ROSEMELLIN SCHOOL NEWS - Spring Term



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This week we are on Chartwells' menu Week 2

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Beam of the Week!

CRANTOCK— Grace for working very hard on her writing skills

FISTRAL— Noah for trying super hard with his sentences

LAMORNA— Oscar for being resilient and trying hard with his work

MAENPORTH— Zara for working well with others

GODREVY— Charlie for pushing himself out of his comfort zone and being resilient

PORTHMEOR— Millie P for following the rules every day

PORTHCURNO— Poppy for her great relationships and being kind to other children

SWANPOOL— Harvey for positive attitude towards his learning

CADGWITH— Kaitlin for consistently trying her best in all areas of her learning

POLZEATH— Sabrina for being resilient and trying her best

HARLYN— Lexi for a great can-do attitude to all tasks this week and giving everything 100%

PERRANUTHNOE— Keira for being reflective and working hard to improve her writing

GWENVOR— All of year 6 for 'making it look easy' in this week's SATs

KYNANCE— Ollie M for having a positive and resilient attitude towards everything during SATs week



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 27th May: Jubilee Celebration—children please wear red, white & blue

Monday 30th May - 3rd June: Half Term

Monday 25 & Tuesday 26th July: Staff Training (school closed to pupils).

Wednesday 27th July—SUMMER HOLIDAYS!





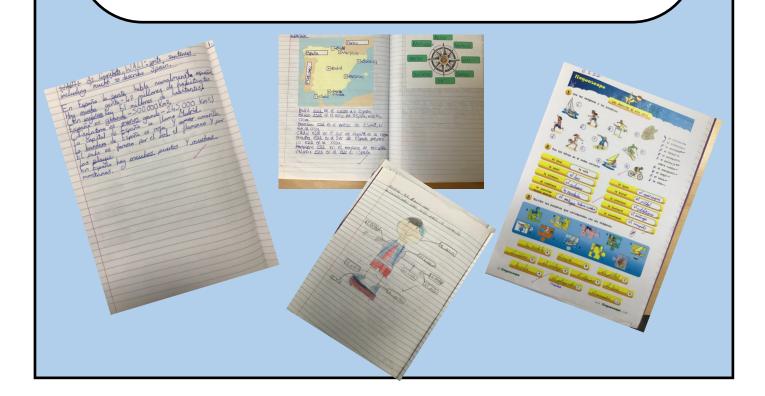
At Rosemellin, we teach Spanish across KS2. The ability to speak another language is a great skill to have and one we promote with enthusiasm at our school. When speaking with some of the children from each year group recently about their Spanish lessons, they talked about how much they enjoyed playing Spanish games on Linguascope and conversing with their friends in a different language. Linguascope can be accessed from home too – please ask your child's teacher for the password if you do not already have it.

Year 3 have been learning the Spanish vocabulary for the days of the week.

Year 4 have focused on how to describe the different body parts in Spanish.

Year 5 have been learning to say which indoor and outdoor sports they like, as well as how to say which fruits they like or dislike.

Year 6 have focused on compass points, saying where they live and using 'mucho' within sentences.



Platinum Jubilee celebrations - Friday 27th May

Each Year group has chosen a decade of the Queens' reign to learn about the events of that period.

1950's: Year 6

1960's: Year 4

1970's: Foundation

1980's: Year 3

1990's: Year 5

2000's: Year 2

2010's: Year 1

Well done to our Y6 children

Last week our Y6 children took their SATs- tests which every Y6 child in the country takes- in Reading, Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar and Maths. We were so proud of our children who tackled their tests with positivity, tried their best and were set up well with a school breakfast.

Huge congratulations to the children and an especial thank you to all staff involved who have all worked so hard to ensure the children were in the best place to present what they know.

Thoughtfulness for our neighbours

It has been brought to the school's attention that our neighbours are experiencing difficulty leaving their properties first thing in the morning. Although taking great care to drive away from their houses, in order to get to work, it is becoming very problematic. Please can we all show respect, understanding and kindness to each other as it is causing needless anxiety.

Parking is also an issue at the front of the school with cars being dangerously parked. Please can we remind you that the road leading to school, where the barrier is, should not be accessed by parents. Parking safely and away from junctions is really important for our children are to arrive and leave school safely.

