



29th April 2022

Dear parents and carers,

The children have come back after the Easter break brilliantly and there are already too many highlights to mention them all. However, to name but a few: Jacob in Young Oaks has really impressed me with his perseverance in reading the time on an analogue watch; Leah in Red Oaks has already completed a book this half term, along with the rest of the Mighty Oaks; Luc has shown an amazing attitude to maths and getting 'SATs ready'; and Theodore and Elsie in Seedlings have been fantastic writers. There have been so many more examples of amazing learning this week and we are really proud of all of our children and their efforts.

Mrs Morgan stated the week with an assembly looking at Geography which is one of our whole school focuses this half term. She looked at what it means to be a geographer and the skills that are needed to be successful in this subject. You can find out more about what your children will be learning this half term and the key knowledge we would like them to remember by looking at the key documents on the class pages on our website [HERE](#).



This half term, we will also be looking at the key value of 'the rule of law'. We explored this value in our key stage assemblies – linking this to our school rules and values in key stage 1 and learning a little about the Magna Carta in key stage 2. We had some interesting and topical discussions in each of these assemblies about how no one is or should be above the law!

We are also delighted to have had confirmation of the new children that will be joining our school in our new reception cohort in September. Over the coming weeks we are really looking forward to meeting everyone and getting to know each other. We still do have some spaces available for September, so if you do know anyone that is still unsure about their reception place in September then please encourage them to come and visit us.

It has been refreshing to see some better weather and I hope that it stays bright for the long weekend ahead (remember it is a Bank Holiday on Monday).

Mr Hick



Rainbow Run

One of our Acorn's, Sienna, has taken it upon her self to raise money for Children's Hospice South West by taking part in the Rainbow Run. **She has already raised over £1000!**

As part of her fundraising efforts she will be selling cakes at 50p each next Friday (6th May). If your child would like to purchase one then please can they bring 50p next week. Sienna also has a JustGiving page which you can access [HERE](#) and make donation if you would like to.



KS1 SATs parents meeting

This half term our KS1 children will be taking statutory assessment in year 2. As part of this process there are some tests that the children will take in school. On Thursday 12th May, Mrs Morgan and Mr Hick will hold a brief meeting for parents, to give some details about these assessments. The meeting will take place straight after school in Buds' classroom.

RHSE parents meeting 18th May – 6pm

Thank you to all those parents that returned the questionnaire about our RHSE curriculum, your comments have been very helpful. On Wednesday the 18th May at 6 pm, we are holding a parent meeting to review the Sex Education aspect of the curriculum. Following this meeting we will be sending home more details about the coverage for each year group. The Sex Education aspect of the curriculum, will be taught in school the week commencing 23rd May 2022. The children in Acorns will access the NSPCC materials: PANTS (the Underwear Rule) [Link](#) We continue to use the PANTS materials throughout the school.

Jubilee



Advance notice - to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee we are planning a street party style event for the children on the afternoon of 27th May: the children are invited to come into school on that Friday, dressed for a royal occasion. Further details will be provided soon but our provisional plan is to have everyone outside together with some party food and then invite parents to join us for some British songs at the end of the day.

Please note that the school is also closed on Monday 6th June in lieu of the actual Jubilee bank holiday.

Clubs

Clubs start next week and will run over the whole of the summer term. We have tried to allocate clubs as fairly as possible. Due to the numbers involved, it is not always possible to give everyone their first choice. Where clubs were less subscribed we have been able to accommodate more second and third choice preferences, which means some children will have more than one club.

Richard Lander Parents Meeting

Lucy Watts will be visiting the school on the 23rd May to speak to the year 6 children who will be transferring to Richard Lander in September. At the of the day there will be a meeting for parents and carers as part of the induction process.

Times Tables

A quick and automatic recall of times tables is a key building block for children in mathematics. Regular practice of these facts with your children really does make a difference and overtime will help to improve their confidence in all areas of mathematics. The Oxford Owl website [HERE](#) has some really good information, tips and games that are really helpful in helping you to support your children.



Children in key stage 2 also have access to **Times Tables Rockstars** which is great way to practice in a fund way.

If we know the 21 facts highlighted below then we can use these to work out all of our tables.

