



Diary Dates

April

- 24 After-school clubs start
- 28 Strike Up!

May

- 1 May Day bank holiday
- 4 PTFA Annual General Meeting, 2.30pm
- 8 King's Coronation bank holiday
- 9-12 Year 6 SAT tests
- 10 Nursery Open Afternoon 4pm
- 22-24 Year 6 Bristol residential
- 25 LAST day of Summer Term 1
- 26 Inset day

ATTENDANCE

Puffin	Little Egret	Kittiwake	Oystercatcher	Cormorant	Curlew	Average
99%	97%	98%	98%	95%	97%	97%

Snowflake the Attendance Owl is awarded to Puffin class, as they achieved the highest attendance this week

If you are booking a holiday, please make sure that it coincides with school breaks.



Mini police



This week, PC Rees & PC Best, Youth Engagement Officers from Devon & Cornwall Police, came into school for 4 mornings to deliver their 'Mini Police' programme to Year 4 and Year 5 pupils. The sessions covered the role of police, community action groups, peer group pressure and online safety.



The children got involved by designing posters and leaflets about road safety and online safety—we will share some of these with you in the future. The children really enjoyed the sessions.



Butterfly release

The Nursery children were very excited to return for the summer term and find that beautiful butterflies had emerged from the cocoons they had been looking after. On Wednesday, the children helped to release the butterflies into the science garden.



Kittiwake class WOW day

Kittiwake had a fantastic WOW day to start their Summer term curriculum theme 'Coastlines'. They sang and played along to Sea Shanties, explored the globes and tried out different media to create wave pictures.



Meal changes on the Menu

A reminder that our Chef Debbie has received feedback from the children that they aren't keen on a couple of the new dishes on the menu. So the following replacement meals will be provided each week from now on (the changes WON'T show on ParentPay for boring technical reasons!):

Next week (& all week 1s) Monday: Pasta Bolognese to replace 'meatball pasta bake'

W/c 9th May (& all Week 3s) Tuesday: Hotdog & potato wedges to replace 'sausage & cheesy potato bake'

W/c 9th May (& all Week 3s) Thursday: BBQ chicken to replace sweet & sour chicken AND macaroni cheese to replace Chinese omelette.

Clothing reminder

A request please that, when choosing an outfit for an outdoor learning day, or any day when children aren't in school uniform, please can you ensure they have warm enough clothing should the weather cool down during the day and ensure that clothes cover shoulders to protect from the sunshine too. Thanks.

Now that we're in the Summer Term, it would seem a good time to remind parents about sun protection too: as the sun starts to appear, please ensure your child always has a sun hat in their bag, and that sun cream is applied before school on days where full sun is forecast. Thank you!



After-school clubs start next week

A reminder to check your email for this term's after-school club letter that was sent yesterday. Clubs start next week and can be signed onto via Arbor, except the Big Shots football when you should use the web link to his booking form: [Padstow School After School Football Club - Booking by Bookwhen](#)

Strike Up next Friday

On Friday next week, 28th April, we will hold our annual Strike Up event. It will start with an Assembly in the hall, then parents are invited to join us for the outdoor procession, from around 9.30am. Please congregate outside the main front door of the school and follow the procession up onto the school field. We are looking forward to marking this important event in the Padstow diary!

Diary date: Sports Day



Both the Sports Day events are planned for **Wednesday 21st June**. The Nursery and Key Stage 1 session will be in the morning, starting at 9.15, and the Key Stage 2 session will be in the afternoon, starting at 1.15. We welcome parents to come and join us and cheer the children on!



