

Crowan Primary School – Newsletter



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Releath	Trenoweth	Pengelly	Crenver
98.5%	95%	95.2%	94.2%

Well done to Releath Class. Total school attendance this week – 95.3%.

Golden Ticket winners this week – Matthew.G and Harry. W (for playing well with other children at lunchtime and including others in their games)

Crenver Class Assembly – The children performed some of their own Japanese garden music which they have been composing with Miss. Judge and shared a PowerPoint slide-show of their geographical fieldwork which they undertook this week at Gwithian Towans. The children also performed their wishing story 'The King of the Horses' to the audience before explaining the significance of 'Poppy Day' by providing details of historical events connected to the Second World War and the Armistice.

PTFA –The PTFA has now been running for 5 years and has raised in the region of £19, 500. These funds have been used to supply equipment and resources to improve the children's educational experiences, whilst numerous events have been arranged to provide the children with fun and memorable experiences during their primary school years. Mrs. Willoughby has been a committee member from the beginning but no longer has a child at the school and has decided to resign from the committee. She has our hugest thanks for the many hours she has devoted to the cause. Mrs. Brown has also finished her term of office and again we would like to thank her very much for all her efforts as Chair. Regrettably the PTFA AGM on Monday saw no new volunteers coming forward to help organise future events or to stand for the committee.

The very committed nucleus of parents who routinely turn out to support activities and undertake the fundraising naturally feel disappointed by the apparent lack of interest from other parents. The events which have already been set-up leading up to Christmas will continue. **Beyond this there will be no further PTFA activity unless new volunteers come forward.** This means no children's discos, no bingo evenings, no Whitsun Fair, no future subsidies for trips and theme weeks (e.g. Arts Week, whole school trip to the Maritime Museum..), no teas and coffees at various school functions, no funding for the 'little extras' that help all of your children

(e.g. bark for the climbing apparatus, books for the library, stage lighting, mat for the Reception children , lollies at Sports Day, wet playtime games...) Remember – this is your child's school, your PTFA, your chance to get involved – the more that do, the lighter the load, the more that can be achieved. Please contact Miss. Lynne or the school if you want to see the PTFA continue.

PTFA Shopping Trip to Exeter – With 5 weeks until Christmas do you fancy a shopping trip to Exeter? On Saturday, 19th November, leaving Praze square at 7.30 am and leaving Exeter at 5.00 pm for the journey home. £14.00 per person. Still 8 places available – please ring Julia Harry on (01209) 832219 or 07788 823439 before Tuesday.

PTFA Cracking Christmas Fair – Friday, 25th November from 6.30 pm. All sorts of craft stalls, School Choir, refreshments, raffle – spread the word!

School Council – The School Council will be selling spotty wrist-bands for **Children in Need Day** next Friday – available for £1.00 whilst stocks last. They would like parents to send along buns and cakes to sell at break-time on the day with all the proceeds going to Pudsey Bear. The children have also persuaded staff to agree to a '**mad hair**' day with contributions of 50p for each child going to Children in Need. The target to beat from last year is £141.95.

Sam Gambier - will be making his return to Praze on Saturday, 12th November at 1.00 pm. We hope as many as possible will turn out to welcome Sam home and congratulate him on completing his amazing quest.

Remembrance Day – Kian and Jordan. B proudly represented Crowan Primary at the Remembrance Service in Camborne this morning and everyone in the school observed 2 minutes silence at 11.00 am.

House Points this week: Godolphin was the clear winner this week. 21 points ahead of Trevarno.

Sports News – This was a fantastic week for our sporting children. The school **football team** played Rosemellin yesterday after school and ran out 7-3 winners! Congratulations to – Joe, Leo, Jordan. H, Matthew. V, Kian, Harry.W and Christopher. Meanwhile our children also had



great success in the local area **swimming gala** – 7 golds and 1 silver. Well done to: Matthew.V, Mark, Annabel, Harry. J, Jasmine, Aidan, Jessamin and Ella.

Pensions Dispute – The extent to which the school will be affected by the public sector day of strike action in protest at government pension reforms is not yet known. Please be forewarned that some, if not all classes, may be closed on Wednesday, 30th November. We will keep you up to date as events unfold over the coming days.

Health & Safety – Please remember that only children may use the children’s toilets and changing rooms. Parents must not go into these to help their children get changed or for any other reason. We must also remind you that dogs are not permitted on to school property – certain young children at the school are intimidated and frightened by dogs. The Fire Drill this week saw a successful and timely evacuation of the building – well done to ‘Little Beebles’ especially, since the call came right at the end of their morning session.

Dates –

Saturday, 12 th November	Sam Gambier returns to Praze
Tuesday, 15 th November	Governor Finance Committee meeting, 5.00 pm
Friday, 18 th November	Children in Need ‘Mad Hair’ Day and Bun-bake
Saturday, 19 th November	PTFA Shopping Trip to Exeter

