

Head of School: Miss L Savage

Friday 29th November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers.

We have many things to celebrate this week including our Autumn term Aspire monitoring day which took place on Tuesday.

Karen Middlemore (Summercourt Strategic Partner), Catherine Biddick (Head of School at Mount Hawke) and Claire Jones (Summercourt Hub Councillor) visited Summercourt for the day on Tuesday to monitor our school provision and school improvement targets.

The day was extremely positive with our pupils shining out as being brilliant. I wanted to share a few positive comments with you all from the day.

Things to celebrate: (These are a few comments from the day)

- Clear progression of reading learning across the school.
- Strong behaviours for learning evident.
- Pupils meeting and exceeded expectations.
- Subject leadership confidence and knowledge of their curriculum area and whole school provision.
- Effective support from support staff.
- Comfortable/ confident Summercourt pupils, able to share their reading abilities.
- Strong triangulation of provision. (Learning walks, pupil conferencing, lead interviews all showing and evidencing the same strengths and areas to celebrate).
- Leaders are confident to share writing provision across the school. Clear approaches in place.
- Evidence of continued enhancement of provision.
- Consistent progression across the school from EYFS to year 6.
- High engagement of pupils in learning.
- Pupils ability to articulate learning and reasons behind the learning are strong.
- Passion for subjects shone through from leaders.
- Pupil engagement.
- Clear strategies for learning shared with classes.
- High level of questioning.
- High level of and appropriate pace observed.
- Adults deployed effectively.
- Active learning evident with responses to questions.

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We will be continuing to focus on four key areas this year to further enhance our Summercourt provision.

- 1. Continue to enhance reading provision across the school.
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- 3. Continue to implement Summercourt curriculum approach ensuring there is clear sequencing of coverage and effective impact for all. (Supporting retention and recall of knowledge)
- 4. Increase activity levels of pupils for physical, emotional, mental and academic development.

#### 2 Minute Foundation - Litter pick station

It was wonderful to have the 2 Minute Foundation visiting us on Wednesday this week. Please see our social media posts for more information on this. We emailed the Foundation to thank them for their visit and this was their reply;

'It was a lovely visit, and I was full of praise of the school when I got back to Bude. Happy children, friendly staff and such great enthusiasm! I'm so glad we could regift the station to such worthy recipients.'

#### **Christmas Jumper Colouring Competition**

We are taking part in the David Ball Christmas Jumper Colouring competition again this year! Entry forms have been sent home today. Please hand them back into school by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December. Good luck!

#### **Reminder: Christmas Dinner Day!**

Jenny will be cooking a delicious Christmas dinner or Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December. Please book this on ParentPay by Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Reminders will also be sent out closer to the time.

Roast Turkey and Stuffing or
Cheesy Cauliflower and Leek Puff Pastry Wreath
With Roasties, Carrots, Peas, Sprouts, Gravy and Yorkshire Pudding
The Winning Christmas Cookie Design or
Chocolate Cup Cake

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**KS1 Nativity and KS2 Christmas Show tickets** will be on sale from Tuesday. These will cost £2 per person, payable in cash only please. Tickets available from the office or send in ticket requests and money into school in a named envelope. An email with more information will be sent on Monday. Thank you

#### **Absence Reminders**

Please notify us by 8.30am if your child is going to be absent from school. This can be done via email or phone (please leave voicemail if no answer), or at the gate at 8.35am when dropping siblings to school. Please always give a reason for absence. It is parents' responsibility to cancel meals if your child is going to be absent. If your child is in KS2 and you do not cancel their meal, you may still be charged. Many thanks

#### Extra-curricular clubs- information for end of term.

All extra-curricular clubs will finish in week commencing 9<sup>th</sup> December. Year 6 booster clubs will also finish during W/C 9<sup>th</sup> Dec.

There will be no hockey club next Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> Dec. The final session will be Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Dec.

# Reminder from Aspire digital Strategy and Computing Lead Online Safety- Upcoming parent workshops: 3rd Dec and 15th Jan at 7pm

These online sessions will provide parents and carers with useful information for keeping growing families safe and healthy while accessing digital services. The presentation will explain Aspire's new collective action initiative for 2024-25, alongside simple, easy ways to set up devices to achieve a manageable and useful balance.

Presented by Giles Hill, Digital Strategy & Computing Lead for Aspire Academy Trust.

Book onto events here: https://bit.ly/35CAvhK

#### Class 2 Swimming payments.

Please make payment on ParentPay for all sessions in bulk or on the day of each session at the latest.

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### PTFA News and Events

#### Cake donations!

We would really appreciate donations of cakes/sweet treats for the Christmas Café on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December. Please could you drop these into school on the morning of the Café. For homemade cakes/sweet treats please could a list of ingredients be attached to the donation. For bought donations please keep these in their original packaging with the ingredients provided. (No nuts please). Thank you 😂

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December- Sponsored Elf Run

Tuesday 14th January 2025: Next PTFA meeting

### Thank you for supporting our PTFA!

#### Posters and Letters attached

Online Safety poster and associated documents, Christmas Activity Camps

#### Important Dates

**02.12.24-** Class 2 swimming continues. Please make payment on ParentPay

03.12.24- Online safety-parent workshop

4.12.24- RE Day

5.12.24- PTFA Elf Run

6.12.24- PTFA Christmas Craft and Café morning

6.12.24- Christmas jumper colouring competition entries due in

10.12.24- Class 4 trip to Eden Project

10.12.24- Class 2 Nativity 9.30am

**11.12.24-** Class 2 Nativity 2pm

**11.12.24**- Class 4 Pond Development Day- Class 4 pupils to wear old clothes to school, bring waterproof clothing, wellies and gardening tools if possible. If any parents are available to support on this day please contact Mrs Rusted.

**12.12.24**- Save the Children 'Christmas Jumper day' – children are welcome to wear a Christmas jumper with their uniform. Cash donations welcome for Little Harbour Children's Hospice

13.12.24- Christmas dinner day

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13.12.24-£10 payment due for whole school panto visit

16.12.24 - Class 1 Nativity 1.45pm

**16.12.24**- Rocksteady Concert 10am (for parents of Rocksteady children)

17.12.24- Whole school to see Jack and the Beanstalk at Hall for Cornwall

18.12.24- KS2 Carol Concert 2pm

19.12.24- KS2 Carol Concert 9.30am

20.12.24- Last day of Autumn term- 2pm finish- no Allsorts available

#### **INSET dates for 2024/2025**

Mon 2nd June 2025 Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Feb

We hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Miss Savage and the Summercourt Team

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