

# ST JUST PRIMARY NEWS



## STORM EUNICE CLOSES SCHOOL

For what is believed to be the first time ever, and certainly in living memory, the school was closed due to high winds on Friday.

The decision was made at around 1:45 on Thursday when the TPAT, the multi-academy trust which St Just is part of, decided to close all its Cornish schools when the weather warning was increased from amber to red.

Obviously this inconvenienced some parents but it was felt that schools should err on the side of caution and keep everyone safe.

In the past the school has closed because of snow but no one can recall it being because of high winds.

Acting Head, Andy Bowman said, "closing the school is something we never do lightly and the decision was taken out of our hands. In Cornwall though the weather can be very different just 5 miles away so I think the right decision was made."

To highlight the fact, here is a photo Ms Trenoweth took just metres away from her house.

We hope all children, parents and staff remain safe and have a restful and enjoyable half term.



# Greece Is The Word



## Y5 Enjoy End to Their Topic

Twenty-four enthusiastic young Ancient Grecians came to school dressed in wonderful outfits or the colours of the Greek flag, ready to learn more about their country, history and culture.



They first looked at the battle of Thermopylae putting themselves in King Leonidas' shoes and using a map to decide where the army should take their stand against the Persians. They then readied themselves for battle by designing and making their own colourful shields. The Olympics

was the next port of call where the children learnt about the history of the Olympic games before they tried out 3 sports that still survive from the Ancient Olympics: running, javelin and long jump. Feeling hungry after their exertions, the children tucked into flatbread, tzatziki and olives. We finished the day by learning about Greek theatre and performed plays based on the story of Perseus and Medusa.



It was a fantastic day of immersive learning and the pupils were enthusiastic throughout (well apart from the taste of olives!)

# THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT



## BUT KERNOW KING GETS MORE THAN HE BARGAINED FOR

The children in Year 3 proved what experts they were in local history on Monday, when they were visited by local comedian and actor Ed "Kernow King" Rowe.

Ed was in school as part of a mining project he is doing with selected schools in Cornwall, to teach children about local history and then make short dramatic films about the topic. The children though, already knew so much about local mining, Geevor in particular that it was Ed that did most learning.



The children still though, had a brilliant time playing the Cornish mining game, learning how to make a story board and write a



All maid up

film script and got to dress up in mining costume.

One child, Senara, said that, "it was the best day in school EVER!"

Mr Rowe, who recently starred in The Fisherman's Friends, the play which reopened the Hall for



Cornwall, thought that the class was the most

knowledgeable and keenest he has worked with and said that they had an "absolutely cracking day. What a fantastic school."

The children will be recording their films at Geevor after half term.



Ms Trenoweth teaching crucial life skills!



Ansum!!!

# GOING UNDERGROUND

## BUT WHAT REALLY HAPPENED TO THE VALUABLES?



Mystery surrounds Y3's visit to Geevor on Thursday, when it is claimed that gold and diamonds that the children found, and thought to be worth millions, inexplicably disappeared!

After touring the mine and learning all about how it worked, after talking to ex-miner "Steve Boy" and after they were taught traditional

Cornish songs by musicians Mark and Steve, the children actually got to go inside the mine.

One child, who wishes to be nameless, said that when down the mine she saw something shiny like gold.

"Ms Trenoweth though said it was just iron pyrite and I should just leave it," the student claims, "but I am certain it was gold!"



Was this the gold



The diamond found  
(artist's impression)



Later the children also got to pan for valuables when something similar happened.

A boy, who again wishes to be nameless said, "I found a **real** diamond in my pan but Ms Trenoweth said it was just glass and took it from me in case I cut myself."

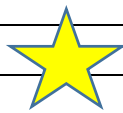
Mysteriously, Ms Trenoweth was not available for comment.



Is this where Ms Trenoweth currently is?

# Stars of the Week



	Stars	Kindness
Tata Du	Bonnie and Arthur P	
Longships	Lynette and Maisie	
Round Island	Taylor and Kensa	
Sevenstones	Bobby and Esme	
Bishop Rock	Beau and Harry	
Godrevy	All for their fabulous Greek Day	
Wolf Rock	Mab H and Tom H	

## Club 99 Maths

Club 11	
Club 22	
Club 33	Nelly, Tyler C, Tyler B and Reggie
Club 44	Charlie S
Club 55	Chloe, Danny, Noah, Skye, Daniel M, Sienna
Club 66	Harry
Club 77	Sophia W, Sophia J, Molly, Jaiqi
Club 88	Cleo
Club 99	Rosie
Bronze	
Silver	Alexis, Kaylum
Gold	Esme

