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Dear Parents

This week's class news ....

## Class 1



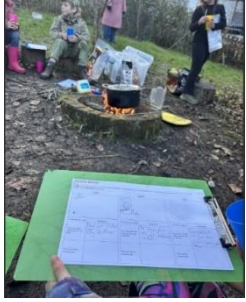
Class 1 have had such a great start to the Spring term and are all really engaged in their Brilliant birds topic. A homework menu has now gone home for and Year 1 children have all had the opportunity to explore My Maths in class to see how they can continue their learning at home.

Our highlight this week has to be our fabulous class trip to St Nectan's Glen. The children had an absolutely brilliant day roaming in the nature trail; completing rubbings, exploring the magnifying stations, bird hide and giant hammocks, as well as walking down to see the famous waterfall. We enjoyed using our senses to explore nature, listening to the birds calling and watching them flutter and fly amongst the feeding stations, treetops and pecking the grounds. We saw chaffinches, great tits, magpies, robins, pigeons and even heard a woodpecker!



We were also lucky enough to find a peahen feather, which had fallen from one of the birds roosting in the trees (well done Rowan for correctly identifying it!) Matt also showed us a list of birds they had heard that day, including some rare firebirds.

The children represented the school brilliantly; thank you for your support with dropping and collecting children, which enabled us to make this trip viable.



### Class 2

This week in maths, Class 2 the children have been learning how to multiply and divide by 3's and 4's. In English, the children have been writing diary entries inspired by the characters from our class book 'King of the Cloud Forest.' They have written some fantastic diaries based on the incident where Lin falls out of a tree. The children have been working hard to create compound sentences while incorporating some new



vocabulary into their writing such as: 'wicked, ludicrous and delight.' In science this week, they've observed the properties of solids liquids and gasses. The children used ice as their 'solid' and melted it in a pan over the fire. We used the boiling water to make a tasty hot chocolate. In PSHE this week, we learnt about the difficult challenges many people face and how often people may have to persevere through the challenge to succeed. The children looked at a variety of scenarios and described challenges people, what they may need to do to success and then how they would feel if they succeed.

**Reminder: Wild tribe on Wednesdays and PE on Thursdays.**



### Class 3

In English this week, we have planned and started to write a diary entry. We have looked at figurative language (focussing on similes and metaphors) and examined how we can put them effectively into our



writing. In maths, we have been learning about ratio and developing our knowledge of scaling up shapes. We have also been delving into farming life and looking at the different types of farming in the U.K. We've been working with Rob to create a dance based on the 'School of Rock' film. We are having a rockin' time!

### Cross Country

Well done to our small but mighty team who took part in the Schools Cross Country Competition at Sir James Smith's School.



Congratulations to Otis who came 1<sup>st</sup> in the Y3/4 boys and to James who was 4<sup>th</sup> in the Y5/6 boys race.

Izzy and Max also ran really well in their races.

### Break time indoor activities

We were kindly donated a HUGE supply of craft supplies before Christmas from Reverend Heather. AS part of our alternative playtime and lunchtime provision, we will now be giving children the opportunity to get creative and make greetings cards with some of the lovely resources.



Lego and board games will also be on offer for children who prefer to spend their free time in a quieter space.

# Boscastle Rainbow Snacks

In our assembly this week we talked about different types of food which make up a balanced diet and how the foods we should eat daily come in all the rainbow colours. The children talked enthusiastically about their favourite fruit and vegetables.



Over the next few weeks, we thought it would be fun to see how many different colours we could include in our morning snacks, as well as packed lunch and school lunch. Children are encouraged to bring Fruit and veg for their morning snack. We have the usual fruit for Class 1 children, supplied as part of the National Schools Fruit and Vegetable Scheme, which is always on offer.



As part of our focus on school sustainability we're installing a Hotbin in the playground which composts food and garden waste turning it into compost in 90 days.



Each week, we have a full wheelie bin of crisp and snack packets, so in an effort to reduce our plastic waste it would be great if children could bring snacks, including fruit and veg, which have non-plastic waste. The Hotbin will be brilliant for composting the fruit cores and peel. Re-usable containers and bags would be great for snacks – please remember to name them so they don't get mis-laid.



We thank you in advance for your support with our efforts to improve our school sustainability and in promoting the importance of natural produce as part of a balanced diet. We're looking forward to the delivery of the Hotbin later this week. The children will be finding out how it works and be involved with the set-up and management. We hope that by the summer we'll have some compost for our outdoor planters.

Kind regards  
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Headteacher