

## THE CHOUGH



Date: Friday 10th February 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

Happy Friday!
I hope you've had a good week.
During the week, we were visited by
Will Coleman who is the Cornish
Champion for Golden Tree
Education. He led an assembly
about saying 'please' and 'thank
you' in Cornish, 'mar pleg' and 'meur
ras', and taught us the St Piran song
with the chorus in Cornish. The
children in KS1 joined in brilliantly
with the new and unusual sounding
words!

Year 6 have been visited today by a member of our local community, Mark Kaczmarek. He came to share his expertise of geology and experience of tin mining in South Crofty.

## IMPORTANT DATES:

Half term - 13th-17th February

Monday 20th February - INSET Day (Non-pupil day)

Last day of term -Friday 31st March 3.15pm finish.

#### Final week of clubs

week beginning27th of March

World Book Day (Dress up day) -Friday 3rd March

St Piran's Day Parade - Saturday 4th March







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After half term, we will take a moment to practice our 'invacuation' drill (formally known as 'lockdown'). We will sensitively and carefully prepare the children so that they know what to do and feel familiar with the process. I will lead an assembly to share the idea and take children from Years 1-6 through the actions. For your information, we close the blinds, lock the doors and windows, switch off the lights, go under the tables and stay still and silent until the 'all clear' is given. In the reception classes, the teachers will tell a familiar story like the Three Billy Goats Gruff – last time, I pretended to be the Troll (and they knew I was coming)! We use a story and role play so that it is fun. The staff all join in, and in previous years, the children have enjoyed it so much they often ask if we can do it again!

In the summer term, we will pick a week of fine weather to do a whole school evacuation to the Treloweth Community Village Hall. It is a short walk away and we will have all staff available and on hand to help walk to the field – a quick turn around and back to school again. I will let you know the week we choose in advance and will message to let you know the day we go on Class Dojo.

Hope you have a lovely half term and see you on Tuesday 21st February!

Best wishes, Mrs May

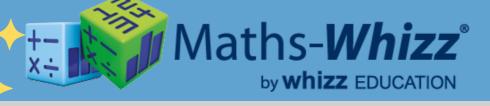


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Our Maths Whizz
Superstar classes this
week:

Ave Weekly Usage (mins)	
🤶 5S - Y5	32
2R - Y2	26
₩ 3N - Y3	25



#### **Rainbows and Sunbeams**

Reception classes have been out and about looking for numbers in the environment.

We talked about why numbers are useful and how they are used in real life.





#### Year 1

Year 1 have been learning about materials in Science. They identified manmade and natural materials and then made pictures with them.

## Year 2

This week in Year 2, we have been learning about habitats in our local area. We conducted an investigation to discover which habitat mini beasts would prefer.











#### Year 3

This week, year 3 have enjoyed learning Cornish phrases. We have learned hello (dydh da), please (mar pleg) and thank you (meur ras). The children have been using 'dydh da' to answer the register and 'mar pleg' and 'meur ras' in place of 'please' and 'thank you'. The children have also learned how to introduce themselves by saying 'ov vy Kate' (I am Kate) and ask who somebody is by saying 'piw os ta? (who are you?)



## Year 4

In Year 4 this week, we have carried out a Science experiment to find out how the surface area of a container affects the rate water evaporates from it. The children really enjoyed taking the measurements each day before having a go at plotting our results on a line graph.



## Year 5



In Y5 we have been continuing our learning about materials by learning how to separate mixtures and solutions. We used sieving, filtering and evaporation to separate a range of materials.

## Year 6

Year 6 had a visit from a real life miner this week! Mark, our mining expert, works at the South Crofty mine which we have been learning about in school. Mark brought in lots of equipment to show the children including helmets, picks, ear defenders and safety glasses. He taught us all about life underground and shared some very interesting stories. The children loved the session and they learnt so much about this



