

SIR ROBERT GEFFERY'S SCHOOL – NEWSLETTER

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CLUBS:

Eco Club is not running this week due to an inset training session at the Apple Store.

Next week – Creative Writing club will be cancelled next Monday 29 January due to Mrs James being out on a course.

THIS WEEK:

Tue 23 Jan Yrs 2 & 4 – Zero Gravity
Wed 24 Jan Yr 5 – Plymouth University
Thu 25 Jan Cake Sale in aid of Hillside School

There is a whole rainbow of trip letters coming home. Please ensure you check book bags for them, complete and return the following day.

Already sent home:

- Yr 5 Science Showcase – Plymouth Uni 24-Jan
 - Yr 5 Stem Hub Visit – City College: 29-Jan
 - Yr 6 Little Shop of Horrors – Saltash: 30-Jan
- Please return forms if not already.*

Coming home this week:

- Able Writers – Bishop Cornish: 30-Jan
- 31-Jan: Sportsability Festival
- Yr 1 Apple Store Visit: 31-Jan
- Yr 4 Apple Store Visit: 1-Feb
- Yr 4 STEM Hub Visit – City College: 2-Feb

Parental Consultations

Tuesday 6 February and Thursday 8 February

To book your slots, you will need to go online:

www.schoolinterviews.co.uk

Enter event code number

Appointment with KS1 Teacher – s2wax
(Including Reception Class)

Appointment with KS2 Teacher – xmkvs

☕ Tea and Coffee will be available to purchase at Parents Evenings



Thank you to all who baked delicious cakes to raise money for this very worthy charity. We raised £101.78 for Help for Heroes. Thank you.

Thank you

Thank you to all who worked together last week when Landrake became an island, due to another unfortunate accident. Our staff are always flexible and professional to make sure that the children remained safe and supported. If this ever happened again, we would do the same and leave them in classrooms to be collected. Children did not walk home immediately, in case parents had not returned due to traffic.

A huge thank you also to staff who, due to difficulties, gave lifts to other staff and children.

Great Comments

It is always good to have positive feedback and recently we have had several comments made. One of the trainers from recent training said that they thought our school staff were always keen to learn and are professional. Also, that the learning environment looked so well maintained and stimulating.

Numerous positive comments came from members of the general public at the recent pantomime trip. We also had many compliments after the Youth Speaks Teams competed at Saltash.

Alice in Wonderland

Thank you to Jackie, Lynne and Trish who have once again transformed our entrance hall.

Thank you also to Mrs Davey who has lent us some amazing accessories. The creativity and talent of the staff always stands out. Various copies of Alice will be there for children to enjoy. If you have a simple version collecting dust, we would love to add it to our collection.



Farm Rota

A huge thank you to all who put their names on the list over Christmas. Again, at half term there will only be a few animals on site but they would love to be fed and visited by their young friends. The farm is a busy place at lunch times and so it can be quiet during the holidays. Do feel free to visit and consider offering to feed up. Polly, hens and guinea pigs are our only animals at present so does not take long!

Well done

We as a school community can again feel proud of our Youth Speaks Teams. Sophie, Emily, Oliver B, Alice, Jacob and Hannah competed at the local round and every child performed amazingly well. In the end, the team that would represent this area in the next round was announced and during the feedback we were told how close it had been. But on this occasion Alice, Hannah and Jacob were declared the winning team. The children shone and represented us so well. Thank you to all the parents who helped their children prepare and to Mrs Cunningham who knows the rules and expectations so well. This in itself is not easy, as there are tweaks every year.



Netball



The netball team won their matches yet again – it was a bit wet and wild this week as they had to play on the outside courts!
The team are ready to go into the final round in joint first place now. Miss Appleby is continuing to coach the team so well!

Kindness Elves Ideas...

Why don't you clear up some litter from public place today?

Play Pod

Our play pod will be installed over the Easter Holidays and will be ready for the summer term – a good time to open. Having seen them in action, we are looking forward to developing even more creative play for all. Training and sessions for parents are planned to maximise the learning and play.

Friends

The Friends will be selling tea/coffee during Parental Consultations (6 and 8 Feb). There will be a rota in the office for offers of help to man the tea/coffee stall – please come and write your name on the list if you're able to help. Thank you.

The Friends are organising an Easter Fair on Friday 23 March to start at 2.30pm. There will also be an Easter Egg Hunt which starts at 3.30pm on that day.