## Certificates (for House Points)

Bronze	
Silver	Tabbitha, Beau Thelo, Zelah and Hunter. Alexis, Sophia J, Nellie
Gold	Freia, Jamie, Elliott, Freddie, Orla, Theo, Joss, Ella, Torran, Lucas, Phoebe





## House Points

	This Week	This Term	Since Sept
Botallack	388	2536 *	8204
Geevor	327	2498	8237
Levant	<b>391*</b>	2422	8167
Wheal Drea	318	2506	8256 *

- winners

## Bird Brain



Are you a maths wiz? If so you should have no problem in solving our maths co-ordinator, Mrs Bird's puzzle.

Adam has three coins in his pocket, and they are all different from each other. Ben has three coins in his pocket and they are all the same as each other.



Adam has half as much money as Ben.

What are the coins they each have?

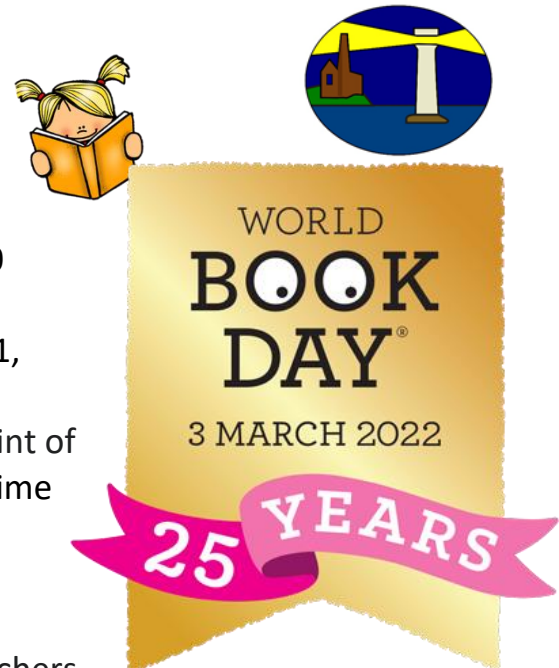
What happens if Adam has twice as much money as Ben?

# World Book Day

Did you know that World Book Day is 25 years old this year? (well probably if you saw the banner on the right). That is 9131 days or 219150 hours or 13149000 minutes, or 788940000 seconds!

Back then “Wannabe” by the Spice Girls was number 1, Arsenal won the Premier League, Dion Dublin was not looking at old houses but top scorer in the league, a pint of milk cost 35p, John Major was in his last months as prime minister before the May general election when one Alexander Boris de Pfeffel Johnson came a distant second in Clwyd South.

In 1997 unlike now, children were not given book vouchers though. The vouchers can be used as money off any book in participating shops or at the school’s Book Fair the next week. Alternatively, they can be used to get a special World Book Day Book. This year’s selection is:



World Book Day is Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March when we will be having our traditional, prize winning “dress as a book character”. As you’ve all half term to think of your idea so we are expecting something good!

## READING CHALLENGE

To mark the Silver Jubilee of World Book Day, we are setting down a challenge to the whole school community – children, parents and staff (who are usually the worst!) to read for 10 minutes every day! By read we also mean a book, not text messages, e-mails, the Newcastle United website (which I am sure everyone does!)

I shall be finally starting Richard Osmond’s “The Man Who Died Twice” which Mrs Carew lent me.



# A Good Read

My turn this week and as it is my daughter's birthday on Saturday I've chosen one that meant a lot to us when she was growing up. It is called "Once There Were Giants" by the author Martin Waddell. He was a favourite of ours and wrote "The Toymaker", "Farmer Duck" and "Owl Babies" also

