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Dear Parents

This term's topics are...

Class 1

Reception

Winter Wonderland

In the Winter Wonderland project, your child will explore the seasonal changes that happen during winter. They will find out about the different weather associated with the winter season and explore changes that happens to water as it freezes. They will find out about what happens to plants and animals during cold weather and explore places in the world that are always cold and snowy, including the animals that live there.



EYFS - Boscastle

Class 1

Year 1 and 2



Bright Lights, Big City

In the Bright Lights, Big City project, your child will learn the story of a local landmark. They will learn about the countries that make up the United Kingdom, including their location, capital cities and some of their physical and human features. They will have the opportunity to do map work, using compasses and positional and directional language to plan routes around London. They will research the cause and impact of the Great Fire of London and look at some famous London landmarks. They will learn about other capital cities around the world, including Kuala Lumpur, and compare how they are similar and different to London.

Class 1 - Boscastle

Class 2

Rocks, Relics and Rumbles

In the Rocks, Relics and Rumbles project, your child will learn about the different layers of the Earth, including plate tectonics and their potential effects on the Earth's surface. They will investigate different types of rock to learn about their uses and properties. They will also investigate soil and fossils, including learning about the work of Mary Anning. They will have the



opportunity to use maps to learn about the lines of latitude and longitude and a compass to learn about the cardinal and intercardinal points. They will also learn about volcanoes, earthquakes and tsunamis and the long and short-term consequences that these can have.

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Class 3



Frozen Kingdom

In the Frozen Kingdoms project, your child will learn about the regions of the Arctic and Antarctic. They will learn about the similarities and differences between these two regions, including the climate, landscape and natural resources. They will learn how to use grid references, lines of latitude and longitude, contour lines and symbols to identify the geographical locations of the Arctic and Antarctic, and how these, along with the tilt of the Earth, affect day length and warmth. They will investigate polar oceans to learn how they differ from other oceans on Earth and how climate change increases Earth's temperature and leads to rising sea levels. They will learn about the indigenous people of the Arctic, including

how their lives have changed over time, and about the positives and negatives of tourism in Antarctica. They will also learn about classifying animals, animal adaptations and evolution, and polar exploration and discovery.

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Homework projects for the term will be sent home today – see attached information.

Spring Term Clubs (starting w/b 15 Jan)

Club	Year groups	When	Times	Staff	Place
Art	Y1/2/3/4/5/6	Monday	3.15 – 4.15	Miss Cottle	Class 2
Robotics	Y6	Tuesday	3.15 – 4.15	Mrs Haden	Class 2
Woodwork	Y2/3/4/5/6	Tuesday	3.15 – 4.15	Mr Rix	Class 3
Y6 Club: maths	Y6	Wednesday	8.10 – 8.40	Mr Rix	Class 3
Wild Tribe	Y1/2/3	Wednesday	3.15 – 4.15	Mrs Hart	Wild Valley
Songfest	Y6	Wednesday	1.00 – 1.30	Mrs Haden	Upstairs
Y6 Club: GPS	Y6	Thursday	8.10 – 8.40	Mrs Haden	Class 3
Lego	All year groups	Thursday	3.15 – 4.15	Mrs Miller & Paola	Class 1
Football	Y3/4/5/6	Friday	3.15 – 4.30	Arena sports	Playground or
				coach	Village Hall

Please email Jeanette (by Thurs 11 Jan) to sign up for clubs which will begin on w/b: 15 January. secretary@boscastle.cornwall.sch.uk

Songfest – Year 6

Get ready to set sail on the most melodious voyage of the year!



Songfest 2024 is back, and it's bigger and better than ever before, with primary schools from across Cornwall joining in a grand celebration of music and community.

This year, Songfest pays tribute to Cornwall's rich Celtic heritage and its profound connection to the sea. The chosen theme for Songfest 2024 is "Sea Shanties." These captivating sea songs, steeped in maritime tradition, reflect Cornwall's enduring relationship with the vast blue expanse that surrounds it. Songfest is not just a musical event; it's an opportunity for primary schools to come together and perform as a mass choir, emphasising the importance of music and singing within our schools and communities.

Specially Crafted Sea Shanties

Under the musical direction and skilful arrangements of Angela Renshaw and Patrick Bailey, these timeless sea shanties that hold Cornwall's Celtic heritage will connect a new generation of children to the region's culture and past.

The Year 6 children who wish to take part in Songfest will be performing at **Launceston Town Hall on Wednesday 28th February 2024.** There will be weekly rehearsals in school up to this date which will happen at lunchtimes with additional practices at the beginning of February.

Public Ticket Information for parents

Ticket prices, subsidised by AS**ONE** Hub, will be £8 for attendees aged 18 and over, and £4 for those under 18, with no other concessions.

Audience tickets for each venue will go on sale on January 10th, 2024. Details to follow early next week.

Happy New Year and Best wishes for 2024!

Kind regards Sara Haden Headteacher