If you'd like to enter the Easter Garden competition – (50p fee per entry) – we suggest that it's grown in a seed tray for drainage purposes. The gardens will be displayed in the bible garden.



Landrake Run

Attached to the newsletter, there is a letter requesting parental help for the Landrake Run – either marshalling, donating or helping to sell tea/coffee and cake.

Uniform Shop:

Second hand uniform will be on sale during Parents Evenings – suggested donations of 50p plus (at your discretion) for items.

Wanted:

Children's size hangers needed for the uniform shop.

Saltash Food Bank

We have received a letter of thanks from the Saltash Food Bank for the 158.65 kilos of food we as a school donated before Christmas. Thank you.

Solar Meter Reading this week: 61,745 kW



AWARDS

Accelerated Reader	Jamie D
Be the best you can	Stanley D
Class Role Model	David B
Consistent Effort	Ethan B
Courtesy	Albie C
Creative Thinking	Oliver M
Demonstrating Values	David B Harri R
Dinner Hall	Ben C
Eco Effort	Rhys E Melody E Poppy H Jamie H Oscar M
Good Manners	Ruby W
Good Playtimes	Chloe W
Growth Mindset	Kate B Ruby F
Helpfulness	Joseph O Sam B
Home Learner	Alfie B
Kindness	Lauryn R
Literacy	Jasmin S Lottie K
Mathletic Points	Melody E
Maths Owl	Beth B
Maths Progress	Thomas W
Netball: Player of Week	Sophia C
Perseverance	Ewan G
Positive Attitude	Ollie B Emily A
Progress	Ryan J Alice R
Reader of the Week	Ava O
Reading Progress	Seren W
Resilience	George K Ben C Hannah D Sophie S Jacob H Toby H Hazel B
Responsibility	Zac J
Role Model	Sophie D
School Grounds	JJ D Merryn H
Science Progress	Leila C
Spelling Bee	William H
Standing up for right	Isaac H
Supporting Others	Ollie C Nathaniel K

Writer of the Week Daisy I
 Harri R

Piano Award Hazel B
Singing Award Libby P

PLEASE, please bring your awards back by the Tuesday following the Awards Assembly on the Friday.

Whole School Word Count

As a school, this year to date, we have read:

39,903,375 words.



Tesco Bags of Help

Please Vote for SRG School and Community Farm at Callington's Tesco Store.

SRG School & Community Farm is bidding for funding from the Tesco Bags of Help initiative. We are one of three groups that have been shortlisted – but we need to gain the most votes to be awarded the funding.

Voting is NOW OPEN at the Callington Tesco store, and will remain open throughout January and February. Customers cast their vote using a token given to them at the check-out in store each time they shop.

Please help and tell your family and friends.

The Bags of Help initiative is supported by money raised from carrier bag sales in Tesco stores, which sees grants of up to £4,000, up to £2,000 and £1,000 raised from carrier bag sales in Tesco stores awarded to local community projects.

Clarinet

There are three spaces available in a Year One clarinet class with Steve. If you're interested in your child learning a woodwind instrument, please let the office know.

To sign up for lessons, please visit the Cornwall Music Service Trust website.

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Thu 1 Feb Yr 4: Apple Store visit
Fri 2 Feb Maths Masterclass
Yr 4: STEM Hub visit
League Run
Mon 5 Feb Yr 3: Apple Store visit
KS1 Gym Competition
Tue 6 Feb Parents Evening
Hi-5 Netball Match
Wed 7 Feb Caradon Primary Games
Thu 8 Feb Yr 6: Stem Hub Visit
Parents Evening
12-16 Feb Half Term
Fri 23 Feb Maths Challenge Competition
Thu 22 Feb Cake Sale in aid of Hillside School
Wed 28 Feb Yr 5: Apple Store Visit
Mon 5 Mar Class Photos
Fri 16 Mar Landrake Run
Fri 23 Mar 2.30pm Easter Fair
3.30pm Easter Hunt

Cake Sale – in aid of Hillside School, Uganda

We will be having our usual cake sale this Thursday 25 January in aid of Hillside School. If you are able to donate any delicious cakes to sell to the children at break-time, the more the merrier!

**FOUND:**

A set of car keys – they’ve been in the office for a week now.

If you’ve lost a set, please come in to the office!