

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Hello 'Skol Gynsa Trewythelan' - Hello Trewidland Primary and Pre-School

This week has been a hive of activity! Some of you have been helping Mrs Sherrington begin work on the transformation of the outside space. The bio-diversity grant funding is being allocated to all sorts of exciting projects. Thank you too for all those of you who have offered help so far – it really is appreciated.

In school we have been celebrating this week! St Piran's Day was on Thursday (5<sup>th</sup> March) and the children learnt all about the Cornish language and the story of St Piran himself. Then today was our World Book Day celebrations– with a Disney themed event! Class 1 had activities linked to Peter Pan, and then in Class 2 we linked our learning to Toy Story. The children look excellent in their costumes and have been enjoying the event thoroughly.

We also had a visit from Ed Hart of the Liskeard Library earlier in the week. He brought along a Dr Seus book and dressed up as The Cat in the Hat to promote World Book Day. It is always exciting to have visitors and the children really appreciated him sharing a story. Don't forget the library has lots of World Book Day activities going on so please visit if you get the chance.

Looking forward, our school council have decided they would like to raise money for the Gables Cats and Dogs Home. They have decided it will be a non-uniform day – on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April for a £1 donation. We will also support Comic Relief on 20<sup>th</sup> March with their Red Nose Day so feel free to send the children in with their red noses!

