Pensilva Primary School Newsletter

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Friday 18th November 2022

Wrens class

This week we have been continuing our funny bones topic. We all did some fantastic writing about the Funny Bones story using our best Fred talk and also made these amazing funny bones houses for our display.







Doves class

Doves enjoyed rambling around Pensilva with the rest of the school this morning as the weather was very kind and stayed sunny and dry for us. When we returned, hot chocolate was on offer for those who wished to have one. After play and snack time, the children drew some 2D shapes and discussed their properties in maths. In science we played weather symbol snap and pretended to be weather forecasters.

Puffins class

This term in science we will be learning about living things and their habitats. We started off by discussing what we already knew about the subject and facts we wanted to find out. We will be exploring a variety of ways to identify, sort, group and classify living things. We will learn how animals are split into 'vertebrates' and 'invertebrates' and begin to consider the differences between living things within these classifications. We will use and create classification keys to group, identify and name living things from the local habitat and beyond. This unit also introduces us to the idea that environments are subject to human-made and natural changes, and that these changes can have a significant impact on living things. Throughout the unit we will work scientifically by gathering, recording and presenting information in different ways.

Buzzards class

Buzzards have had a busy week learning songs and speaking parts for the KS2 Christmas Celebration. Alongside this the Year 6 Buzzards have been refining their use of formal written methods for long







multiplication and division whilst the Year 5s have been comparing calculations and applying their knowledge to place value, addition and subtraction problems.



On Tuesday 15th November, we travelled once again to Callington Community College. It was great to see amazing positioning on the pitch, accurate passing, determined defending and goals being scored! Each team member was supporting one another and vocally we demonstrated how to take control of a game. An overall



excellent result earned through pure effort and determination. So proud of you all!





Thank you to Isla, Noah and Oliver who laid a wreath on behalf of school at last Sunday's Remembrance

Ceremony in Pensilva.



A fantastic start to the Dodgeball club being run by Mr Jones!



22nd November—Year 4 bikeability

23rd—25th November—Year 6 bikeability

25th November—Learn2Ride

28th November—Parents Evening

29th November—Wrens and Doves class trip to the Plymouth Theatre Royal

30th November—Parents Evening

7th December—PSA Film Night

8th December—Christmas Jumper Day

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

93.18% Doves 93.79% **Puffins** Wrens 94.62% Buzzards 93.33%

Whole school 93.74%

Save the date—Christmas Productions

Reception and KS1 will be performing the nativity of 'Snowman at Sunset' this year on Wednesday 14th December. There will be two performances; 2pm and 5.30pm. Tickets will be limited to two tickets per performance per family and are available to collect from the school office from now.



KS2 will be performing a Carol Service on Thursday 8th December at 2pm at Millennium House. Due to the size of the sports hall and the number of people who can be accommodated in the hall, this will not be a ticketed event.

The PSA will be selling refreshments at all events.



Over the Christmas break children generally spend more time online and we'd like to help you keep them safe digitally by inviting you to an Online Safety Webinar.

You are invited to attend a FREE Online Safety Webinar

Hosted by the online safety experts at Natterhub, this webinar is a great opportunity to pick up tips that you can easily apply at home.

Attendance is completely free, simply watch LIVE on YouTube using this link (no login required).

Tune in **December the 1st** at **7pm**

Using the link https://youtu.be/jyUj6zW55T8.