

## Message from the Head

I cannot believe we are nearly at the end of our first half term and the nights are drawing in. We have had a really good start to the term with our focus on positive play. We have been working with Alice from Little Bird Music who is teaching the children some of the traditional playground rhymes and games. We have also been investing in more equipment for the playground and it is so lovely to watch the children playing ball games, giant jenga and French skipping, (do you remember that?) A large number of our Year 5 and 6 children also volunteered to be playground leaders and are doing a wonderful job leading games in the infant playground. We have been talking to the children and we now have plenty of plans to develop the playground and the field. We are doing what we can, with the help of FONS, to make our dreams reality but the outdoor swimming pool and Skate Park some of the children have requested is probably a step too far.

## The Wizard of Oz

We treated the children to a wonderful production of The Wizard of Oz. They all thoroughly enjoyed it!



Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

The Friends of Newlyn School organised and ran a coffee afternoon in aid of Macmillan. Parents donated cakes and came to support this charitable endeavour. The event gave parents the opportunity to come into school to enjoy cake, a hot drink and the company of other parents. A most relaxing time was had by all. A big thank you to all who helped and supported the event. A total of money raised will follow.

# **Newlyn School Facebook**

Did you know that we have our own Facebook page? There is a lot of information on there so please take a look.

## **Student Council**

This week, elections were held for the Student Council with children giving a speech to say why they should be chosen. The elected children will represent their class and meet with the Headteacher to talk about school issues and make decisions. Huge congratulations to: Liam, Eiliadh, Ben, Aria, Caleb, Nina, Hollie, Logan, Emily, Ewan, Sennen and Jessika.

Congratulations to Class 2 who achieved 100% attendance in our first full week back. It is most important that all parents and children try their hardest to be in school as much as possible. Missing school results in lost education.

### Attendance stars this week

Class 6 with 98.4%

# Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival will be taking place on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30pm in the school hall. We do have limited space so please can we ask that no more than 2 people come from one family. Thank you so much for your understanding. We will be asking children to bring items of food to give to the food bank. The items need to be tinned food or dried food such as pasta and rice.

# 11<sup>th</sup> October 2018

# Autumn term 2018

#### **Music Lessons**

If any child would like to learn an instrument, we have every instrument on offer. Please come and see Miss Fitzgerald or send a note in if your child would like to learn. Lessons are free for children who qualify for income based free school dinner (not infant free school dinners) or for children who have parents in the armed forces. Lessons are £5.50 per lesson and are taught in pairs or threes. Instrument loan is free of charge.

# **Reading Task Force**

Would you or any grandparent want to join our reading task force? We are on a mission to raise standards in reading and we need volunteers to help! If you can spare an hour, we would be delighted to have you on board. Practise makes progress! You will just need to pop into the office and register your interest with Mrs. Pascoe.

# **Glorious Surf Day**

Our children learning to surf. They did so well and really improved over the day.



# <u> Virtue of the term - Respect</u>

## The Newlyn Way: We will respect others and the world around us.

Our focus for the term is looking at the different ways we show respect. We are thinking about the Golden Rule: treating others the way we would like to be treated ourselves. The children are being encouraged to show respect to each other and the whole school community. We are having a real focus on manners and visitors to the school have already commented on how polite our children are. The children are also learning about the importance of looking after our environment.



On Friday 21st September, Year 5 enjoyed a trip to the Truro Museum where they took part in 'Mrs Trevithick's Tale' workshop and explored the life and influence of the famous Mr Trevithick – British inventor and mining engineer. The children were extremely well behaved throughout and were excellent ambassadors for our school.

# Parents' Evening

Don't forget to book your appointment! Most of the appointments are on Monday and Tuesday next week. This is your opportunity to find out how your child is doing so please try to come in. If you can't make those dates then speak to the teacher who will be more than happy to see you at a different time.

# 5- up (Wednesday Club)

This is a club run by the 3 Villages Project for children in the area. There are spaces available so please contact them if your child would like to attend.

### Netball

Our children had their first match against Pensans this week and won 6-0! Congratulations to the team: Tama, Piran, Gideon, Tegan, Kaci, Scarlet, Caoimhe and Mia. Thank you to Mr Hickman and Mrs Wood for their time and enthusiasm.