Hope you all have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Cummings



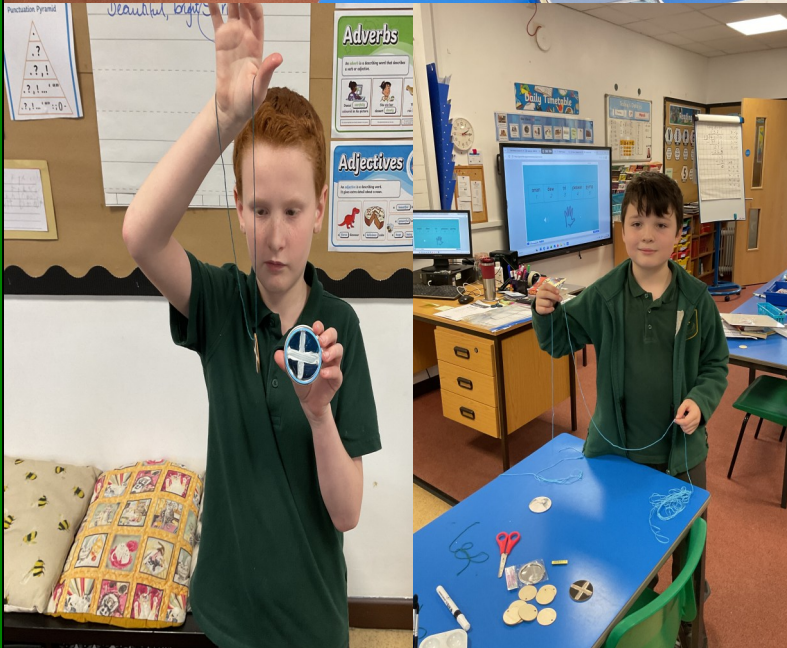
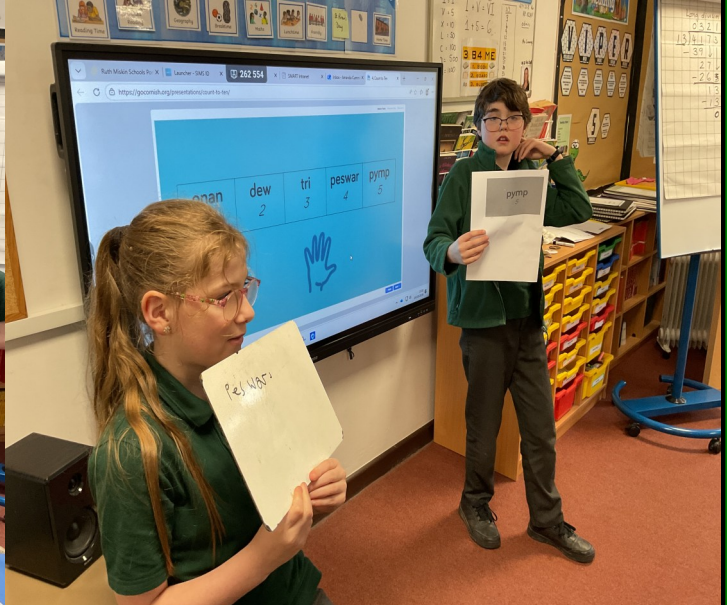
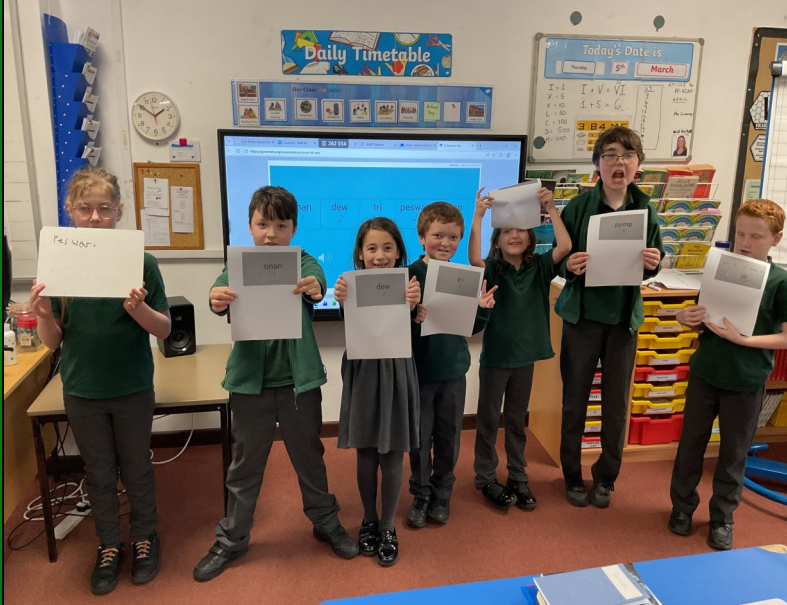
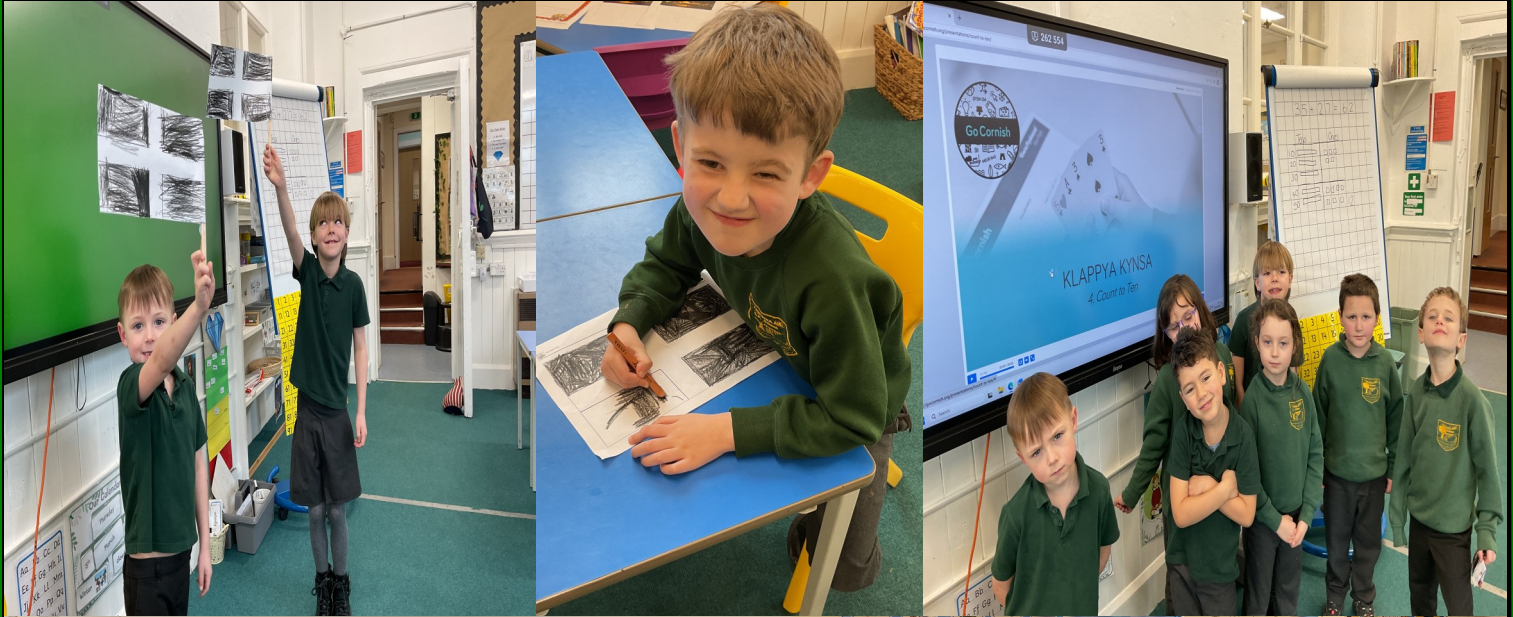


Today the children dressed up for World Book Day in all their wonderful costumes.



# TREWIDLAND PRIMARY & PRESCHOOL

## RHS NATIONAL EDUCATION NATURE PARK



To celebrate St Piran's Day the children have been making Cornish Flags and learning the Cornish language.



# TREWIDLAND PRIMARY & PRESCHOOL

## SCHOOL NOTICE — LEAVE REQUESTS



### LEAVE OF ABSENCE / EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCE LEAVE REQUEST FORM

The law does not grant parents an automatic right to take their child out of school during term time. Any absence from school will disrupt your child's learning. You may consider that a holiday will be educational, but your child will miss out on the teaching that their classmates will receive during your holiday. Attendance is vital to academic success and lost education poses a potential risk of underachievement. This is something we all have a responsibility to avoid.

