# **NEWSLETTER**

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# A message from our Head Teachers......

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely seeing all of the children back after the Christmas break and watching them throw themselves into their new topics and learning. A number of classes have completed motivator days and there has been fantastic cooking, art and visits going on throughout school.

On 9th February from 2:15—3:15pm we have family support worker drop-in sessions available at school which are open to all parents and carers who would like support or advice. There is no need to book—just turn up.



In school we are continuing with our focus on oracy—the art of speaking and listening. Being able to express yourself confidently and fluently in speech is a vital life skill. Each week Mrs Bishop will be posting Oracy Friday activities, games or discussion prompts on Class Dojo to try at home to help to develop oracy skills.

Thank you all for your continuing support.

Ms Smith and Mrs Bennett

#### **Attendance**

Please note that you need to complete an exceptional leave form for any planned absence. No holidays are authorised and will be subject to a penalty. Please ensure that you follow the latest government guidance for Covid-19 and report to school immediately if your child or anyone in your household has symptoms/needs to isolate.

Seagulls – 96.3% Jellyfish - 97.9% Seahorses - 84.5% Limpets - 94% Lobsters - 95.4%

Turtles - 93.3% Puffins - 93.3% Octopuses - 98.3% Seals – 89.3%

Basking Sharks – 91% WHOLE SCHOOL - 93.3%



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#### **Puffin Class**

Puffins have been creating artwork inspired by Space. They had a lot of fun recreating artwork by Kandinsky and Picasso.



#### **Lobster Class**

Limpet class have started the new year by studying Lavender and Bees; we analysed the artwork and then tested different media to see which would enable us to create a collage with the same texture and colours as real lavender. We then created our final piece by colouring dried lavender to give it back its brightness.

















#### **Seal Class**

Seal class enjoyed a ww1 and WW2 motivator day. We learnt all about rationing and baked a



wartime read recipe and a chocolate spread. The chocolate mashed potato spread was not as bad as they expected!

#### **Limpet Class**

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Limpets have been investigating what plants need to grow strong and healthy. We looked carefully at our learning and decided that our Rose of Jericho was most definitely dead however, we put it in some water and it soon opened up and turned back to being green and soft instead of crunchy and brown!



#### **Seagull Class**

On Monday Seagull Class went to
Falmouth Art Gallery for a
workshop. As part of our mini topic on
Nepal we looked at different
mountainous landscape paintings for
inspiration and then created our own
wax resist paintings of Mount Everest.















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#### **Basking Sharks Class**

This week, we have enjoyed making wartime rationing recipes (there were mixed reviews 2), learning about how WW1 affected life in Britain and beyond and designing printing tiles of iconic London buildings that were around during the Blitz in WW2. Next week, we will be learning about the long and short-term causes of WW1 and WW2, how life in Britain changed during WW2 and how propaganda was used.



#### **FREE Multi Sport Club**

The Dracaena Centre are welcoming children to join their Sports Coach each Tuesday during the school term. You can try basketball, badminton, archery, football and much

more!

6-10 years 4.15pm - 5.00pm 11-14 years 5.30pm – 6.30pm



To find out more contact the Dracaena Centre on: 01326 319414 or email: kieran@dracaenacentre.org

# **IMPORTANT DATES**

2022-2023

## **Spring Term**

3rd Jan—31st March Half Term 13th—17th Feb



#### **Summer Term**

17th April—21st July Half Term 30th May—2nd



### **Inset Days**

10th Feb, 5th Jun, 24th & 25th July

# **Bank Holidays**

2nd Jan, 7th & 10th April, 1st & 29th May



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