

# St Newlyn East Learning Academy



'An Inspiring community of happy, lifelong learners'

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Dear Parents/ Carers,

What a wonderful year we have had at St. Newlyn East, I am so proud of our happy community of lifelong learners. This week, after incredible learning all term, we have been delighted that the children could enjoy some festive treats. Thank you to our amazing Friends of SNELA for making so many of the activities this week possible, we have had a lot of fun. It was a real pleasure to watch this year's Nativity performed by the brilliant children in the two classes. Their rendition of the Big Little Story was a real joy - incredible singing and loud, clear voices told a very important story for this time of year.

I wanted to say a special thank you to Amelie and Elsie in Year 6 for planning a tour for a special guest we had in school last week, Derek Rushton a Trustee in our Trust. Both the girls were welcoming and confident which was great to see.

As we head off for the holidays, we would really welcome the feedback of both the parents and the children in our school community. We have designed a short survey for the children to complete with you about Sports and PE. We would really appreciate your support in filling this out. You can find it [here](#). As part of the wider curriculum, we are also on the look out for professional artists who could come in and work with our children. If you know of anyone, please come pop along to the office and let us know. Many thanks.

I would also like to remind you that the consultation period for our 2024-25 Admissions arrangements is open until **5 pm on Wednesday 4th January**. We would really appreciate any comments you might have on the proposals. These comments can be submitted by post or email. More information is available [here](#).

Congratulations to Alfie in Watergate for receiving the first ever '**School Values Trophy**' award for his kind behaviour on the playground.

Finally, I would like to wish all our families and staff a Merry Christmas and I look forward to seeing you all in the New Year,

Best wishes,  
Andy Watkins  
Headteacher



## Celebrating our Citizens of the Week

### 9th December

Holywell – Luke  
Tolcarne – James  
Porth – Hattie  
Fistral – Bruno  
Watergate – Oliver  
Crantock – Ethan

### 16th December

Holywell - Finnley  
Porth - Amelie  
Fistral - Grace  
Watergate - Alfie  
Crantock - Zadie

## Attendance

Thank you for everything you are doing to get children, 'In school, on time, every day and learning ready.'

Our whole school attendance this week is 94.3% We appreciate all of your support in helping us to reach and exceed our target of 96%+.

Well done to Watergate for achieving our highest attendance at 97.7% this week!



A reminder that the first day of the Spring term will be **Wednesday 4th January 2023**. Monday 2nd is a bank holiday and Tuesday 3rd is an inset day.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and see you next year!



A huge thank you our Friends of St. Newlyn East for all the support they have given us this year. From helping to support the cost of our school outings to organizing our end of term treat, Mighty Mayhem Magic Show we appreciate everything you do!

Congratulations on raising an amazing **£1,041.89** on Christmas Fair and **£360** for the wreath-making evening. Thanks to everyone who supported these events.



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## End of term reminders

**Uniform** - At St. Newlyn East Learning Academy we are proud to represent our school in our community. We really appreciate your support in ensuring that children come to school in full school uniform where possible. Uniform includes a blue jumper, red polo shirt, grey trousers, skirts or pinafores and black shoes. PE Kit includes red t-shirts or house t-shirts and black shorts. Please feel free to make use of our uniform store if you need to. Pop into the office if there is anything we can help with,. Thanks!

**Parentpay** - A gentle reminder -please top up your child's ParentPay accounts if your child is having school meals in the New Year. If you have any difficulties signing in to ParentPay, please let us know. We also use ParentPay to record consents for trips and take payments for these, so it is really important that you can access your accounts. Please call the office or



# What we have been up to...

## Holywell

Wow what a busy couple of weeks we have had in Holywell class! To finish off our topic 'Sparkle and Shine' we have been looking at some Christmas traditions from around the world and even managed to experience another very popular Christmas tradition in Great Britain – Panto! The children all thoroughly enjoyed their trip to see Snow White at Lane Theatre in Newquay. We have also been busy writing our letters to Santa ready to walk down and post at the shop this week, and of course were very excited to finally perform our Nativity in front of friends and family – what an amazing job the children all did!! They have certainly well-earned their Christmas break!!



## Tolcarne

Tolcarne have had an amazing two weeks! With Holywell, we performed the 'Big Little Nativity' and we couldn't be prouder of our performance - well done everyone!

In Literacy, we have finished our diary writing and in DT we are making Christmas stockings. We also took a trip to the local shop to post our letters to Santa Claus.

If that wasn't enough, we took a trip to Lane Theatre to watch the Panto 'Snow White'. We'll all be ready for a long break - Merry Christmas everyone and a Happy New Year!

## Porth

Porth Class enjoyed a fantastic visit to Penlee House and Gallery this week. The children were tasked to work as archaeologists to decipher the materials and potential use of artefacts from the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age and created their own Iron Age coins. The children participated with passion, showcasing the knowledge they have learnt throughout the autumn term.

In our DT lessons the children have been working on creating a snack that could be a part of a balanced diet. The children have evaluated existing products, identified a target market for their product and generated appropriate design ideas.



## Fistral

After a very busy term, Fistral Class have finally experienced what it was really like being a Viking using real wooden 'bows and arrows' which were extremely heavy and difficult to aim! A good day was had by all! Our stories are starting to take shape about a Neil Gaiman character called 'Odd' and his adventures. In DT, our tall tea light lamps have been a great success as we worked in teams collaboratively.

'Nedelik Lowen'

from Mrs Jones and Mrs Phillips



## Watergate

Year 5 have been fantastic this term and deserve a well earned break. Within math, we have been consolidating the learning for the term adding, subtracting, rounding and comparing numbers. They have written a biography about Dorothy Vaughn and how she fought racism and sexism. Within the wider curriculum, we have been designing and building doodlers for Year 2 to try out in DT and learning how to play improvise to Jazz music.



## Crantock

As geographers our work around mountains moved on to looking at the resource of water and the role mountains have to play in providing communities with water.

Our Literacy is now based around persuasive adverts in the form of travel guides - the children will soon be writing their own using a range of skills on a place of their choice. In maths, we are still exploring fractions but are now looking at multiplying and dividing fractions and mixed mixed numbers. We have completed an exciting DT unit where the children carried out market research, created a specification designed, made and then evaluated their own energy rich snacks that a mountaineer could eat on an expedition.

