

### ST MEWAN C P SCHOOL www.st-mewan.cornwall.sch.uk

### SUMMER NEWSLETTER NUMBER 3

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the last newsletter of this half term. It's been another busy fortnight, as you will see inside this edition. We have had Year 3 camp, sporting champions and Year 5 experiencing a Greek Day and also a Life Skills workshop at the Fire Station—and that's just for starters! I am proud to say that we always have amazing feedback from these visits about the conduct and manners of our pupils. They are always respectful and it is lovely to hear positive comments from members of the public about our school—Team St. Mewan at it's best!

#### Miss Hannah Colwell

I am so delighted to announce that Miss Colwell has been appointed as a Higher Level Teaching Assistant from September 2023. Miss Colwell has been working in EYFS for many years now and is a true asset to our school—I often describe her as sunshine in human form! Her role next year will see her covering classes across the school and I know she will be completely brilliant!

#### Mrs. Jenny Doran

Again, St. Mewan is 'growing our own' in terms of talent! Mrs. Doran has been working at St. Mewan for a while now and has been particularly supportive for some of our children who find learning difficult sometimes. From September 2023, Jenny will be our new Early Years Special Needs Co-ordinator, working alongside Mrs. Gamble to support our youngest pupils as they start in our nursery. Mrs. Doran is almost at the end of her EYFS SENDCo qualification and I am so pleased that she will be joining the nursery team permanently next year.

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Mrs E Badger Head Teacher

#### Mrs Ellie Bark

Mrs. Bark starts an awfully big adventure today as she leaves us to start her maternity leave. I know that she will miss her class hugely but I am certain that she will be back to visit with her new arrival in the next half term. We wish Ellie and Aaron the very best for the coming weeks and are so happy that they are going to become a family of three very soon!

#### **Teaching Assistant Vacancies**

A reminder that St. Mewan are currently looking for a number of teaching assistants for the next academic year. We have already had a lot of interest in these roles but, it there are any parents or carers who are looking to return to work or change career, please do not hesitate to contact us for a chat. All applications are welcome.

#### **Support for the Summer Fayre**

The Friends of St. Mewan desperately need some help for our Summer Fayre later this term. This is always a lovely event which brings our community together and raises a great deal of money for our pupils. Everything we raise is spent on our children and we cannot function without your support. If you are able to help out in any way, please contact the Friends of St. Mewan via the Google Docs link that was sent out earlier this week.

#### Sporting Success!



Well done to Jensen in Year 4 who has won the runner up prize in the Under 9 Football league with his team, Charlestown Raiders.

Jensen only joined St. Mewan this year and has settled so well—it's like he has always been here. Well done, Jensen—we're all very proud of you!

### Fun on the Field!

Would you believe that it's been almost four years since we have had a lunchtime on the field? The addition of our compostable toilets has enabled us to have the whole school on the field



at lunchtime over the past two weeks and it has been lovely to see everyone enjoying the massive space that we have



available to us up there. Buddies have met up together and one year group a day have had fun in the Forest School area. Hopefully, the great weather will continue!



### Fun on the Farm!

For the past two years, St. Mewan have been using Bereppa Farm, near Lostwithiel, as part of its pastoral offer. The farm is run by husband and wife, Joe and Cheryl, who both have a background in education. It is the most beautiful setting and our children have been fortunate to experience looking after the animals on the farm, including

horses, sheep, goats and chickens. It is a magical place!







### Year 3 Camp

Last week, Year 3 had a very exciting week! A 2 day/1 night camp combined with 2 days of artwork. Both classes took it in turns to sleep at the Youth Hostel at Boswinger (Close to Gorran). The children slept in dorms and had their food made for them by the YH staff. The weather turned into glorious sunshine just in time! The day activities were a fun few hours on Gorran Beach, an evening walk to Hemmick Beach, Canadian canoeing on the River Fowey and a playtime at Fowey Park. As you can see in the photos, the children had a great time. Thank you to all the staff involved – we couldn't have done it without you! Miss Palmer



### Year 5 News!

It's been a very busy couple of weeks for Year 5. Last week they visited St. Austell Fire Station to take part in a Life Skills Event where they took part in a range of workshops led by local organisations and services. The children had a brilliant time learning about the emergency services and how to keep themselves and their friends safe. We were delighted in the feedback we received from the staff there—the pupils' behaviour was impeccable!



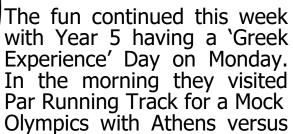












Olympics with Athens versus Sparta. The final score between the two Ancient City States ended as a 5—5 draw! The children then returned to school, dressed up in togas, learnt some traditional Greek dances and sampled a range of Greek foods. The children were fantastic throughout the whole day showing enthusiasm to develop their skills, try new things and improve their knowledge and understanding along the way!



