** for advice on coronavirus.

If there is an emergency, call 999 immediately

