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Dobwalls CP School



"There are many little ways to enlarge your world. Love of books is the best of all."

— Jacqueline Kennedy

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you know Miss Mabin and Miss Stephenson are sadly leaving us at the end of this term. After a recent recruitment process I am pleased to announce that Miss Gaskin will be joining us as Year 2 teacher and Miss Naismith as Year 4 teacher from January. They are both looking forward to meeting the children and parents in due course and joining our team. We have also welcomed Mrs Luther as Teaching Assistant each morning in Y2. Mrs Vickers is now working each morning in Y6 and Mrs Smith is in the office each morning.

From January, we will be extending our school day to be in line with Dfe requirements which are to be in place by September 2024 to ensure all children across the country are provided with 32.5 hours of school time education. This means our school day will commence at 8:50am and finish at 3:20pm. The morning gate will be open from 8:40am - 8:50am.

This week, classes have all started their new topics and parent information has been sent out via class teachers along with a homework menu and knowledge organisers. We hope you find these useful in keeping up to date with what your children are currently learning. Please note the homework menus do give an element of choice and we do not expect children to complete everything on there.

Next week, we look forward to parent's evenings on Monday and Wednesday where teachers will be providing you with a summary progress sheet of your children's current attainment, effort and attendance.

Best wishes. Mrs Pipe, Headteacher

Family Worker Drop in Session

Family Worker, Tara Lewis, is holding a drop in session on Thursday 16th November 2:15pm - 3:15pm here at school. All parents and carers welcome to pop in at any time during the hour for confidential and supportive parenting advice. She can give you ideas or sign post to help on a range of issues.

Poppies

We will be selling poppies for the Royal British Legion next week. They also offer items with suggested donations—zip pulls/reflectors (50p), wristbands (£1) and snap bands (£1.50). These are suggested donations but are based on covering their cost plus a small profit. The poppies of course are available for whatever you wish to donate.

Children in Need

Children in Need is on Friday 18th November. This year children can wear school uniform and accessorise with spots! Donations can be made via ParentPay using this link https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=12595 There will also be a bake sale - spotty cakes or

<u>Default.aspx?shopid=12595</u> There will also be a bake sale - spotty cakes or biscuits! A prize will be awarded for the spottiest and the cakes will be sold at break time.

After School Clubs

Please note that, with the exception of the GoActive club on Monday, there will be no clubs next week due to parent/teacher meetings.

<u>Last week's SECRET Skills Powerful Learners</u>							
Lerryn	Zena & Erin	Tamar	Arlo, Isabel & Gracie				
Fowey	Neveah & Freya	Lynher	Yasmin & Ebony				
Loveny	Emmie & Scarlet	Camel	Coco-Rose & Harry				
Valency	Bobby & Zara						

<u>Diary Dates</u>				
2 Nov	Open Evening New Intake 2024			
3 Nov	Y1 trip to Truro Museum			
10 Nov	Nov Nasal Flu immunisations			
13 Nov	Odd Socks Day			
17 Nov	Children in Need Day			
21 Nov	Governor meeting			
20-22 Nov	Book Fair			
24 Nov	Non-pupil day			
28 Nov	Y1 hearing screening			
29 Nov	Coffee morning			
8 Dec	Christmas Jumper Day - Thursday			
13 Dec	Infant Xmas performance 2pm at school			
13 Dec	Pupil Xmas lunch			
18 Dec	PTFA Xmas Fayre			
<u>19 Dec</u>	**Children finish at 1:00pm			
20 Dec- 3 Jan	CHRISTMAS BREAK			
24 Jan	Governor meeting			
12-16 Feb HALF TERM				
19 Feb Non-pupil day				
4 -15 Mar	Y5 & Y3 swimming lessons			
4 Mar	Governor meeting			
11 Mar	Photographer in school—teams/classes			
29 Mar-12 Apr	EASTER BREAK			
6 May	BANK HOLIDAY			
8 May	Governor meeting			
13-16 May	KS2 SATS week			
27-31 May	HALF TERM			
3 Jun	Non-pupil day			
24 Jun Governor meeting				
23 Jul Children finish at 1:00pm				
24 Jul	Non-pupil days			
25 Jul -3 Sep SUMMER BREAK				
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Coffee Morning

Coffee morning 29th November here at school. Everyone welcome!

PE Kits

Please see our website for uniform reminders

Children will need to come to school dressed in their PE kit on PE days.

Long hair should be tied back. Please wear their usual school jumper/cardigan.

Δ	reminder	of the	school	PF Kit

Monday Y3
Tuesday Y5
Wednesday Y1/2
Thursday EYFS/Y6
Friday Y4

Black shorts/leggings/skorts with plain coloured t-shirt (team colours) or white t-shirt and plimsolls/trainers. (No team football kits, running gear or other attire should be worn for P.E. or after school clubs unless specified by the teacher in charge of that club.) During the winter, plain black leggings or jogging bottoms may be worn for outdoor games.

Attendance Stars

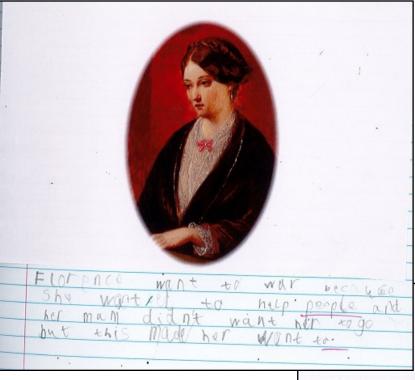
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	Lerryn	Fowey	Loveny	Valency	Tamar	Lynher	Camel
	94%	97%	98%	88%	96%	92%	92%

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Star Learner



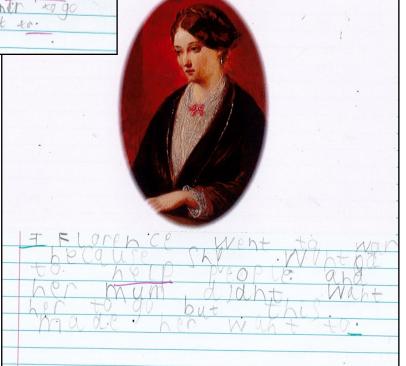
The star learners this week are Spencer and Harry in Year 2. This half term Loveny class are learning about Florence Nightingale. In one of their lessons this week, we looked at evidence as to why Florence went to the Crimean war as a nurse. Spencer and Harry did an amazing job of writing two reasons why Florence went to war. Well done to both Spencer and Harry!





Spencer



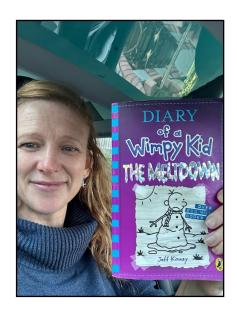


Harry

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Dobwalls School Recommends





Diary of a Wimpy Kid Recommended by Mrs Orchard

This week's book recommendation in truth comes from Jo and Charlie in Camel Class. They have been so enjoying the Diary of a Wimpy Kid series that Mrs Orchard decided to give one a go over the half-term break. Well, she absolutely loved it and was reportedly laughing out loud as she read about Greg navigating through the art of street warfare on a snow day! If you are already enjoying books from this series but are looking to branch out, see the book tree image to give you some other reading ideas.

