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Dear Parents

## Residential Trip – KS2

In the summer term, we'll be taking children in Class 2 and 3 to Porthpean Outdoor Education Centre for three days, 17 – 19 May.

This will be a great experience for all our children with opportunities to try out a range of adventurous activities.

Thank you for all the replies we've received so far, just a reminder that slips should be returned to Jeanette by **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February**.



## Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) Project in Class 3

**IF YOU WERE an  
ENGINEER  
WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

Primary Engineer Programmes  
...the first step!



We are excited that we will be taking part in the **'If you were an Engineer what would you do?' Leaders Award competition** this year and we are looking for engineers that are in any way linked to our school to help!



The competition will be challenging pupils from primary and secondary schools to identify a problem and design a creative solution to it and add a letter explaining why an engineer should choose to build it. As part of the competition, they are required to interview engineers to understand more about the problems they solve and the role they play in society.

Every pupil that enters will have their idea read and graded by an engineer. All our pupils will receive certificates and shortlisted entries will be put forward to a panel where the best ideas will be celebrated at an awards event and public exhibition in the summer term. Whilst this is a national exhibition the awards and exhibitions are regional so you will be able to see the ideas from across the region.

One extraordinary part of the competition is that every year university teams choose an idea from the Shortlisted entries to build!



### Interview with an engineer

Today, Class 3 joined a live online interview with Ian Jones, an electronics engineer at Goonhilly Earth Station. Ian explained the work of Goonhilly which helps to control and monitor satellites and spacecraft, including helping the HAKUTO-R spacecraft to land on the moon. Goonhilly supports the exploration of lunar and deep space, providing services for international space agencies, such as NASA. We were also shown their monitoring of 'Mars Express' in orbit around Mars. Class 3 sent questions via the 'chat' which Ian answered, which included what he enjoys about being his job and the various pathways which can be taken to become an engineer. The children may also like to check out the website:

<https://www.goonhilly.org/>



**This week...**



### **NSPCC Number Day**

The children (and staff) had a great day which started with a number themed Wake and Shake led by Mr Rix, then cakes at morning break followed by a carousel of activities including bingo, card games and number golf.

The children look brilliant in their 'number' costumes. We raised £31.07 for the NSPCC. Thank you for your support.



**See more photos in the 'What's on' page of the school website**

<https://boscastle.cornwall.sch.uk/whats-on/>







## Music afternoon

On Wednesday afternoon, Class 2 and 3 enjoyed sharing this term's work in music. Class 2 did a demo of their African drumming and taught the Year 5s and 6s what they've been learning in their weekly lessons with Mrs Tidball.

Class 3 performed a few of the songs they're currently learning in preparation for Songfest, which is coming up in May. It was a loud but really lovely afternoon!



In our whole school assembly this week we talked about how important stories are to us all ... lots of children shared how much they enjoy having stories read to them by parents and the favourite stories they love to hear over and over again!

*'My Famous Five book is quite old and yellow in the pages. I love it because my Dad reads it to me and it's like an heirloom because my Dad read it to my brother, then my sister and now to me!' by Elyza*

*'Owl Babies is one of my favourite books because when I was little I listened to it lots of times, so much that I could remember all the words even though I was very young and couldn't even read' by Miri*



**Spanish lessons** On Thursday, we were really pleased to welcome Miss Cole, from the languages team at Budehaven Community School, who is visiting every fortnight to teach Spanish in Class 3.

The children really loved their first lesson,

where they learnt how to introduce themselves - ask them to share what they learnt.

## Next week ...

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February** The aim of the day is to raise awareness of the great work of Cornwall Air Ambulance and how the charity has impacted so many lives in communities across the county. **Children can dress up in their favourite piece of red clothing – t-shirts, jumpers, socks, trousers, hats, gloves, scarves – anything as long as it is red!**



**Donations will be gratefully received: a collection bucket will be on the gate at drop off/ pick up.**

Kind regards

Sara Haden Acting Headteacher