

Date: 7 January 2022



OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT

GODREVY: Molly

FISTRAL: Reuben W-C

MOUSEHOLE: Dillon

TREEN: Rory

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Birthday wishes for this week and over the Christmas holidays go to:

Rocco C and Leo

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL

Welcome back for the start of another term and another year. Although Covid continues to influence how we live our lives, the school is open and we hope that this remains the case.

This is a special year for us, as we celebrate 100 years. The School was opened on 3 April 1922 and we want to mark the centenary with some special events - Covid permitting. At this stage plans are very much at an early stage, but we are hoping to have a thanksgiving service in the village Church on Sunday, 3 April and then hold a celebratory event here at School on the following Saturday, 9 April. All the children will be involved in both events. The main event on 9 April will include an exhibition and display, telling the history of the School, and there will be entertainment and refreshments but, most importantly, the chance for current and former pupils, staff and friends of the School to get together and share their memories.

Mrs Culmer, the School Secretary, has also been busy over the past year, piecing together the history of the School and her book, *'One Hundred Years & Counting, A History of St Erth School: 1922 - 2022'* will be available to purchase nearer the time. The book aims to raise funds for the School and will provide a comprehensive overview of all the events that took place at School, as well as those in the wider world that have shaped it. Further details soon.

We sincerely hope that the whole community of St Erth and the school are able to come together and celebrate the centenary. It has been more apparent than ever over the past 2 years of disruption by Covid, how integral a role the school plays in the whole community. Through her research for the book Mrs Culmer has been struck by the strong memories former pupils have of the school and their lasting affection for it. Please mark the dates in your diary, cross your fingers for good weather and come and join us at these special events.

EARLY HELP SUPPORT

Our Family Support Worker, Christine King, will be available to offer telephone advice next Thursday, 13 January, between 9.30am and 11.30 am.

If you wish to book a slot to speak to her during these times please let us know and we will pass on your details to her so she can call you.

CLUBS

Clubs will resume next week - details of what is on offer were sent home yesterday. The Cookery Club is already full and the second group will start their sessions on Monday.

SWIMMING - Year 2 will start swimming next week. A letter was sent home on Tuesday. Please make sure that all permission slips are sent back by Monday.



School Admissions September 2022

The online application system for places in our Reception class for next September is still open. Detailed information about the admissions process is available online at:

www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

The deadline for application is 15 January 2022

Meet one of our Governors: Joanne Moseley



'I moved to St Erth from Essex one year ago with my husband and two daughters. Before I had my children I was a Learning Support Assistant (LSA) in a Special Educational Needs school. While employed as an LSA I completed a BA Honours in Special Educational Needs and Inclusive education. After my degree I completed my PGCE to become a qualified teacher. I taught in a school in Walthamstow, London for six years and fulfilled additional SENCO duties and was elected as a staff governor.

To have the role of a parent governor and coming from an educational background I believe I will have a strong commitment to improving the outcomes of children. I look forward to training on the latest requirements and expectations and to develop my skills in order to make an effective contribution to governance. Although my eldest daughter has only attended St Erth school for a short while she is extremely happy there and loves to be greeted in the morning by Mr Coleman and Mrs Thomas.'

Updated Coronavirus Guidance -

Further guidance was sent home earlier this week.

The latest advice from the government is as follows:

- Book a PCR test for anyone in your household who develops Covid symptoms.
- Anyone who is notified that they are a close contact of a positive case should take a lateral flow test daily for 7 days. They do not need to isolate unless they develop symptoms, in which case they should book a PCR test.
- Please limit social contact as much as you can to reduce the spread of the virus.

We also request that if possible all parents, carers and older siblings of school aged children test twice weekly, in line with school staff, using a lateral flow test.