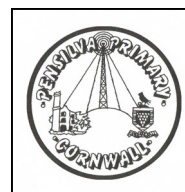


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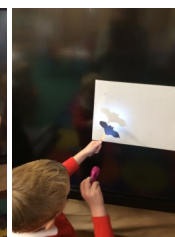
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Friday 25th November 2022

Wrens class

This week Wrens have been spending time learning about shadows and when we see them. We discovered what causes them and then went into the playground and drew around each other's shadows. After that we made our own shadow puppets and used a torch to make a shadow on the white paper.



Doves class

Doves have completed their windmills for our Design and Technology unit on structures. The mouse is ready to move into his new windmill home! Over the last few weeks we have discussed the different parts of the windmill and assembled the structure, turbine and axle:

Supporting structure: the part that makes the windmill stand up.

Turbine or sails: the pieces that move in the wind.

Axle: the point from which the turbine/sails move.

This week the final part was to evaluate their windmills based on our original design criteria and to amend the windmills if needed:

Design criteria:

- My windmill should stand up on its own
- My windmill should be decorated for its owner (the mouse)
- My windmill should have three parts
- My windmill should blow in the wind.

Puffins class

On Tuesday afternoon we had our last forest school session. First of all, we learnt how to keep yourself safe around a fire. We then lit our own camp fire and toasted marshmallows. We placed our squirrel feeder carefully in our outdoor area and left food for the squirrel who visits our school on a regular basis. We then made tree faces out of clay and other natural materials. We have loved every moment of our forest school sessions. Thank you so much Miss Tubby, we can't wait until it's our turn again!

Year 4 also achieved their level 1 Bikeability certificate. They learnt how to control their cycle in traffic free environments.



Buzzards class

Buzzards have continued learning their prayer, songs and speaking parts for the KS2 Christmas Celebration. Alongside this the Year 6

Buzzards have been completing their autumn term assessments whilst the Year 5s have been learning all about factors and multiples. Many Year 6s have taken part in Bikeability at the end of the week. They thoroughly enjoyed the sessions.



The second cross-country race of the season took place last Friday at Lanhydrock. It was a tough course which was very wet and muddy. We entered a number of children into each category and they all did amazing well! The results were as follows:

Year 3/4 girls

3rd—Emilia K
24th—Kensa B
32nd—Ailla M
82nd—Beatrice S
83rd—Vanessa B

Year 3/4 boys

99th—Jacob H
120th—Harrison B
125th—Kai B
128th—Dominic T

Year 5/6 girls

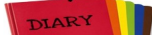
72nd—Issy B
75th—Isla O
76th—Alice P
83rd—Grace R
96th—Ruby H
117th—Scarlett M
119th—Layla A

Year 5/6 boys

8th—Noah K
56th—Thomas S
97th—Leo M



Dates for your



28th November	—	Parents Evening
29th November	—	Wrens and Doves class trip to the Plymouth Theatre Royal
30th November	—	Parents Evening
30th November	—	Puffins violin assembly
7th December	—	PSA Film Night
8th December	—	Christmas Jumper Day £1 voluntary donation for Save the Children
8th December	—	KS2 Carol Service. 2pm Millennium House
9th December	—	Christmas Fair. 2pm in the school hall
14th December	—	Christmas lunch
14th December	—	KS1 Christmas Production at 2pm and 5.30pm
15th December	—	Choir singing for the Memory Café
16th December	—	Non-school uniform £1 voluntary donation for the PSA
16th December	—	Last day of term
19th December	—	2nd January—Christmas holiday
3rd January	—	Children return to school

Attendance

Wrens	91.82%	Doves	93.45%	Puffins	89.62%	Buzzards	92%
Whole school	91.78%						

PSA news and updates

Wednesday 7th December—Film Night. Max of 30 children. Arthur Christmas. £5 per child to include hotdog, drinks and popcorn

Friday 9th December—Christmas Fair 2pm

Friday 16th December - Non-school uniform. £1 voluntary donation.

If anybody can donate any mince pies and raffle prizes for the children's raffle that would be greatly appreciated.

Kivells Christmas Colouring Competition

A colouring sheet has sent into school from Kivells in Liskeard for children to complete (if they would like to). The sheets have been sent home with children.

If your child/ren would like to take part, please send directly back to Kivells using the contact information on the reverse of the colouring picture.

Pensilva Football Team



So proud of our team again! We played in extremely cold and wet conditions. We lost the first match, but showed great determination and comfortably won our second match. I would like to say a big thank you to all the parents



and grandparents who have come to support the team over the past few weeks. We play again at Callington Community College on Tuesday 29th November and we have our first South East Cornwall Primary Schools league match at Pelynt Primary Academy on Thursday 1st December. Come on team, we can do this!

Children in Need 2022

What an amazing week we had to raise money for Children in Need. We held a special assembly on Monday 14th November to understand the importance of Children in Need and how the money that is raised helps many organisations. On Tuesday 15th November we had a bake sale, the variety of cakes and biscuits was amazing and your donations were truly appreciated. On Wednesday 16th and Thursday 17th November the children had the opportunity to guess the name of the teddy. I'm pleased to announce Alfie from Buzzard Class guessed correctly, the winning name was Dash!

The grand finale was on Friday 18th November, we went on our Pensilva Ramble. We dressed in our wellies and waterproofs and enjoyed every moment of our walk. The whole school were amazing, with the older children looking after the younger children. It was a wonderful sight to see. The children really enjoyed exploring our local area. Finally, after returning to school we all enjoyed a well-deserved hot chocolate!

I would like to thank you all for your support and generosity. We even had donations from members of the public after seeing our children behaving so impeccably during our ramble. In total we have raised £245.15 for Children in Need. What an amazing achievement.

Thank you all once again

Becky Palfrey
Puffins class teacher



A massive thank you to Sarah and Neil McCaig and Greatlands Garage who have very generously bought and sponsored new sports bibs for the cross country team and school! A vibrant colour was chosen so we can clearly see the children representing school at cross country and other sporting events. We think that they look amazing and nobody will miss our children at future events!