Thank you

<u>Attendance</u>

The school has been working hard to encourage good attendance now that the worst of COVID is over, the school is continuing to work hard to encourage good attendance. The attendance team meets regularly with the school's education welfare officer, Rita Rawson, and their focus is very much on children attending school every day to minimise disruption to the children's learning. When we look at a child's pattern of attendance and a child's progress, it comes as no surprise to see that the two are very much linked. What makes a real impact is the number of interrupted weeks a child experiences a day missing here and there- and how that interrupts the flow of learning.

Prior to COVID the school's attendance was always at around 96%. We know that COVID, and then the effects of other illnesses such as bugs and chicken pox e.g , have all impacted but it would be so good to again return to excellent attendance. Should you be experiencing any difficulty in ensuring your child attends daily, please speak to a member of staff. We are here to support you and help in any way we can. By discussing any barriers, sharing any concerns we may just be able to make the difference needed.

The attendance team is: Mrs Finn (Headteacher); Miss Anderson (Deputy Headteacher) and Mrs Kistle (office administrator); Mrs Julie Smith carries out door duty to reduce our lates and Mr Lyth (Learning Mentor) is also available to speak with.

Update from Crofty Estates re: building and maintenance work undertaken at Rosemellin

Sometimes, work to the site and school building can be easily overlooked when parents drop off and pick up their children daily. It is a must that any maintenance or health and safety issues, brought to the attention of myself, are prioritised and planned for. This work is done by using the conditional surveys of each of the Crofty MAT schools. It is totally understandable that frustration is felt when, yet again, on a rainy morning, the puddle on the entrance to the site from Cliff View Road, makes it very difficult to keep feet dry on coming into school. Such was the situation last week and we can only apologise.

However, it is not that the work is not planned for and being undertaken but that this work has been impacted by Midas going into administration as Midas were the contractors who were carrying out the work. The drainage work has, therefore, been delayed due to unforeseen circumstances but quotes are once again being sought and it is hoped that the work will be undertaken, hopefully, in the summer holidays of 2022.

Throughout the school, both the school premises and within the building, there has been an extensive programme of refurbishment and renovation which initially began with the extensive building project undertaken five years ago. This has been on-going work, including re-decoration throughout: new fire doors, installation of LED lighting; new furniture purchased; refurbishment of the library and a repurposing of a space into a sensory room, 'The Cove'...

In addition to the work above. the following has been also undertaken this academic year:

- The last three classroom ceilings were replaced(cost: £8600). This was quite a task as classrooms had to be emptied and readied again for the start of the term.
- Essential tree works and replanting has taken place in order o keep the school community safe and to develop the site as regards Forest School etc. (cost: £17,220).
- New cladding on side elevation (roof) including water ingress repairs, new ceiling tiles, and painting (cost: £4,000)
- School building roof area brickwork pointed and resealed (cost: £1,800)
- New hall lighting and ceiling repairs (cost: £2,600)
- Complete gutters, fascia and canopies cleaned (cost: £950.00)

Window replacement (cost: £600)

A busy year indeed but work that is essential if our children are to continue to learn in a modern, safe and fit for purpose environment.

Steve Eva

Estates Manager

Mrs Finn's Message





Dear Parents/ Carers

This week I would like to give you advance notice of our Platinum Jubilee celebrations that will take place on Friday 27th May (the last day of school before Half Term). We feel this will be a special day in our school's calendar and leads into the extended bank holiday weekend (half term for Cornish schools) allowing our school to come together and celebrate the historic milestone of the first British monarch to reign for 70 years.

On this day-the 27th May- we are asking the children to wear red, white and blue to mark the occasion. Each Year group has chosen a decade of the Queens' reign and will use this timeframe to learn about the events of that period. Lunch will be served outside-weather dependent- and Chartwell, the school's caterers-will be cooking a British classic, with a special cupcake for pudding, served in a box.

Children will also receive a Platinum Jubilee celebration book (due to arrive at some point by the end of this academic year) that takes the children on a journey through the Queen's reign. It is hoped that this book will be kept as a memento to talk to the children's own children and grandchildren when grown.

A lovely way to finish the half term and something for us all to look forward to.

Mrs Finn