The Department for Education no longer allows Headteachers to grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances. If you consider that your request for absence is exceptional you will need to complete the form attached to this notification. A response will be sent to you as soon as possible. If leave is not authorised and you nevertheless withdraw your child from school, the absence will be recorded as unauthorised absence.

*If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £80 if paid within 21 days or £160 if paid after this but within 28 days.*

*If your child is further absent from school without authorisation within any 3-year period, you will be committing a further offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices for a second offence are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £160, payable within 28 days. Importantly, fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action such as a parenting order or prosecution will be considered.*

*Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may also result in legal action. If you are prosecuted and attend court because your child has not been attending school, you could get a fine of up to £2,500. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.*

*Absence not authorised by the school may also result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444 (1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Again, Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.*

*Money raised from fines is only used by the local authority to cover the costs of administering the system, and to fund attendance support. Any extra money is returned to the government.*

'Parent' as set out in Section 576 of the Education Act 1996, defines parent to include: natural parents, whether they are married or not; any person or body who has parental responsibility for a child (as defined by the Children Act 1989) and; any person who, although not a natural parent, has care of a child. Having care of a child means a person with whom a child lives and who looks after a child, irrespective of what their relationship is with said child.

All requests must be completed on this form; letters will not be accepted. This form should be returned to the School Office at least 15 school days before the start of the absence.



# TREWIDLAND PRIMARY & PRESCHOOL

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



### After School Gardening Club

Commencing on Thursday 5 March

Every Thursday From 3.15 pm—4 pm

Please ensure the children have appropriate clothing to change into

### After School Dance Club

Every Wednesday

3.15 pm—4.00 pm



### Bags for School Fundraising

Please bring in your unwanted clothes on Monday 9 March

They will be collected on Tuesday 10 March



### Wild Tribe with Mr Jones

Friday 13 March, Friday 20 March

Thursday 26 March, Friday 23 April

Please ensure that children come into school appropriately dressed for wild tribe.

Thank you





# TREWIDLAND PRIMARY & PRESCHOOL

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



**Class 2**  
**Eden Project Trip**  
**Thursday 19 March**  
 Leave from Dobwalls at  
**8.45 am**  
 Collect from Dobwalls at

**Price of Trip**  
**£19.58 to be paid on**  
**Parentpay**  
**Deadline for payment**  
**by Friday**  
**27 February**



The South West Water Safety  
 RNLI Lifeguard Team will be  
 visiting the School on Friday 20  
 March to talk to the children  
 about the importance of being  
 safe in and near the water.



# MHST Wild Wellbeing

MHST, in collaboration with Natural England, Cornwall Wildlife Trust and National Trust, would like you to join us on a FREE Wild Wellbeing session in Cornwall.

This is for parents and children aged 5-12 in Cornwall to help understand and support emotional and mental wellbeing.  
 Please book EACH child on to a session

Each session will last approx. 2 hours

## Locations and dates:

- 07 April - Golitha Falls
- 07 April - The Gardeners House, Penzance
- 14 & 15 April - Penrose Estate
- 16 April - St Ives Community Orchard

More sites and dates may be added so keep checking!

All sessions will begin at 10am. Please wear weather appropriate clothing!



To request a place, complete the online form

<https://forms.office.com/e/CdbKBnMH0q>



Scan to sign up

Please be aware that spaces are limited and assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. If you cannot attend after being allocated a place, inform us so we can give your spot to someone else.

Follow us on Facebook for updates and upcoming events:  
**Cornwall Mental Health Support Team (MHST)**



TREWIDLAND PRIMARY & PRESCHOOL  
EVENTS



# Trewidland Primary & Pre-School



Come along for stories, music and fun!



## Move to the Music: Tales & Tunes



Starting 15 January | 10:30 - 11:30am  
Spring Term - weekly, every Thursday

Free cuppa for grown ups and healthy snack for children  
Early Years session with an adult  
Everyone welcome



For more information, please call  
our office on: **01503 240275**  
Find us on Facebook: @TrewidlandPrimarySchool





## Secret Skills Celebration Certificates

### Class 1

- Michaela for setting herself challenges to improve her writing and organized in helping out her friends
- Oliver for getting involved with his phonics and taking responsibility for learning his sounds.

### Class 2

- James for showing a 'Go for it, Finish it' attitude with his maths
- Sophia for being organized with all her learning

Please could all parents, when dropping off their children in the morning, park in the top car park. This is to avoid congestion at the front of the school and to ensure everyone is safe.

Please could parents label their child's School jumper with their child's name. This would be very helpful. Thank you

### Attendance

2 Mar — 6 Mar 2026

Class 1

100%

Class 2

86%

### Diary Dates

9 Mar—Parents Evening

9 Mar—Bags for School bring in bags

10 Mar—Bags for School collection

13 Mar—Wild Tribe

19 Mar—Class 2 Trip to the Eden Project

20 Mar—RNLI Water Safety visit

20 Mar—Wild Tribe—Red Nose Day

26 Mar— Thursday—Wild Tribe

26 Mar —Biffa Visit—Whole School

2 April—Non-uniform Day—£1 donation

2 April—Break up for Easter Holidays