

St Newlyn East Learning Academy



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Dear parents/carers,

What a brilliant fortnight we have had. Last night, we had our Christmas Fair and it was lovely to see so many people from across our local community. My family came along and they told me that it was one of the best Christmas Fairs they have been to! A huge thank you to Nicola and everyone on our fabulous '**Friends of SNELA team**' for all of your efforts, it was a wonderful way to kick off our school's festive celebrations over the next couple of weeks.

It's been a busy week of learning too, with some fantastic trips. Year 5 learnt about climate change at the Eden Project and Year 6 gained an insight into life as a mountaineer at an indoor climbing workshop. Next week, we're looking forward to our Cross Country event for Year 5 and 6 and wish our team luck. We aspire to enter our children into as many sporting events as possible and love to see them taking part. We are also very excited to be pairing with a primary school in Spain for our video project. Please could we have videos from children sent to the school email address by Thursday 15th December. Thank you for your support and thanks to Mrs. Coote for her efforts too.

Our children and families have shown incredible generosity of spirit over the last few weeks, raising funds for Children in Need as well as the Poppy Appeal, we raised an impressive £183.58 and your kind donations for our Ukraine Shoe Box Appeal helped to load 72 vans full of aide for children. Thank you so much.

As we move into the final two weeks of term, there are lots of exciting events coming up from the Nativity to our Christmas market and much more in between. Children are welcome to bring in Christmas cards for each other and we will be spreading lots of Christmas cheer, but we have decided not to run an in-class Secret Santa this year. There will be plenty of festive fun for children to enjoy and I'm really looking forward to sharing this special time of year with yourselves, the children and our happy community.

Have a great weekend.
Best wishes,
Andy Watkins
Headteacher.



Celebrating our Citizens of the Week

25th November

Holywell –Tilly
Tolcarne –Abby-Rose
Porth –Grace
Fistral –Jack
Watergate– Leo
Crantock –Loki

2nd December

Holywell - Rowan
Tolcarne—Bella
Porth - Alayah
Fistral - Eloise
Watergate - Jude
Crantock –Maise

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 94.7% We appreciate all of your support in helping us to reach and exceed our target of 96%+.

Well done to Year 1 for achieving our highest attendance at 98.9% this week!



Car parking in the school car park

Please can we ask that everyone takes extra care when using our school car park. Please, where possible, only park in marked spaces and be mindful that children are moving around the car park during our busy start and end of day periods. Thank you for all of your support in helping to make our school community safe for everyone!



News from the Friends of SNELA

Our Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day will be on Wednesday **7th December** and will feature party favours supplied by the 'Friends of' team.

On Wednesday 14th December children will be treated to a special show from Mighty Mayhem Magic, funded by Nicola and the team—thanks.

On Thursday 15th children will be invited to buy gifts for their loved ones from the Christmas market. Children can purchase up to two gifts and each one will be £1. If you would like children to take part please send up to £2 with them on that day.



Do you need to update your information?

Dear Parent/Carer

We thought it might be helpful to send you a gentle reminder (periodically) to let us know if any of your/ your child's information has changed recently and needs updating on our system.

We've provided some examples below.

- A change of address.
- A change of mobile, home or work telephone numbers.
- A change of GP.
- A change in the medical information we currently hold for your child (including any allergies).
- New emergency contact details or arrangements.



If you have any questions or need any assistance, please contact our office team. Thanks for your support. .

What we have been up to...

Holywell

In Holywell for Maths our Year 1s have been looking at 2D and 3D shapes, comparing the differences in their features, discussing how to group them and creating repeating patterns. Foundation have been showcasing their deepening knowledge of composition, counting and number formation. For science we have been learning about our senses and the body parts we need for them. We also had a go at experiencing what it may be like without our sense of sight through being blindfolded, allowing a partner to lead us around the class whilst feeling different objects to guess what they are. We have also been working hard during rehearsals for our Nativity play, and are starting to become very excited about performing it in front of our adults very soon!



Tolcarne

Tolcarne have been busy rehearsing for the upcoming Nativity show and they are singing beautifully together already. We had a lovely decorating day making gifts for the church Christmas tree. We have moved onto our science topic now and are discovering all the different materials around us and their properties. In PE, we have been practising our balance using the apparatus equipment. In Literacy, we are beginning to write our diary entries as children escaping the Great Fire of London.

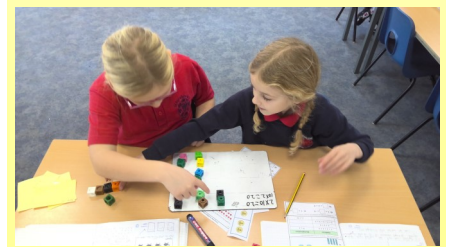


Porth

Fantastic participation with their learning from Porth class over the last 2 weeks!

In Maths we have moved onto our multiplication and division unit of learning. This week the children have been looking at equal and unequal groups and how these can be represented using multiplication.

In Science we are learning about forces and magnets, the children carried out an investigation into which surfaces create the most friction and why.



Fistral

This week in Fistral Class we have started a new book by Neil Gaiman- *Odd and the Frost Giants*, which is another great story based on the myths of Norway and Norsemen. In our IT session this week, we have had a lot of fun learning a new language to programme shapes and colours within coding! In History we have been working on timelines. In Science, fantastic investigation work into circuits this week too!



Watergate

Year 5 have had a brilliant and adventure packed fortnight, they have been focusing on perimeter, shape and area within Maths. They have written a dystopian story using *The Last Wild* as their basis. In the afternoon, they have been focusing on their geography topic 'How are different countries around the world being effected by climate change?' This was finished off with a fantastic trip to The Eden Project to learn about what we can do together. They were so impressed by Year 5's posters they will be making a display in their Learning Zone!



Crantock

We have had a brilliant fortnight in Crantock with a wide range of different types of learning.

As geographers, we have shown passion and perseverance when looking at mountains, why certain mountains are famous and creating scientific programmes for how mountains are formed.

Our Literacy is still based on the book *The Boy in the Tower*; the children have now almost finished writing their first drafts of their own dystopian stories.

In Maths, we are now exploring fractions and looking at different written and mental methods in order to be able to add and subtract mixed numbers.

We were very fortunate to be able to attend an indoor climbing workshop to begin to understand what it is like for mountaineers who are trying to reach the summit of different mountains around the world.