Times tables: the 21 facts*

1	2	3	4	5
$1 \times 1 = 1$	$2 \times 2 = 4$	$3 \times 3 = 9$	$4 \times 4 = 16$	$5 \times 5 = 25$
$1 \times 2 = 2$	$2 \times 3 = 6$	$3 \times 4 = 12$	$4 \times 5 = 20$	$5 \times 6 = 30$
$1 \times 3 = 3$	$2 \times 4 = 8$	$3 \times 5 = 15$	$4 \times 6 = 24$	$5 \times 7 = 35$
$1 \times 4 = 4$	$2 \times 5 = 10$	$3 \times 6 = 18$	$4 \times 7 = 28$	$5 \times 8 = 40$
$1 \times 5 = 5$	$2 \times 6 = 12$	$3 \times 7 = 21$	$4 \times 8 = 32$	$5 \times 9 = 45$
$1 \times 6 = 6$	$2 \times 7 = 14$	$3 \times 8 = 24$	$4 \times 9 = 36$	
$1 \times 7 = 7$	$2 \times 8 = 16$	$3 \times 9 = 27$		
$1 \times 8 = 8$	$2 \times 9 = 18$			
$1 \times 9 = 9$				

6	7	8	9
$6 \times 6 = 36$	$7 \times 7 = 49$	$8 \times 8 = 64$	$9 \times 9 = 81$
$6 \times 7 = 42$	$7 \times 8 = 56$	$8 \times 9 = 72$	
$6 \times 8 = 48$	$7 \times 9 = 63$		
$6 \times 9 = 54$			

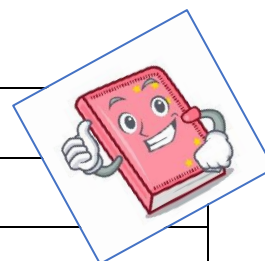
The image shows a grid of multiplication facts. The first 21 facts are highlighted in various colors (green, blue, red, pink) and are arranged in two rows. The first row contains facts for multipliers 1 through 5, and the second row contains facts for multipliers 6 through 9. Each fact is accompanied by a small illustration of a cow or sheep. The facts are: 1x1=1, 1x2=2, 1x3=3, 1x4=4, 1x5=5, 1x6=6, 1x7=7, 1x8=8, 1x9=9, 2x2=4, 2x3=6, 2x4=8, 2x5=10, 2x6=12, 2x7=14, 2x8=16, 2x9=18, 3x3=9, 3x4=12, 3x5=15, 3x6=18, 3x7=21, 3x8=24, 3x9=27, 4x4=16, 4x5=20, 4x6=24, 4x7=28, 4x8=32, 4x9=36, 5x5=25, 5x6=30, 5x7=35, 5x8=40, 5x9=45, 6x6=36, 6x7=42, 6x8=48, 6x9=54, 7x7=49, 7x8=56, 7x9=63, 8x8=64, 8x9=72, 9x9=81.

COVID

From 1st April the guidance surrounding COVID-19 changed. There is no longer an expectation that children are tested and free tests are no longer available. Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.

If a child or young person has a positive COVID-19 test result they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test, if they can. After 3 days, if they feel well and do not have a high temperature, the risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower. This is because children and young people tend to be infectious to other people for less time than adults. Children and young people who usually go to school, college or childcare and who live with someone who has a positive COVID-19 test result should continue to attend as normal.

Dates For Your Diary



2.5.22	Bank Holiday
9.5.22	Year 6 SATs Week
23.5.22	Y6 RLS meeting followed by meeting for parents (3.15pm).
27.5.22	Jubilee Celebration
30.5.22 – 3.6.22	Half Term
6.6.22	School closed - lieu of Jubilee Bank Holiday
15.6.22 – 17.6.22	Year 6 Camp
15.7.22	Leavers Disco
21.7.22	Y5/6 End of year show
22.7.22	End of Summer Term



GOLDEN AWARD WINNERS

ACORNS	Jensen & Grace
SEEDLINGS	Ella-Grace & Jackson
BUDS	Alfie & Tyler
YOUNG OAKS	Bailey & Eloise
BUR OAKS	Jago & Jacob
RED OAKS	Isla, Charlie & Tulisa
MIGHTY OAKS	Jack & Daisy



Signposting

RADIO GOES VISUAL

CHBN – Truro's Community and Hospital Broadcasting Network is looking for photographers, designers, artists in any medium to help us with a new fundraiser

CHBN – Truro's Community and Hospital Broadcasting Network – is making an appeal to children from your School to help with a new fundraiser.

This could be a project for the Easter Holidays. Do you love drawing, painting, even taking photos? We want to produce a special calendar for 2023, created by the community.

We shall need 36 pictures, three for each month, which talk about Truro – its buildings, parks and gardens, wildlife, even pets – anything which is part of our Great Little City.

Please send your pictures (with your parents' permission) as a high quality photo attachment to calendar@chbnradio.org with your name, contact details, your age and your school.

The closing date for submissions is **Sunday 8th May 2022.**

RadioTed volunteers with us at CHBN.
He is looking forward to seeing your work.

