

Fowey Primary School Newsletter

Friday 12th May 2023



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

May

15th – 19th Year 2 SATS

17th—19th May Year 5 & 6 Residential

June

5th Class Photo's

12th-16th June Phonics Screening

27th Sports Day

Message from Mrs Measom

A massive thank you for all your support with our Coronation tea. The children, had an amazing time and the school community really came together. A big thank you to everyone who contributed cakes. They were fabulous. Thanks to Fowey Town Council for providing all the children with Coronation Mugs. These are totally unique to our school, so a lovely reminder of a momentous day in British history.

Also thank you to The Squires Field Community Centre for their donation of the Coronation Crowns.



May

21st Harley – Year 2

22nd Amelia – Year 6

22nd Daniel – Year 6

22nd Albi – Year 5

Many congratulations to all the children. In Year 6 who completed their national tests this week. After lots of preparation they approached the tests in a calm and mature way and I am sure have done their very best.

Thank you for all your continued support in helping your children at Fowey School.

ATTENDANCE –

This week's class attendance winners are Carne with 100% . A huge well done to them.

What to do if your child is absent:

- Contact the school office via telephone on the first day your child's absence before 9am.
- Provide us with the full details of the reason for their absence. Please avoid using phrases such as "poorly", "sick" or "not well". Repeat this for every day of absence. If you would like to discuss any attendance concerns, please contact Mrs Measom via admin@fowey.sch.org



CLASS NEWS



EYFS

In English the children are learning about the story 'We're Going On a Bear Hunt'. Over the last few weeks they have splashed in soggy clothes, played in squelchy mud, listened to natural noises at forest school and made caves with den resources.

In maths the children have learnt about doubles, sharing, odds and evens- great unit to share strawberries and chocolates!



Year 1

Our George Forrest Plant Hunt at Caerhays Castle Gardens!

We practised our Science skills of looking closely, drawing what we could see and naming common garden plants such as camellia and rhododendron.



We have also been practising our sounds ready for our phonics screening later in the term

Year 2



We have really enjoyed going outdoors this term to enhance our learning. Our writing has been based upon 'The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark'. In the book, Plop the owl meets many characters who convince him that the dark isn't so scary but, instead, really fun! One of those characters is a boy scout who enjoys campfires. To improve our writing, we experienced a common activity at a campfire: singing in the woods!

In the picture, you can see us singing in our woodland area, which gave us some great vocabulary to put into our writing. We collected different verbs for singing and adjectives to describe the woodland around us. We also discussed different things that boy scouts may do around a campfire at night. Have a read of one of the amazing sentences we produced in our writing: 'Zapping to the branch, Plop told Mum all about his adventure with the crackling campfire, the singing boys and the tasty snacks'.

We have also enjoyed going outside during P.E. In the picture, you will see us in the middle of an outdoor yoga lesson. We found that being outside helped us to feel calm, relaxed and more able to control our breathing.

Year 3

It's been a busy couple of weeks in Gribben. We have been experimenting with sentence construction and order, creating our own human sentences! This has helped to prepare us for our independent writing sequels to 'The Secret of Black Rock II'.

In PSHE, we've considered our role as friends and how we can suggest ways of using the 'solve it together' technique to mend a broken friendship.

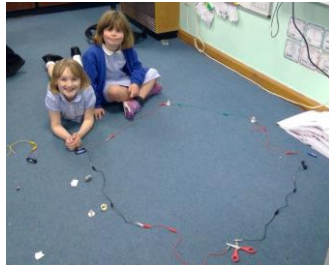
Our Maths has drawn on our recent fractions knowledge to help us with our work on time. We considered the position of 'a missing minutes hand' on a clock face using cryptic clock clues!

Well done Gribben



Year 4

Year 4 have been exploring electrical conductors in science, using a variety of metal and non-metal materials as conductors. We tested lots of objects from around the classroom and even the canteen! We have been excited by our new topic in English, Skeletons and Muscles, where we have so far been learning about vertebrate and invertebrate – we knew lots of wonderful facts on the subject of the human body and the skeleton and enjoyed sharing and listening to each other's weird and wonderful facts. Well done Coombe!



Year 5

Readymoney have been swimming every afternoon for the last two weeks and have thoroughly enjoyed themselves! Everybody has shown a great deal of improvement since the first session. Well done Readymoney! Just keep swimming! Mrs. Warnham is also very impressed with their recent Maths work on decimals.



Year 6

WELL DONE YEAR 6! You've all worked so hard in the run up to and in completing the SATs. You should all be so proud of yourselves, we definitely are!



FOWEY FUNDRAISERS

A massive Thank you to the Fowey Fundraisers for all the amazing cakes they donated for our Coronation and Cake afternoon.



**** NO FOOTBALL KITS OR BRANDED CLOTHING ****

Jumper/Cardigan— Blue jumper/cardigan with the school logo

Polo shirt—smart, plain white polo shirt

Trousers/Skirt/Pinafore—Black trousers, shorts, skirts or pinafores.

Skirts must be knee length or longer.

