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Newsletter



We aim to create an exceptional school that harbours confidence, respect and a love of learning and prepares children for the challenges and adventures of life.



Our school choir learning about democracy with Cornwall Council's Chief Executive Officer, Kate Kenally, in the council chambers

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At our last **Celebration Assembly** the **Star Awards** went to Caydan and Heath in Dinghy Class, Zennor, Huxley and Isla in Skiff Class, Isambard, Morwenna and Guanxing in Lugger Class and Elle, Austin and Grace in Schooner Class. This week the awards go to Brayden and Emily in Dinghy Class, Maisie and Riley in Skiff Class, Ben and Meghan in Lugger Class and Morgan and Eliza in Schooner Class. Congratulations, you are all Mousehole stars!



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Monday morning to explore the Iron Age village. They learnt about what the village would have looked like 2000 years ago and how the inhabitants would have lived. We also compared life in Britain during the Iron Age to other civilisations around the world. They had great fun exploring the underground fogou and imagining themselves living there when it was a bustling village. Next stop, the Eden Project to explore the ancient Maya civilisation.



Well done to all the children and adults that took part in the **Spelling Bee** finals on Monday. There was some impressive spelling from Year 1 children all the way up to Year 6; some

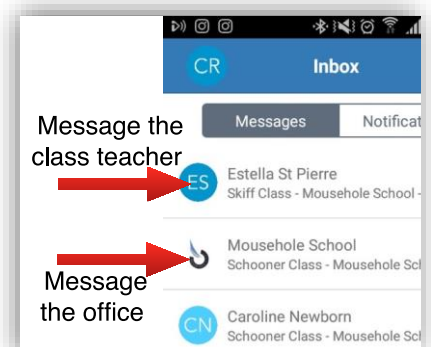
of the adults did quite well too. Thank you to all the children that learnt spellings at home and earned points for their house in the class quizzes. The Spelling Bee has really raised the profile of spelling across the school and we have already seen an improvement in the children's independent spelling and word choices and we are really pleased with the momentum and (ahem) buzz it has created.



Hopefully you are finding it interesting and useful exploring the increasing amount of work the children are posting

in their **Seesaw** journals. We are excited by the learning and recording opportunities technology presents. However, we want you to know that we feel a duty to limit the amount of time the children (especially the younger ones) have to interact with technology in school but also recognise the engagement and motivation it offers “digital natives”.

We also hope you are finding **Seesaw** a practical and easy way for us to share announcements and information with you. It is certainly saving the school on printing and photocopying costs and as we currently have all but two of the children in the school with parents signed up, we believe it offers a great way to communicate with the parent body. We are conscious that we get the balance right between sharing enough information but not too much. Please feel free to use the inbox to contact the school office or teachers direct with non-urgent questions or feedback.



This is a very busy term music wise! Firstly - huge well done to the children who performed in Truro on **World Peace Day**. We were so proud of you all for singing with such enthusiasm and brightening the day of those who were lucky enough to see and hear you all!

There is currently space in all instrumental tuition groups at the moment. Tuition is available in voice, keyboard, double bass, guitar, woodwind, drums and violin. If your child is interested, please pop in or send a note in to the office. Please be aware that there are different starting ages for different instruments.

Paul Feast Concert Wednesday 10th October – everyone is welcome to this lovely annual event. We will be meeting in Paul Hall at 6:10pm. The concert starts at 6:30pm in St Pol de Leon Church followed by refreshments. Children need to wear school uniform. If your child is interested in performing an instrumental solo, there are a few slots available so please let Ms Judge know via the school office on Wednesday 3rd October.

Paul Feast Tea Treat - The children are invited to sing at the tea treat in Paul the day after the concert (Thursday, 11th October). This takes place at 3:30pm so parents are asked to bring any children who would like to perform themselves. Please let Ms Judge know if you would like your child to sing.

BBC Children In Need National Choir - The older children in the school have been invited to be part of the televised BBC Southwest Choir forming part of the Children In Need National Choir 2018. We are one of only six participating schools in the Southwest so this is a fantastic opportunity for our children. A letter with more details for the day will follow nearer the time.

Tate Gallery Winter Festival - We have been invited once again to participate in the Tate Winter Festival on Saturday, 1st December. This event is open to all of our school choir. There will be a letter with more details on nearer to the time but please save the date now!

Thank you as always for your support with all our musical activities in school - Ms Judge.