Newsletter wb 6th November 2023

Everyone is welcome at our school.

Everyone is different, but everyone is equal.

There are no outsiders at St Minver School

### We will remember them

Thank you to everybody who attended last night's firework party and I hope you all had lots of fun. The children were very excited to tell us their news from the night before. A special thank you to all those involved in organising such a complex event and for ensuring all went smoothly and safely. We are so lucky to have such a dedicated team of PTA committee members. Do remember that all families are automatically PTA members and we are always looking for more people to become actively involved—even if you can't do every event. We believe we took over £1,100 which is FABULOUS and will subsidise transport to swimming, Christmas crafts and more!

This week in assembly we talked about Remembrance Day. I asked the children what 'peaceful' means to them and therefore what 'peace' is and did they think our world was 'peaceful'. We talked about the different types of poppies—red, purple, white and black—and why people might have different reasons for wearing them. And this morning we gathered for a minute's silence ahead of tomorrow, too. Well done to the children for marking the moment so thoughtfully and a special mention to Year 6 for reading some wartime poetry to us.

I hope you have found this week's parent consultations useful. Children truly do achieve better when there is a sound relationship between home and school, so we thank you for working in partnership with us, for your child's benefit. We look forward to meeting with parents of children with an IEP next week and, for those few parents who have not made an appointment for this week, I urge you to get in touch and set up a time that suits you and your child's teacher please.

Don't forget that next week we have our Parent Forum Meetings at 2pm and 6pm on Tuesday November 14th. We plan to discuss child wellbeing at this first termly meeting of the year and will build an idea of the next agenda as a result of this meeting.

Mrs J Rodwell
Head of School

Our second hand uniform rail is in the front foyer. There is a pot to leave your money under the rail, 50p per item. We have many items in good clean condition so grab yourself a bargain and support the PTA at the same time.

 PLEASE LOAD DINNER MONEY ACCOUNTS BEFORE YOUR CHILD HAS A MEAL



WEEK 2 of the menu next week

### **Important Dates**

wb 13/11/23 IEP Parent Consultations

13/11/23 1.30pm—2.30pm & 3.30pm—4.30pm Reception open day—for children starting reception in Sept 2024

14/11/23 Parent Forum 2pm & 6pm

17/11/23 Children in Need

21/11/23—School Nurse to take height and weight measurements from children in Reception and Year 6

30/11/23 Clubs End

01/12/23 Christmas Jumper day (and every Friday in December)

01/12/23 Open Classrooms

05/12/23 Christmas Fayre

12/12/23 1pm K\$1 Christmas Performance

12/12/23 2.15pm & 5.30pm KS2 Christmas Performance

13/12/23 5.30pm K\$1 Christmas Performance

13/12/23 Christmas Dinner

14/12/23 Secret Room

18/12/23 Whole School Cinema Trip—further information to follow

19/12/23 Term ends

04/01/24 Spring Term Starts

#### Christmas jumper donation shout out!

Please can we have your unwanted Christmas jumpers for our second hand rail, ready for families to purchase or exchange for our Christmas jumper days—Children are invited to come to school wearing their Christmas jumpers on every Friday in December.

Is your child due to start Reception in September 2024? If so, popalong to our reception open day to meet our reception teacher Mrs Warren and get a taste of what we can offer your child in Cowrie class. No need to book, just pop along on

Monday 13th November, 1.30pm-2.30pm or 3.30pm-4.30pm.







# **Stars of the week!**

We are delighted to confirm that the following children were awarded Star of the Week today!



**Cowrie:** Brax for super progress with his reading and Luna for creating a lovely story map for her story 'Turtle Babies'.

**Daymer:** Phoebe for some lovely independent writing this week, illustrated beautifully too! And Rocco, for amazingly fluent reading with wonderful comprehension.

**Greenaway:** Ernie for wonderful writing and for always staying so focused during independent tasks. Lillie-Mae for beautiful joining and wonderful work on addition.

**Lundy:** Harry and Thea for being superstar readers.

**Porthilly:** Faith and Flo for working so hard on their entries for the '500 words' Story writing competition.

**Rock:** Ben for being an excellent example of a Year 6 St Minver pupil. Emily for working so hard in maths and showing great improvement.

PLEASE NOTE that Cornwall Christmas Box are NOT collecting this year, so please make any food donations you'd like to make straight to a Foodbank or via supermarket collection points.

## Contact us

If you wish to get in touch please contact us in one of the following ways:

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# **Priceless Playtimes!**

Our school motto is "Be brave, be k

kind, belong"

Who has been a great ambassador in demonstrating these values this week?

**Isabelle** for her kindness and for sharing, **Emily** for looking after an upset younger child, **Ernie** for checking in on a friend when they hurt themselves.

**Coco and Flores** for telling awesome jokes, **Connie** for kindness shown.

**Jemima** for helping a friend when they were upset and **Eddie** for great litter picking.