

# Fowey Primary School

Newsletter 8 - 27th January 2017



## Challenge Day

It was Fowey's turn to have their Challenge Day this week. On Wednesday, we welcomed Simon Pollard (Head at Carclaze), Stewart Gynn (Head at Mevagissey) and Justine Hocking (our external consultant).

It was a really positive day with many strengths identified. The outstanding learning behaviours of our children was once again a real highlight.

We took part in many observations, meetings with staff and children as well as looking at children's work, data, our self evaluation, school improvement priorities and seeing Lunch 'n' Learn in action! We all came away feeling very proud of our school and what's been achieved so far as well as opportunities to think about what needs developing next.

## GB Athlete Visit



We were extremely lucky last week to have a special visitor, professional athlete Adele Nicoll. Adele is a shot putter, currently training with the national club, Birchfield Harriers. Adele spoke in our assembly about overcoming disappointments, including narrowly missing out by one place on qualifying for the Rio Olympics. Adele also gave every class a PE lesson and even gave out requested autographs! We hope to see her at the Commonwealth games and future Olympics.

## Gribben's Lunch 'n' Learn



Earlier this week, Gribben hosted their Lunch 'n' Learn where following a Greek lunch, children and relatives were inspired by the art of Vincent Van Gogh. There was a fantastic buzz, where together they created a sunflower in the style of Van Gogh for their classroom display. Take a look next week at Gribben's gallery. Here's some thoughts from the children.

Harry: "I loved working with my mum."

Daisy: "It was great everyone working together."

Sam: "I made a really big flower with my dad."

## Football and Netball

On Tuesday we played our football and netball fixtures at home against Mevagissey; it was tough because we knew that they were strong teams.

It all started with a netball match which we won 20 - 1 – an impressive result. That only leaves 2 games left for us to play: Bishop Bronescombe and Tywardreath. We are currently top of the table, having won all our games.

After that, the Year 5/6 football team played their best game of the season, winning 3-0. There was also victory in the Year 3/4 football match, winning their match 1-0 after another great performance.

Let's hope these scores give us confidence for the next matches.

*By Lily, Year 6*



## Fowey Primary FUNdraising

Fowey Primary School want to drastically improve the school's outdoor learning environment for Reception and Y1, so that all the pupils have top quality equipment, and can learn in a fun, exciting way.

To help redesign the space and get the best equipment for the children we are aiming to raise £7500 during 2017. This is an ambitious target which will allow the school to buy and install top quality kit, which Mrs Jones has planned. The events last term have already raised an impressive £3000 towards this target.

To achieve the target of £7500 we are planning a series of events which will both raise money for the school, and be fun!

- Indoor Car Boot Sale - Sunday 5th February (9am set-up, 9:30am - 1pm) please sign up in the office foyer for a table (£5 per table to be paid on the day)
- Quiz Night - Friday 3rd March (Doors open at 7pm for 7:30pm start) - tickets on sale on 31st Jan, 3rd Feb, 7th Feb and 10th Feb before and after school
- Great Fowey Bake Off - Saturday 22nd April
- 'Tour de Fowey' Bike Ride - Sunday 11th June
- Summer event tbc - Friday 22nd July
- Autumn Fayre - Saturday 16th September
- Other autumn and Christmas events coming soon

There will be other, smaller events throughout the year, but we would love you to put these dates in your diary and take part! Most of the events will happen at the school, but we really want the whole community to become involved.

A small group of parents, the Fowey Primary FUNdraisers, have been working hard to organise the events, but we always welcome help from the community! Please contact the school if you are interested. Details of each event and how to take part will come home in your children's bookbags. Look out for updates in Mr. Wathern's newsletters and the FUNdraising page under the *Parent Information* tab on the school website. We are also looking at using social media to keep everyone up to date.

This is an ambitious, bold project for the school and the community and we are really excited about the difference we can make for Fowey Primary School.

Keep an eye out for event details and let's look forward to building a brilliant environment for our kids!

*Fowey Primary FUNdraisers*



## Funnybone Theatre

Looking for something to do during half term? Fowey Funnybone Theatre are staging Jack and the Beanstalk during half term at Fowey River Academy. Do go along and support this local theatre group. You may even spot some familiar faces on stage from our school ...oh yes you will!



Best wishes,  
Chris Wathern

Don't forget to check the 'A' frame each week, our news (including calendar and twitter feed) and online calendar on our website.