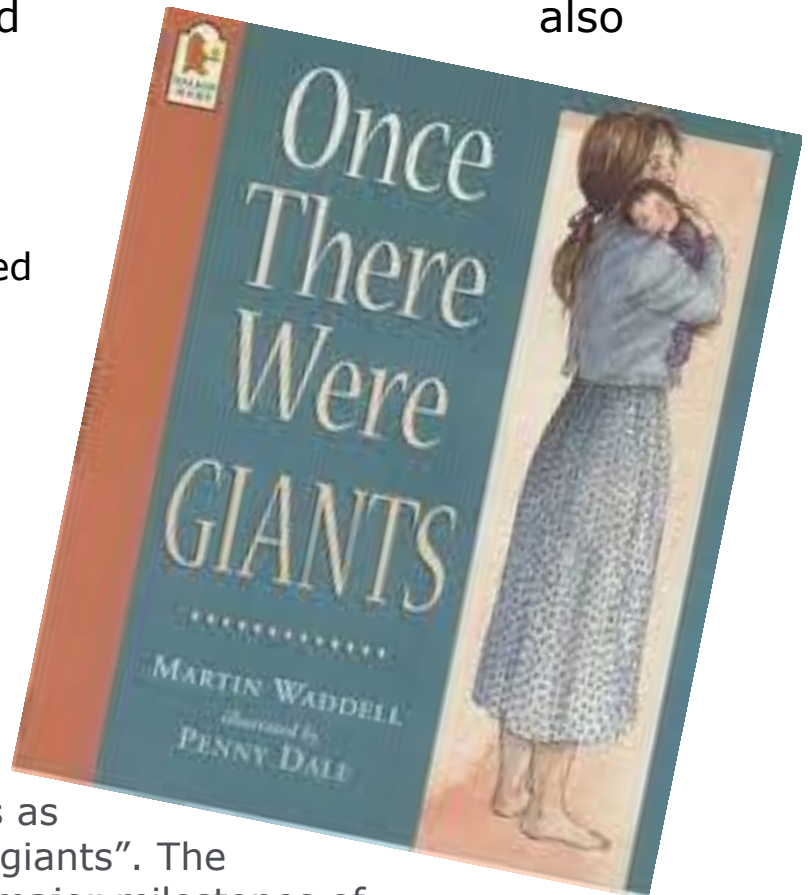
**WHAT AGE IS IT FOR:** I used to read it to all my girls when they were about 4 to 7. It was a book which we didn't read just the once but many, many, many times

**WHO IS IT FOR – BOYS OR GIRLS?** Definitely both – especially dads!

**WHAT IS IT ABOUT?** The book is about a girl who starts as a baby and is surrounded by "giants". The story follows her through the major milestones of growing up, ever supported by the "giants" till eventually she becomes a "giant" herself.

## **WHY SHOULD PEOPLE READ IT?**

*All three of my daughters used to have bedtime stories and although at the time it felt like a bit of an inconvenience they are times I look back on with great fondness. This book was a great springboard for discussion about what they wanted to do in their lives*





**HELLO EVERYONE!**

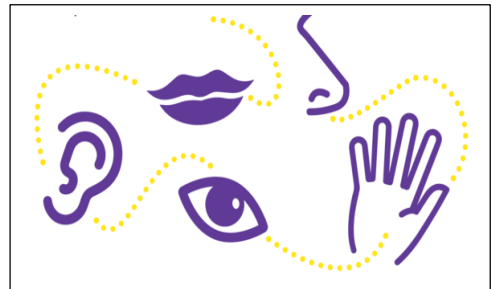
Sometimes we are not OK and that is OK too

### **5 STEPS TO IMPROVE MENTAL WELLBEING**

- Spend time with friends and family, positive relationships help build self worth and a sense of belonging
- Be physically active its great for physical health, it can also improve mental wellbeing by raising your self esteem and causes chemical changes in your brain which help to positively change your mood
- Learn a new skill or hobby it can boost your self confidence
- Be kind to yourself and others, small acts of kindness can create positive feelings and a sense of self worth
- Mindfulness or being present in the moment and aware of your thoughts and feelings, the world around you.

Try some distraction techniques that engage all the senses, it can help ground you and help you feel more relaxed.

- 5 things you can see
- 4 things you can touch
- 3 things you can hear
- 2 things you can smell
- 1 thing you can taste



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Being OK is  
not about how  
fast you run  
or how high  
you climb but  
how well you  
bounce!



**Tigger**



## ***Bee Netball update...***

The children have really impressed us this half term with their determination and passion to play and improve. Every child has joined in and enjoyed every single session. They especially like the mini games we've been playing, using the skills they've learnt along the way.

I've had several messages from parents saying their children are buzzing after netball (appropriate for Bee Netball!!)

As we missed a session, due to high Covid rates, we will start back on Mon 28th Feb and have every Monday during the next half term.

Keep it up gang!

Mrs Bird, Shelley, Millie and Rosie

On **Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February**, Cape School are hosting a Primary Schools Cross Country event.

Any pupil in years 4, 5 or 6 who are interested in taking part, are welcome to join in.

For those interested, please meet Mr Kevern on Cape School field at 3.55pm ready for the first race to begin at 4pm and dressed in the appropriate running kit. Once your race has finished. you're welcome to depart. The event will be finished by 5pm.

