

Mr Lockett's class have learnt about the 2015 John Lewis Christmas advert 'The man on the moon' which raises awareness for Age Concern.

The class have designed and made Christmas cards which are going to be given to the elderly residents of North Hill House. Thinking of others at Christmas.



Important Dates for your diary

17th December—Eschools After School Clubs Bookings Open

18th December—Year 1 & 2 Nativity 1.30pm

19th December—Year 1 & 2 Nativity 9.15am

19th December—Year 5 Open Afternoon

19th December—Film Night (Fosha)

20th December—Christmas Lunch

20th December—Christmas Jumper Day—50p donation

20th December—Last Day of Term **2pm** Finish

Kids Club Closed 23rd December—3rd January

4th January—Start of Spring Term

4th January—Nursery CLOSED

Please check our website www.sandyhill.org.uk for all our diary events which can be found on our **calendar**.

The calendar can be found using the **eSchools** application.

For your convenience you can now view all letters that have been sent home on our website under the tab '**letters home**'.

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Stars of the Week

Nursery - Maddison Harris

YR - Ivy Goodwin

YR- Toby Ham

Y1- Jack Elphick

Y1/2 - Summer Collings

Y2 - Lottie Richardson

Y3 - Oliver Best

Y4 - Hamish Bird

Y5 - Kylan Vandermerve

Y6 - Tyler Eden Lucy Hammett



Lunch Time Stars



Year 4



Phonics word of the week



This weeks word of the week is "mature" and the pseudo word is "yurd".

We welcome parents/carers who are able to help with reading in the classrooms.

Please speak to the office if you have time to help.

Sandy Hill Academy car park is ONLY for use by staff and blue badge holders.

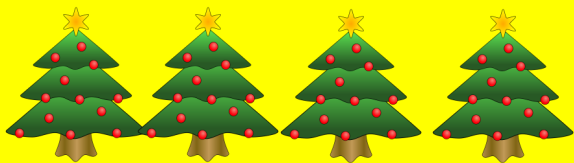
This is for the safety of the children.



Save the Children

Christmas Jumper day (Non school uniform) is Wednesday 20th December. We are asking for a 50p Donation that will be going to Save the Children and supporting Fyfe and Robinson's mum - Lisa who is trekking to Machu Picchu raising money for Save the Children.

We look forward to seeing your festive jumpers!!



Lisa raising money for Save The Children



Reading Rewards



Well done to the following children who have received their reading certificates this week —

Rocket Reader Certificate

Jake rogers

Star Reader Certificate

Harry Hickling

Cosmic Reader Certificate

Theo Davies

Well Done to the following children who have received their merit awards this week



Gold

Harry Hickling

Silver

Jacob Gale

Bronze

Lily Humphrey Brody Pickard

Online Booking for School Lunch

Week beginning
Monday 18th December

Reception, Year 1 & 2 Free
Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 £2.20

Please log on to your
parentpay account to
choose your child's
meal, even if your
child is entitled to free



Week two

6/11, 27/11, 18/12, 15/1, 5/2, 5/3, 26/3

Monday

- Super Hero Mac 'N' Cheese (V)
- Macaroni in a Cheddar Cheese Sauce with Broccoli and Crunchy Salad
- Vegetable Risotto (V)
- Vegetables with Rice, Broccoli and Crunchy Salad
- Chocolate and Mandarin Sponge with Chocolate Sauce

Tuesday

- Bangers with a Mash Mountain
- Farm Assured Pork Sausages with Creamy Mashed Potato, Gravy, Garden Peas and Carrots
- Vegebangers with Mash Mountain (V)
- Vegetarian Sausages with Creamy Mash Potato, Gravy, Garden Peas and Carrots
- Strawberry Cheesecake

Jacket Potatoes are available every day with a choice of filling

Christmas Lunch is on
Wednesday 20th Dec.

Attendance

Whole School : Week ending 15/12/2017 -96.47%

Government satisfactory attendance for a pupil is 96%.

Mrs Edyvean -96.99% Miss Bussandri- 95.93%

Mrs Bawden - 94.42% Mr Walker-97.67%

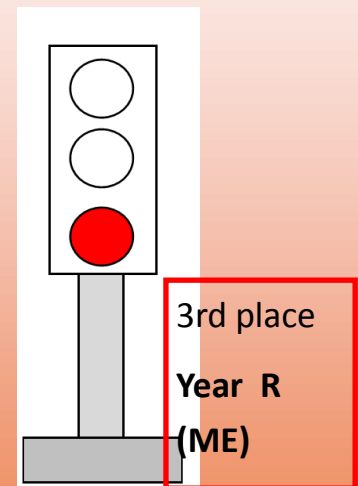
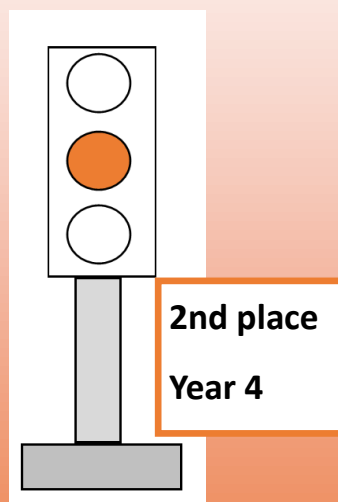
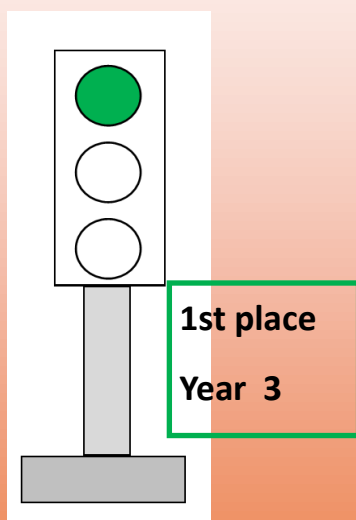
Miss Keeley- 96.50% Mr Lockett-97.30%