**Cornwall Champions of Champions 2023!** 

This is definitely something to shout about! Our A Team footballers took part in a Champions League style event where the winners of the Diamond, Rosewarne and Miller Shield competition all played each other to see who would be crowned Champions of Cornwall. Turns out it was St. Mewan! The players once again proved how hard work, determination and team spirit can lead to some unforgettable experiences and team achievements. We are incredibly proud of them all!

Class	Percentage Attendance		
RR	90.6		
RVT	95.1		
1B	97.2		
1M	95.0		
2B	95.9		
2S	99.0		
3CG	98.0		
3P	95.9		
4C	96.6		
4M	95.5		
5B	97.7		
5)	97.7		
6D	95.0		
6SG	97.8		

### **Attendance Super Stars**

Well done to Class 2S for achieving 99% attendance since our last newsletter! We are still awaiting the arrival of Ted Attendance so that he can start visiting classrooms and giving awards to the class with the highest overall attendance. Hopefully he will arrive soon!



# LIVE HISTORY

Bringing history to life through immersive outdoor theatre and workshops

### PERFORMANCES

### **'BEHIND GLASS**

PERFORMANCES 30 May | 3.30pm, 5.30pm & 7.30pm 31 May | 3.30pm, 5.30pm & 7.30pm 1 June | 3.00,pm 5.00pm & 7.00pm

The exhibits at the museum have come to life but who is the culprit behind the mayhem? In this promenade outdoor theatre puzzlesolving adventure, you must team up with fellow visitors and the historical characters to look for clues around the museum.

### HISTORIC DANCE

30 May 11.30pm Learn some historic dances to impress your friends and family!

> Learn Tricks

### HISTORIC MAGIC TRICKS

31 May 1.30pm Learn about historic magic tricks

and practise your skills with the group.

#### HISTORIC PLAY WRITING 1 June I 1.00pm

Learn about different forms of theatre, how theatre and history combine, and how to craft your own scene.

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St Mewan Extra-Curricular Clubs Timetable – Summer 2				
Monday				
KS2 Rounders = Mr Boynton and Mrs Doran No limit on numbers	Y5/6 Choir = Mrs Harvey @4M (4:20pm finish) No limit on numbers <b>NOT STARTING UNTIL</b> 12th June		EYFS/KS1 Reading Club = Mrs Illiffe @ School library Reception = $3^{rd}$ July Y1 = $10^{th}$ July Y2 = $17^{th}$ July No limit on numbers	
Tuesday				
Y6 Hardball Cricket Fixtures = Mr Boynton and Mr Donelly (selected children only)		Y5 Martial Arts Mr Sanson REQUIRES PAYMENT– 15 places only @Y5 classrooms.		
Wednesday				
Y6 Martial Arts Mr Sanson REQUIRES PAYMENT– 15 places only @Y5 classrooms.		EYFS Ball Skills Club Lunchtime (12-12:30pm). Mr Boynton No limit on numbers		
Thursday				
KS1 Rounders = Mr Boynton and Mrs Doran @field No limit on numbers				
Friday				
Whole School - Golf Club Mr Boynton and Mrs Doran @ St Austell Golf Club (KS1 from school field) Y3 = 9 <sup>th</sup> June, Y4 = 16 <sup>th</sup> June, Y6 = 23 <sup>rd</sup> June, Y5 = 30 <sup>th</sup> June, KS1 = 7 <sup>th</sup> July				

Notes to consider:

All A/S Clubs finish at 4:30 unless specified above. Children should be collected from the specified @ location above. Anyone not collected by 10 minutes after their finish time will be taken to A/S club and may be charged. All clubs can be booked onto via School Gateway. Details for the Y5 and Y6 Martials Arts club will be sent out on class dojo. This club will require payment as it is being provided by an external agency.

### The importance of regular school attendance

National average school attendance is 96.5%. There is a direct link between school attendance and attainment and progress. It is very important to ensure that your child attends school regularly. We are able to offer support if you have concerns or issues regarding your child's attendance. Please contact Mrs Lisa Martin, Attendance Officer via the school office if you would like to discuss this further.



## St Mewan C P School

### 2023/24 Term Dates

#### Autumn Term 2023

Friday 1st September 2023 & Monday 4 September 2023 – Staff Inset Days (Pupils not required to attend) Tuesday 5th September 2023 – Term Begins Monday 16th October 2023 to Friday 27th October 2023 – Half Term

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2023 – End of Term, 1pm

#### Spring Term 2024

Monday 8th January 2024 – Term Begins Monday 12th February 2024 to Friday 16th February 2024 – Half Term Thursday 28th March 2024 – End of Term, 1pm

#### Summer Term 2024

Monday 15th April 2024 – Term Begins Monday 6th May 2024 – Early May Bank Holiday Monday 27th May 2024 to Friday 31st May 2024 – Half Term Friday 26th July 2024 – End of Term, 1pm