

## St Minver School

Head of School: Mrs A Warren

#### Friday 27th September 2024

What I really love about our school is the people in it and the people supporting it. The children continue to develop flourishing friendships and good attitudes to learning – there is always so much to celebrate! And thank you to those of you who were able to come along to 'Wake and Shake' and stay for refreshments after. It's lovely to have the opportunity to welcome you into school for these more informal moments.

Bravery vs Courage and Fear This week we have been considering the difference between bravery and courage. There is definitely a place for saying "Be brave" but somehow having courage just feels more powerful. Having courage is digging deep. Courage is not the absence of fear, it's making the action in spite of fear (M. Scott Peck). How can we support each other with this? We can give someone else courage – we can encourage.



**Weekly Challenge** So this week the children were set the challenge of encouraging one another, to be each other's champions and a voice of encouragement. I am so proud to report that there are a number of children across our school encouraging one another.

**Our Nursery is thriving!** We are so proud of the way in which our nursery provision provides the very best start for our children. Our sessions are mostly full, but we want to keep growing our school so last week we interviewed for a nursery assistant to join our team. I'm delighted to let you know that we will be welcoming Mrs Melanie Borrott later on this term. It's a really exciting time for our school as we look for ways to continue to develop and expand our provision.

**Coming up...** Just a few reminders for the next two weeks:

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September – Individual school photos
Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October – Polzeath Class trip to Porthilly
Week Beg Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October – Teacher/Parent meetings
Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October – Daymer Class to visit the zoo
Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October – Harvest Breakfast
Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October – Girls' Football Festival
Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October – Wear Yellow for World Mental Health Day
Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October – Greenaway Class trip to Porthilly

Please share dates to class WhatsApp groups as I am aware that not everyone has a chance to read the newsletter.

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**PTA** I'm really excited to start working more closely with our wonderful PTA. Without their hard work and dedication we wouldn't be able to offer extra opportunities for our children. The PTA are meeting on **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 6pm** at school and welcome new members. Please come along and get involved.

**Coats** Autumn has arrived and coats are needed in school please. It's great to keep the children outside in a variety of weather conditions but they need to be dressed appropriately.

**Parent/Teacher Meetings** You will be able to book a meeting with your child's class teacher on Arbor from 6pm this evening. There is also an option to meet with me if you would like to.

And finally, thank you to our whole school community for another lovely week!

Kind regards,

Alicia Warren Head of School

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Stars of the Week	
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Daymer	Pixie
	For always being so kind to her friends.
	Alice
	For being such a brilliant, confident reader.
Greenaway	Harold
	For excellent work in geography and understanding our place in
	the world.
	Patrick
	For sharing his wonderful knowledge all about The Great Fire of
	London so confidently to the class.
	Stanley
	For brilliant work in science and sorting pictures into things that
	are alive, used to be alive and were never alive.
Lundy	Louis and Florence
	For great focus, use of skills and care with their artwork.
Polzeath	Anna
	For her positive and accurate contributions in English lessons.
	Hattie and Isaac
	For their determination to find all possible solutions to extra
	challenges set in maths.
Rock	Otis
	For trying so incredibly hard to improve his presentation and
	for being a constant encouragement to others in school. What
	a legend!
	Edith
	For showing real dedication to her role as a prefect and for
	working so hard in class! Star!

#### **Special Mentions**

Thank you to **Ollie B** and **Zac** (Polzeath Class) for being kind and caring towards the younger members of our team. Thank you to **Bonnie** (Daymer Class) for showing kindness and compassion to her friend who was hurt. **Finlay** (Greenaway) is always being so imaginative at playtime and includes everyone in his games and **Minnie** (Cowrie Class) always uses such gentle hands and shows her huge smile to cheer up friends when they are sad. **Ethan** (Polzeath Class) has been so kind supporting Freddie in class with his broken arm this week.

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