Padstow School Golden Rules:

Show respect & good manners at all times
Follow instructions with thought & care
Care for everyone & everything

Padstow Golden Rule certificate winners:

Nursery: **Jonah**, for following instructions with thought & care
Puffin: **Huey**, for following instructions with thought & care
Little Egret: **Oliver**, for showing respect & good manners
Kittiwake: **Darcy**, for showing respect & good manners
Oystercatcher: (2 values certificates)
Cormorant: **Whole class**, for showing respect & good manners
Curlew: **Charlie Mid**, for showing respect & good manners

Padstow School Values:

Aspiration, Spirit, Passion, Integrity, Resilience & Excellence

Padstow School Value certificate winners:

Nursery: **Lowen**, for Resilience
Puffin: **Freddie**, for Excellence
Little Egret: **William**, for Aspiration
Kittiwake: **Jacob**, for Aspiration
Oystercatcher: **Enzo**, for Passion
and **Whole Class**, for Resilience
Cormorant: (rules certificate only)
Curlew: **Olivia**, for Aspiration

Mrs Whitford's Certificates

Mrs Whitford presented certificates to the following pupils today:

Zach in Puffin class, for sharing his news with me

Clemmy in Puffin class, for initiating a conversation and telling me about her new hat

All of Year 6, for Excellence when being the testers of new SATs maths questions.



Nursery Story Sharing Superstars

Each week, Mrs Parsons will be presenting a Story Sharing Superstar certificate to Nursery pupils who have shared 10 stories at home (written in their new reading record books!) and a picture uploaded to Tapestry of them sharing a story with a grown up. This week, 7 children had achieved this. Well done to:

Gracie J, Amaia, Bastian, Everly, Bodhi, Joshua, Cleo.



Stars of the Week!



In order to recognize the improvements in the key skills of reading, writing and maths, the teachers will be awarding a Star of the Week certificate for each of these in every class.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Reading Star</u>	<u>Writing Star</u>	<u>Maths Star</u>
Puffin	Penny	Oscar	Joey
Little Egret	Jensen	Esme	Isaac
Kittiwake	Macy	Jak	Sophia
Oystercatcher	-	-	Elsie
Cormorant	-	-	-
Curlew	Josh	Austin	Aliesha



Acro excellence

This Year 2 pupil recently travelled to Yeovil for his first Acro Gymnastics competition representing Kernow Gymnastics. He trained extremely hard to prepare & completed a brilliant routine to over 100 spectators. He came third and was awarded a Bronze medal. Well done—what an incredible achievement!



Padstow Town Council Coronation events

Our town council have planned a series of events and activities to help the local community and visitors to celebrate the forthcoming Coronation of King Charles III.

- **The King's Wardrobe:** an interactive family story trail around Padstow (more details on the website: [The Kings Wardrobe](#))
- **Youth Art Competition**, again you can view details on: [Youth Art Competition](#). Printed entry forms are available to collect from the school office OR print from the attachment on the newsletter email.
- **Saturday 6th May event at Wheal Jubilee Parc, from 10am**
Including a big screen showing the Coronation broadcast, face painters, circus skills etc.



Heath's crowdfunding challenge

Year 6 pupil Heath is putting his love of hiking to great use and has set himself an incredible challenge: On Saturday 29th July he will be undertaking the **National Three Peaks Challenge**. The challenge involves climbing the peaks of Snowdon in Wales, Scar Fell Pike in the Lake District and Ben Nevis in Scotland—a distance of 23 miles of walking, ascending over 3km in height, with car travel in between aiming to complete all 3 ascents within 24 hours. As Heath will be leaving Padstow School this summer, he wants to leave a Thank You to the school and especially to those pupils who follow him through Padstow School. He is raising money to fund sports equipment for school and has so far raised over £1,000! If anyone from our school community would like to show their support for Heaths' extremely thoughtful challenge, click on this link: [Crowdfunding to Fund Sports Equipment for Padstow School on JustGiving](#)

Thank you Heath—we are very proud of you and will spend this money wisely in your name.

PTFA AGM—date change

Due to the NEU strike day, our PTFA have chosen to change the date of their Annual General Meeting. It will now take place on **Thursday 4th May** at 2.30pm in the Hall.

Everyone in the school community is invited to come along. They are a very friendly group, and their work organizing and running events such as discos and fayres enriches the experience of our pupils, as they love these events! The money the PTFA raise helps the school enormously, by funding additional extras (such as our fabulous outdoor classroom & the cooling fans in the classrooms). The PTFA are currently fundraising to build a Trym Trail in the school grounds.

Please do come along if you are free – there may be biscuits....!