Please note, it has been agreed that children can continue to wear grey during 2022-23 if their grey items still fit. When outgrown, it is expected that they will transition to black items.

Summer dresses – blue and white checked only

Socks/Tights—Plain black socks or tights. Plain white socks with summer dresses.

Black shoes — smart, waterproof, plain black shoes only (not trainers)

Please note: trainers, including all black ones, are not permitted for school uniform.

Boots of any kind, sandals, shoes with heels are not permitted.

PE – House coloured T-Shirts (red/blue/yellow) with black shorts or black joggers/leggings and trainers.

Also NO Jewellery/False Nails & long hair tied up due to health and safety.

Today we were joined by Agustin and Gonzales from the RNLI who gave a fantastic interactive assembly based on how we stay safe in, on and around the water. A massive Thank you to Mr Richardson for arranging this for us.





What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

TELEGRAM

Telegram isn't new, but it's grown significantly in popularity over recent years, thanks to its secure nature and speedier performance than many of its counterparts – including WhatsApp. While Telegram is an excellent app in terms of actual performance, like any messaging platform it brings its own challenges for parents when it comes to feeling confident about children being able to handle their own messaging conversations and contact with the outside world in general. Here's everything that trusted adults need to know about using Telegram safely.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

LACK OF AGE RESTRICTION

Toll-free has a 35+ day restriction on using the service, while someone is restricted to be over 17 to actually download the song. Once that's accomplished, however, there's no need to provide further identification. That means there's no guarantee that under 17s aren't using the app - and one way to consistently verify that any other user actually is who they say they are.

POSSIBLE CYBERSULLYING

If your child uses Instagram, they should not be able to post anything and find friends on the app. These groups are responsible for the harassment and bullying that can happen on social media - including the sharing of pictures of children and the victims of bullying. Instagram has been forced to remove the app from the App Store and Google Play. Instagram has been forced to remove the app from the App Store and Google Play.

UNMODERATED
CONTENT

Because Telegram relies on users' self-modification, it can significantly become a limited free space or a propaganda corner. In the past, the distribution of this movement has led to its temporary removal from the App Store. In fact, the store can be sold of several million copies, but Telegram's "Secret Chats" (for instance) clearly present more issues than the lack of encryption.

PREMIUM COSTS

Telephone is free to use, but it also offers a premium membership (€4.99 per month at £2.50 a year) which increases download speeds, adds translation features, and increases channel and account limits. If your child has access to your Apple ID or Google Play details, they may be able to sign up for the premium package without your knowledge.

UNAUTHORISED
ACCESS

One of the major selling points is that it's a secure device where things are monitored. Once the user is logged in, users can log in from a phone, tablet or computer. This multi-device capability means increased opportunities for someone else to gain unauthorized access if your child leaves a computer or tablet at school, forgets their login information, or leaves it.

SECRET CHATS

Telegram offers a feature called Secret Chats, which allows for messages which self-destruct after a specified period of time. There are instances where this can be useful. Conversations often use Telegram to discuss time sensitive, for example, but for young people it can make it extremely difficult to prove that someone has been abusive or inappropriate towards them on the app.

Advice for Parents & Carers

PRIVACY CONTROLS

If your child wants to use Telegram, we'd strongly suggest using the app's built-in privacy settings to restrict who can see when they were last online, their profile photo, and their phone number. This can be set to "Everybody", "My contacts" or "Nobody"; we'd recommend either the second or third option, depending on how locked down you want the platform to be.

DISCUSS SECURITY

It's important that your child understands the merits of strong passwords and logging out of devices when they're finished – and the benefits of protecting their personal items in general. This could range from relaxed rules and simple tips like "don't send your bank details" to how to set up passwords for Telegram so your child's chats stay secure when they step away from their screen.

[REPORT UNSAFE CONTENT](#)

If your child receives private messages which include content that could be considered racist, sexist or insulting, they can of course block the account responsible. Also, within the app itself, he or she, however, that I suggest won't necessarily take any further action unless the offensive content involves a user-created channel, post or sticker.

USE THE BLOCK FUNCTION

Users can block spam, abusive, or imposter accounts within the app. Blocking stops that account from messaging your child, or viewing their profile and activity. If the user in question is one of your child's peers or friendship circle, it may be worth bringing it to the attention of their school. Also bear in mind that your child can also voluntarily leave a Telegram group at any point if they wish.

PROTECT PAYMENT METHODS

Apple and Google's storefronts offer family sharing options, but it's also worth double-checking your settings to ensure that a password- or two-factor authentication option is set up to prevent any unexpected purchases. If your child does pay for a premium Telegram subscription without your consent, Apple and Google have been known to issue refunds in some cases.

Meet Our Expert

Lord Gower is better known for writing the *Confessio Amantis* and has worked for the pasting trade for around five years. A regular contributor to the past trade is by far, New York. He is also a general book conservationist and the author of *Antique Bookbinding*. Working mainly in the field of bookbinding, the author has been published in various journals including *Antique* and *Antiques*.

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