Mrs Matthews-96.42% Miss O'Brien-96.35%

Mrs Rundle-96.66%

Well Done to Mr Walker's class with 97.67% attendance.

Thank you for your support in helping to reach our attendance target. Attendance is very important to every child's learning and we look forward to continuing to improve our attendance figures.



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Raising Aspirations with Falmouth University

Y6 pupil premium children from St Uny C of E Academy and Connor Downs Academy visited Falmouth University this term. The children were not only introduced to a wealth of future study and/or career options, right on their doorstep; but were hopefully inspired to smash any imaginary glass ceiling preventing them achieve what they believe they can. It is never too early to foster a sense of self-motivation and to aim high about the future.



Aspire Charter of Excellence

This term saw the first marques being awarded to schools as part of the new *Aspire Charter of Excellence*, a framework designed to transform outcomes for children and redefine what is truly outstanding across a breadth of subjects and focus areas. This term, nine schools gained their Bronze marque for their Special Educational Needs & Disabilities (SEND) provision and two —Mount Hawke Academy and Summercourt Academy—scooped Silver. For the Pupil Premium charter, seven schools can now proudly display their Bronze marque. Thank you for the effort and commitment shown by all involved.

Biscovey Academy are the Aspire Tag Rugby Winners 2017!

Aspire Training

Learning is never the preserve of children as this term witnessed a lot of learning for the grown ups in the Trust! Our first Aspire Maths Leads Day took place in October which offered the chance to explore Early Years maths and how it should look in the classroom. Excellent sessions were led by Sandy Hill Academy's Helen Bingham and Dr Helen Williams, an independent educational consultant who specialises in developing effective, playful opportunities for Early Years & KS1 mathematics learning. The same month, the first Nursery Leads Network meeting sprung into action, hosted by St Stephen Churchtown Academy, with pre-school practitioners coming together to show-case examples of best practice from across the Trust.



Aspire INSET Day



Internationally renowned speaker Marc Woods, joined the Aspire Celebration shared INSET day on Friday 20th October, and gave an inspiring keynote address on the theme of 'Personal Best' from St Minver School. For academics not able to be there in person, a live video link streamed Marc's talk to all Aspire corners of Cornwall and staff joined in with a lively Q&A. Thanks of course to Marc for taking time out of a very busy schedule to inspire and motivate us all, but huge thanks too to the Aspire IT team for ensuring the morning went off glitch-free! Staff returned to their hub schools in the afternoon for an array of activities focussing on personal best, resilience and leadership. Children may get a day off on INSET day but it's most definitely nose to the grindstone for teachers!

Premises Update

The Premises team has been working around the clock this year, overseeing a number of big building projects across the Trust. Whitemoor Academy now has a fabulous new classroom block, Connor Downs is the proud owner of a smart meeting room and front office and Sandy Hill Academy will offer 60 Reception Class places from 2018-19 with a transformative 8-classroom block, currently under construction. The continuous upgrade of buildings and ongoing maintenance programme is vital not only to the wellbeing of our staff and children, but to successful teaching and learning outcomes for all.



Welcome to... Cusgarne Primary School who joined the Aspire family of academies on 1st October and to Delabole Primary and Tintagel Primary who joined the Trust on 1st December. Good to have you on board!

Focus on ... Forest Schools

Wendy Malham is the Outdoor Learning Lead and qualified Forest School leader at Penryn Primary. She is passionate about the outdoors and believes that it's vital for all children to gain an appreciation and connection with nature. Penryn has its own woodland Forest School site where Wendy works with over 200 children a week, from Reception through to Year 6. Young people can learn valuable skills such as recognising tree and plant life, conservation, fire safety, campfire cooking and working with tools. Learners are allowed the time and space to develop skills, interests and understanding through practical, hands-on experiences, which they would not access in the everyday classroom. Giving children the freedom and independence to learn outdoors allows them to choose achievable tasks, which helps build self-esteem and self-confidence, ultimately enriching every area of their lives.



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Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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Calling all parents/carers of Reception and Year1 pupils!
You are invited to attend:

Supporting Phonics and Writing

- Find out ways to support reading and writing skills
- Feel more confident about encouraging your child's learning
- Friendly and informal: help yourself – help your child!



Starting on Thursday 18th January for 5 weeks
from 9am – 11am
at Sandy Hill Academy



To sign up, let someone at the school know (01726 75858)
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