# Crowan Primary School – Newsletter

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| 100% | 94.3% | 97.2% | 95.8% |

**Congratulations to Releath.**
**Overall attendance this week – 96.3%**

**Golden Ticket Winners –** Hattie Hall & Marcus Roberts

**Bring & Buy Sale –** The School Council raised £49.70 for the WaterAid charity last week - fantastic effort! Well done to all of the School Council members who stayed on after school to organise the sale.

**Youth Speaks Competition –** Round 2 of the competition was judged on Tuesday by Mrs. Carpenter, Miss. Phillips and Alvine Holmes from the Rotary Club. All three judges were impressed by the quality of the presentations and had a tough decision to make but agreed that the 3 teams to progress to Round 3 at the Lowennac Hotel next week were: Ellie, Molly & Ashleigh; Charlotte, Chloe & Bronwen; Ella, Jessica & Jess. Miss Phillips is immensely proud of all of the teams who have taken part this year.

**Sports News –** The **football** team had an away match against Trevithick Academy yesterday. After a close contest, Crowan won through 2-1. Well done to Joe T, Oliver R, Callum F, Harry W, Kian K, Matthew V and Leo J.

**Crowan Feast –** The children from school joined the members of the Trelawney Singers for an evening of song, poetry and prayer at Crowan Church on Monday evening. The retiring collection raised £51.16 for Children's Hospice South West. A big thank you to everyone who came along and to Miss. Judge and Mrs. Northey for organising the school's contribution.

**Health & Safety –** We have received concerned comments from parents who have noticed cars pulling into the school car park at speed at the end of the school day. Please, please take every care – children are especially vulnerable and don't always think to look! Also we have again been asked to remind parents that dogs should not be brought on to the school site – not even if they are being carried.

**Attendance –** The school has a statutory duty to take a register of attendance at the beginning of both the morning and afternoon sessions. We are further obliged to monitor the attendance and punctuality of all children, and to present this data to the Educational Welfare Service and OfSTED upon request. We have been supplied with a model letter to help inform parents of their child's attendance where it falls below 90% for whatever reason and supply an attendance record sheet so that we can be certain that absences have been correctly coded. Further letters will be sent for as long as the attendance remains below 90% even if there is an improvement. Parents have a legal duty to ensure good attendance by their children and the EWO will seek assurances from the school that poor attendance is being addressed. The government now classifies those with less than 85% attendance as being 'persistent absentees' – this is equivalent to a child missing nearly a day a week of schooling. At Crowan Primary we have an enviable record and wish to keep attendance high – our target is 96%. Please continue to inform the school on the first and subsequent days of your child's absence, and remember to send an explanatory letter when your child returns to school.

**February for Pancakes – Tues 21 February –** Menu: Sausage, onion gravy and chips or baked cheese and tomato pancake with chips; peas and beans or salad platter. Pancake with ice cream and fruit or a piece of fresh fruit. All orders must be received by 8th February (even if your child is entitled to a Free School Meal). Could we please also request that the school is kept up to date of any food allergies children may have.

**House Points –** This week the winning team is... Clowance!

**Dates –**

Tuesday, 7th February Youth Speaks competition (Camborne- Pool- Redruth schools round)
Wednesday, 9th February Football match v Troon
Monday, 20th February PTFA meeting, 7.30 pm