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Friday 18th January- Swimming starts Class 1, 2 & 3 Tuesday 12th February- Class 4 Bristol Parents meeting Monday 18th February-Friday 22ndFeb- HALF TERM Thursday 7th March- World Book Day Tuesday 19th March- Warbstow Fun Run- 2pm Wednesday 27th March- Whole School Vistas Friday 5th April- END OF TERM

<u>Class 4</u> Bristol residential

We will be having a parents evening on Tuesday 12th February at 3.30pm for parents of Class 4 pupils to find out information about their trip to Bristol on May 22nd-May 24th this

year. Please put the date in your diary. Class 1, have been enjoying their new travel agents, using maps to choose amazing destinations that they would like to visit. In Maths, they have been counting in 2s and 10s, and in Science they have been learning about the water cycle.

This week in Class 2, they have been learning how to write acrostic poems about the weather. During their science lesson Year two made rain in a jar, with a cloud

that produced precipitation. In art they have been looking at how different artist produce clouds. Whilst in Maths, they have been learning how to draw and present data in different graphs. On Thursday, their data became sweets, which they had to sort, and decide on the most appropriate way to record, in a graph of their choice, (they resisted the temptation to eat the sweets before completing their graphs).

Class 3 have continued to write their newspaper articles using persuasive language. In Maths, they are estimating, problem solving, and using the inverse to check answers. In Science, they have been learning about electrical safety and where electricity comes from, and how we use it.

Class 4, In Maths they have been doing rounding mentally with whole numbers and decimals. In Literacy they have been creating their own Greek story with a natural phenomenon. In Science they have managed to move water uphill using the Archimedes Screw!





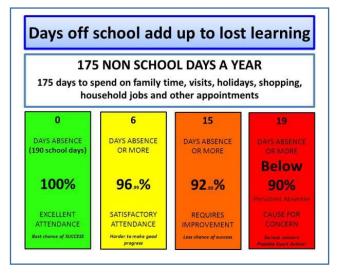
Mr Ellis Office Hours

Monday-PM Tuesday- All Day Thursday- All Day Friday- PM

Attendance

School year to date 96.3%

This is a decrease of 0.3 % from last week.



There has been a silver key found in the playground with a piece of string on it and a tag saying Conservation spares. If anyone has dropped the key please see Miss Hicks.





Thank you to all who have sent in their requests for clubs. There is still some space available in Eco, Orienteering, Sports and Samba club. Please let Miss Hicks know if your child would like to join any of these.

Choir is now bursting at the seams! Serena and Gemma agreed to increase the numbers to 25 as demand was high, however there is still a waiting list with several names on. They had a chat with the children last night about commitment to the choir, and due to the popularity, we ask that every effort is made for your child to attend each week. If your child has decided that they no longer wish to be in the choir, then please just let them know ASAP, so that the place may be offered to a child on the waiting list.

Monday	Code Club	Yr 4-6	10 spaces	Mrs Provis
Tuesday	Eco Club	R-Yr6	20 places	Mrs Harvey
Tuesday	Orienteering club	Yr 3-6	20 Places	Mr Turnham
Tuesday	Sports Club	KS1	20 places	Mr Griffith
Wednesday	Samba Drumming	Yr3-6	15 spaces	Kari Gilbert
				<u>£1 per week</u>
Thursday	Choir	Yr 3-6	20 spaces (currently full)	Gemma & Serena



This week we learnt about how to take cuttings and propagate from Succulent plants, including Sempervivum and Echeveria. We will be selling these as Valentines Gift in the shop at the end of half term, so fingers crossed they all take.

We also learnt how to make pots out of newspaper which is really useful if you have delicate plant-lets to transplant, but also a good way of recycling, once the plant has roots it can be added straight into the ground or a larger pot and the paper will rot and disappear.

Thank you to Tracy Uglow for the loan of her sempervivum plant to take cuttings from.



Garden Club Photo Competition 2019

This year we are running a monthly photo competition which is open to anyone. The photos are to represent the garden and or wildlife within it that month. It can be in the school garden or your own garden or taken whilst out and about. It must not have anyone in the picture. A winner will be picked each month and then at the end of the year we will produce a calendar which will be for sale to raise money for the school garden. Ask an adult for some help, entries are to be emailed to the school office.

There are now 3 groups for garden club, a new list is up on the notice board.

Warbstow Wonders

Γο share our children's achievements we are going to publish the names of pupils receiving special certificates This week congratulations go to:

<u>Kind & Helpful</u> Freya Cameron Matthew Ollie W

<u>99 Club</u> Olivia Oscar Amy L Oliver B Evie Ollie W Sebastian Shakiththi Emily S Matilda Lauren

Working Hard Oliver S Jago Emily S Summer



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Online Internet Safety Concerns

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to share information in order that you can keep your children safe online. Recently, I have read about the increase of possible grooming incidents on different platforms that some of the children have access to. Grooming as you know, is where children are contacted by unknown others, via "a form" of internet chat, in order to try and establish a meeting (online or in person).

This is a worrying, and real threat.

I am aware of children at school who have access to some platforms that are not age appropriate, and I strongly advise their use (both historic and current) be investigated and ultimately stopped.

Here is a list of some such platforms and their age ratings.

12 years and above- Fortnite

13 years and above- Facebook, Instagram, Pinterest, Tumbler, Reddit, Snapchat and Secret too.

16 years and above- WhatsApp

17 years and above-Vine

Although this list is by no means exhaustive, and does not address the fact that games and apps are being released daily to capitalise on the popularity of social media etc... - it does give you an idea of the extent of the increasing number of platforms out there that allow unfiltered communication.

You can of course set blocks and security measures at home when it comes to access to the internet. Downloads can be set for approval only. Settings on Youtube can be restricted to child content only. All of the above platforms contain some sort of blocking/security settings.

Keep vigilant and keep up to date! Remember to be a PLOS! (ask me on the gate!).

Kind Regards

Stuart Ellis Head of School Mrs Sarah Wickett Advisory Board Member

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