



Welcome Back

I hope you all enjoyed the half term break and are ready for Spring to appear! We're looking forward to an exciting term ahead.

Home – School Communication: eSchools

This half term we are moving all of our home-school communication to eSchools: one easy to access platform. We will gradually migrate all communication across so that by the end of Spring term we will no longer be using Class Dojo or Teachers to Parents text or email. eSchools already host our school website and offer a text and email service similar to the current system we have in place although you will not be able to text back.

We ask that all communication to school comes through the office email piasecretary@pia.celtrust.org or telephone 01208 880494.

Your child will be bringing home a letter on Monday with your login details and instruction on how to access the web based platform and/or how to download the eSchools App. These will be a one stop shop for information about the school: our school newsletter; school calendar dates and any messages or emails that have been sent out.

We will have:

- eSchools website.
- eSchool parent platform– accessed through the login tab on the school website.
- eSchools app– an easy place to find all communication from the school.
- School Facebook page for celebrating learning and events in school.
- Staff emails available.
- Nippers Nursery and Seal Pups Reception will still use Tapestry.

The graphic is a vertical rectangle with a green background. At the top, it says 'eSchools App' in white. Below that, it says 'Receive notifications and stay in touch with your school'. Then, it says 'Download the app on' with arrows pointing to two buttons: 'App Store' (with the Apple logo) and 'Google Play' (with the Google Play logo). Below these buttons is a QR code. At the bottom left is a cartoon blue penguin character. A speech bubble from the penguin says 'Search for your school, then enter your login details!'. At the very bottom, it says 'For more information, visit: eschools.co.uk/app' and the eSchools logo with the tagline 'MAKING SCHOOLS CLICK'.

Staffing Update

I would like to introduce some new faces in school and thought perhaps a current staffing overview might be helpful.

Jan Pascoe is currently out of the office, and so colleagues from CELT will be offering admin support in her absence. Please continue to use piasecretary@pia.celtrust.org or call the school on 01208 880494 to contact us, it would be helpful for staff answering the phone if you could ensure you give your child's name, class and year group so that messages can be passed along efficiently.

Sarah Martin is currently off and Mel Waters, who has recently joined the staff as part of our EYFS team, will be covering in her absence. Mel is an experienced Early Years teacher and is looking forward to joining the team.

It is with regret we have to announce that Claire Oxenbury has decided to resign from her post to pursue other adventures. We would like to take this opportunity to thank her for her contribution during her time at Port Isaac and I am sure you will join us in wishing her every success in the future. Darren Hoare will be teaching Puffin Class fulltime for the rest of the Academic Year and we will schedule a time where Puffin Class parents can meet Mr Hoare.

If anyone would like an opportunity to discuss any of this please don't hesitate to contact me.

Staff Member	Role	Email/Phone
Main Contact	Office	piasecretary@pia.celtrust.org 01208 880494
Emma Williams	Headteacher Designated Safeguarding Lead	piahead@pia.celtrust.org
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Juliet Eaves	Dolphin Class HLTA Year 5 & 6 Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead	jhaynes@pia.celtrust.org
Darren Hoare	Puffin Class Teacher Year 3 & 4	Please use piasecretary@pia.celtrust.org and the message will be forwarded
Sam Collins	Puffin Class HLTA Year 3 & 4	scollins@pia.celtrust.org
Kate Stark	Seal Class Teacher Year 1 & 2	kstark@pia.celtrust.org
Louise Horwell	Seal Class HLTA Year 1 & 2	lhorwell@pia.celtrust.org
Mel Waters	Seal Class Cover Teacher Nursery & Reception am Whole Phase EYFS & KS1 pm	mwaters@pia.celtrust.org
Sophie Stevenson	Nippers Nursery Assistant	sstevenson@pia.celtrust.org

Year 3/4 Residential to Okehampton Youth Hostel: 22nd - 24th April 2024

Thank you for your interest in the Year 3/4 Residential to Okehampton. I have 8 people who have indicated that they are interested on the form link or in response to the text this week. Thank you for the definite answers either way.

In order for the trip to proceed it is a chicken and egg situation! So that we know final costs, itinerary etc... we need to be able to give the centre our numbers. I understand that there are a number of parents who have not committed yet because they would like more information. Can I politely ask that you pay the deposit on ParentPay by Monday 26th February so we can submit our numbers with Mevagissey School and finalise the itinerary and cost.

There will be a meeting for parents and children on Thursday 29th February at 3pm in the school hall, to discuss the planned trip . Please come along and we will answer questions about staffing, accommodation and activities planned.

Payments are set up on ParentPay so you are able to pay in instalments or a one-off payment.

Many Thanks

Spring 2 Diary Dates

Tuesday 27th February	Speech Festival Poetry Class	Children who entered from Year 3 & 4
Wednesday 28th February	Boys Active Military Challenge	Dolphin Class Year 5 & 6
Friday 1st March	Kernow King Cornish Caretakers Show	Whole School in the afternoon
Saturday 2nd March	Speech Festival Singing Class	Children who entered from Year 3 & 4
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day Dress as your favourite Book Character or a word, e.g. colourful	Whole School
Thursday 7th March	Songfest Choir at Truro Cathedral	Just the choir– letter sent
Monday 11th March	KS2 Cross Country @ Wadebridge School Pick up from school at 2:30pm, races start at 3:15pm	Any interested KS2 children, letters going out on Monday.
Thursday 21st March	Farm & Country Day at Royal Cornwall Showground	Puffin Class Year 3 & 4 Letter to follow
Thursday 28th March	Open Afternoon: more information to follow	Whole School 2:30 - 3:30pm

Congratulations to our certificate winners on...

.....Friday 23rd February

Seal Class	Star of the Week	Elsie
	English Star	Indi
	Maths Star	Dahlia
Puffin Class	Star of the Week	Josie
	English Star	Freddie
	Maths Star	Sienna
Dolphin Class	Star of the Week	All of the Girls for representing the school so brilliantly at Our Girls Can!
	English Star	Tyler
	Maths Star	Willow

Whole School Attendance last week

92.7 %

For all CELT schools the attendance threshold is set at 96% in line with national attendance data.

Seals	Puffins	Dolphins
91.5 %	93.1 %	93.1 %

I hope you have an enjoyable weekend,

Kind Regards,

Emma Williams
Headteacher