

BE KIND



14th October 2022

Dear parents and carers,

We have loved having the opportunity this week to welcome parents/carers into school to catch up with the teachers and to find out about how well their children are doing. We feel really proud of the efforts of all our children and I hope that you are to.

At the beginning of the week in assembly we talked about the brain and learning. Did you know that the brain weighs about the same as 3 tins of baked beans? We explored how important our brain is (the boss of our body) and how we can think of it in three parts – the lizard brain, the mammalian brain and the human brain. We will come back and explore this in more detail with the children in the coming weeks. We also discussed the brain in relation to learning and how learning can be tricky and hard – this is fine! We looked at the 'zone of proximal development' and how we wanted to try and avoid the comfort and panic zones, while being in the LEARNING ZONE.



Yesterday, continuing our half termly theme of respect and as part of Black History Month, Miss Laskowski and the Red Oaks led an assembly looking at the life of Martin Luther King and the important lesson we can still learn today from his activism.

On Wednesday we were delighted to be able to take a group of year 5s to Richard Lander for some music making, they had a great time. Today we were pleased to be able to take a football team to a tournament at Truro College, again they had a great time. Also, a huge thank you to Mr Ascroft for taking the time to come in and talk to Bur Oaks all about dentistry today and to Mrs Rolfe who shared her medical expertise with Mighty Oaks.

As we approach half term, please do note that the first day back to school for the children is **Tuesday 1**st **November**, due to the school being closed as part of our trust wide inset day on the Monday.

I hope you have a great weekend.

David Hick



Photo Permissions and Data Collection Forms

Thank you to everyone who has returned these forms. If you haven't managed to return these yet then please can I ask that you do this as soon as possible.

PTA - Save the Dates

Autumn Disco - 10th Nov (5pm-6pm KS1, 6:15pm-7:15pm KS2) Tickets will go on sale next week.

Krispy Kreme Sales - 18th Nov Details on how to order will be out soon

Tea with Santa - 8th & 9th Dec More details to follow



Year 6 Fundraising

The Mighty Oaks have been learning all about the amazing work that the British Heart Foundation do as part of their 'Have a Heart' theme.



As a result, they are holding a fundraising event on Tuesday 18thOctober. As a result, they are holding a fundraising event on Tuesday 18th October.

The Y6 children will run a variety of sporting challenges, which include a penalty shootout, hula hooping, egg and spoon races, skipping and much more. Each class will have a slot during the day to have a go at some of the activities and to get their hearts pumping! In addition, they are invited to come to school wearing something red, white or anything heart related.

Your support would mean so much to the Mighty Oaks and therefore any donations would be gratefully received.

Please go to the Just Giving Link <u>https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Claire-James61</u> where all donations will go straight to the BHF.

End of Key stage 2 SATs Results

We are delighted to now be able to share our end of Key Stage 2 'SATs' results from the summer of 2022. We are always really proud of all of children's efforts and everyone in our school who supports them – this led to incredible results, the best attainment and progress in our academy trust.

	Expected	Higher Standard	Progress
Reading	87%	53%	+3.28
Writing	87%	17%	+2.24
Maths	90%	40%	+3.22
	All significantly better than comparative national data.		

We will provide a full data analysis in our website in the next couple of weeks.

Harvest Festival



On our last day of half term we will be holding two short harvest celebrations, led by Rev Jem, at Chacewater Church. One for reception and key stage 1 at 9.30am and one for key stage 2 at 10.30am. Parents and carers are welcome to attend these but please be mindful of available space in the church, we will need

to use the front couple of rows of seating.

During the last week of the half term we will be taking a collection of goods for Truro Foodbank.

Please note that these are not intended to be a performance but a short celebration of the harvest and an opportunity to think about those that may be experiencing tough times.

We kindly ask that no photographs are taken during these celebrations.

Pupil Premium

Pupil Premium funding is additional funding which the school receives for each eligible pupil and allows us best support the children both academically and across the wider school curriculum e.g. trips and residentials.

Your child may be eligible for free school meals and pupil premium funding if you are in receipt of one or more of these benefits:

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods).
- Income Support (IS)
- Job Seekers' Allowance (Income-Based) and equal based Job Seekers Allowance
- Income Related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA-IR) and equal based Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (CTC) with an annual income of less than £16,190

- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Guarantee Element of Pension Credit (GPC)
- Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 (IAA) Supports

It easy to apply online by clicking <u>here</u> or speak to the office and we can provide a paper form.

Please note that **all** reception and key stage 1 children are entitled to a free school meal **but** the school will not receive any additional funding if an application is not made.

Dates For Your Diary			
21.10.22	Harvest Festival – Chacewater Church		
24.10.22 – 28.10.22	HALF TERM HOLIDAY		
31.10.22	Inset Day - School Closed to children		
1.11.22	Start of half term		
7.12.22	Christmas Lunch Day		
W/b: 12.12.22	Christmas week! Nativities and Carol Concert – Exact Dates To Be Confirmed		
16.12.22	End of Term		
3.1.23	Start of Spring Term		
13.2.23 – 17.2.23	HALF TERM HOLIDAY		
20.2.23	Start of half term		
3.4.23 - 14.4.23	EASTER HOLIDAYS		
17.4.23	Start of summer term		
29.5.23 - 2.6.23	HALF TERM HOLIDAY		
5.6.23	Start if half term		
21.7.23	End of term for children		



GOLDEN AWARD WINNERS

ACORNS	Adelie & Daxon
SEEDLINGS	Ella & William
BUDS	Jackson & Elliemay
YOUNG OAKS	Harley & Honey
BUR OAKS	Jake & Freya
RED OAKS	Harry & Jack
MIGHTY OAKS	Jacob & Tulisa & Mrs Rolfe!



Signposting





SAT 5TH NOV

Chacewater Millenium Green

Pay on the gate - CASH ONLY! Adults £3 - Children £2

Hot food, refreshments, sweets stall and more

> Gates open - 6pm Bonfire lighting - 6:30pm Fireworks -7pm



