

Curnow School



Newsletter

January 2024

It has been a great, if very busy first term as interim Head at Curnow School and I would like to say a very big thank you for your continued support for the school.

Entering a new year and term we have a few changes within our teaching and management team. Rachel Waters and Jenny Buckland both have an additional management day as part of the Senior Leadership Team and will be based at upper and lower school respectively. They will use their wealth of experience and knowledge to support learners across the school. We would also like to welcome Jenni Parrish to our Post 16 teaching team, as class teacher alongside Dee. Jenni has previously worked at Doubletrees School and again brings a wealth of experience and knowledge that she will draw on to further develop our Post 16 offer.

We have some exciting events coming up this term, including the Redruth Learning Group (RLG) Dance event at the Regal Theatre next month and the start of our Ten Tors (Jubilee Challenge) training walks, ready for the main event in May. The walks will take place at Perranuthnoe and the Great Flat Lode and if interested in joining us please let me know.

Finally, I hope you have had a great start to 2024 and we look forward to an exciting, busy and rewarding year ahead.

Dates for your diary!

**Half term— 12th—16th
February**

**School coffee morning
for parents—see flyer
on page 15 for details**

Lower School

**Dress to Express day
Friday 9th February**

Upper School

**Redruth Learning Group
performance—7th
February Regal Cinema
at 7pm.**

**Dress to Express day
Friday 9th February**

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Lower School News



News from Eden Class!

Our topic this term has been 'John Burningham' and we have been learning through the stories of 'Mr Gumpy's Motor Car' and 'Oi! Get Off Our Train'.



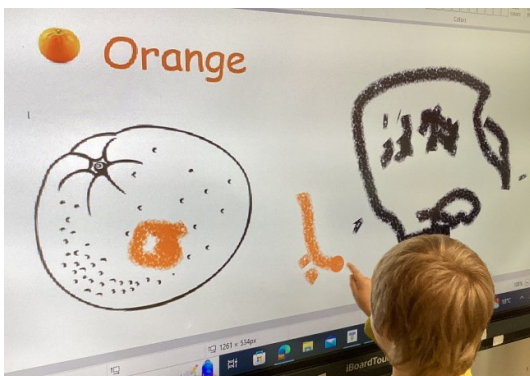
Through Attention Autism Bucket Sessions, we have been developing our number skills through counting and playing number splat. We have also been copying simple actions and turn taking.



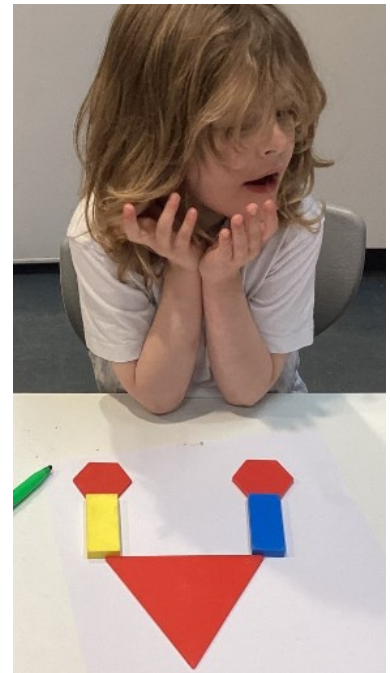
Lower School News



In Eden, we enjoy our 'letter of the day' activities. We have been matching pictures to objects, practising our mark making and developing our confidence with sentence building using colourful semantics.



Lower School News



'Mr Gumpy's Motor Car' has inspired many of our activities so far this term. We have used 2D shapes to make pictures and moved toy cars through paint to watch the marks they make. Through these activities we were learning to follow instructions and to communicate with symbols, whilst having lots of fun!



Lower School News



In Maths, we have been looking at Geometry. We have been handling a range of 2D and 3D shapes. We have been using paint to explore properties of shape and enjoyed making 3D models.



We share books and practise our attention skills — here we are enjoying a few of our favourite books.



Upper School News



This month at Upper School we are hearing from our physiotherapy superstars in Lamorna class! We have been keeping our whole bodies moving by stretching, walking, dancing, swinging, bouncing, rocking, pushing and balancing.



Upper School News



In Lamorna we are learning to use our hands to grip, hold and release different items.



Upper School News



During our communication sessions in Lamorna class we have been looking at ourselves in the mirror alongside our photos so that we can see “the photographs is me”. In the Autumn term we greeted each other with the ‘big mack’ greetings in English ‘hello’ and Cornish ‘Dydh Da’, this term we are using our voices to say ‘hello’ into the microphone.



Health News!



**ChatHealth
Parent Line 0-5**



07312 263 423

**ChatHealth
Parent Line 5-19**



07312 263 499

**ChatHealth Young
People 11-19**



07312 263 096



ChatHealth
Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly

www.cornwall.gov.uk/chathealth

Get
confidential
health and
wellbeing advice
and support

From Monday 15 January 2024, we have introduced a quick and easy way for young people and parents / carers to contact Health Visitors and School Nurses in Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly.



ChatHealth

There are three advice lines as follows:

- young people aged 11-19 : **07312 263 096**
- parents / carers of children aged 0-5: **07312 263 423**
- parents / carers of children and young people aged 5-19: **07312 263 499**

Users can send a message, anonymously if they wish, to Health Visiting and School Nursing to get confidential help and advice about a range of health concerns, including:

- Sleep
- Child development
- Support with behaviour
- Toileting
- Feeding and nutrition
- Keeping safe and healthy
- Childhood illnesses and support with medical conditions at school
- Emotional, mental health and wellbeing
- Relationships
- Smoking and vaping
- Drugs and alcohol

The messaging service is available Monday to Friday (excluding bank holidays) from 9am to 5pm. When a message is sent to the numbers, an automated reply confirms the message has been received. A trained healthcare professional will reply to the message during office hours within 48 hours.

Alternatively you can contact the service via:

- Telephone: 01872 324261
- Email: hvsnadvice@cornwall.gov.uk

Personal Development



Every 2 weeks we will be introducing a new focus for Personal Development. This links closely with our PSHE offer and with the Curnow Code. It also supports our work on Promoting British Values (see next page for additional information on this).

We will be sharing the themes for these weeks through this newsletter, please contact the class teacher if you would like more information on what class groups are doing to promote learning in the theme areas.

Lower School Themes -

Being Kind

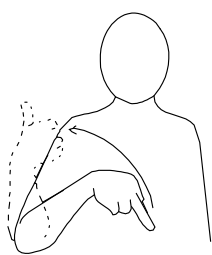
Being Active

Upper School Themes -

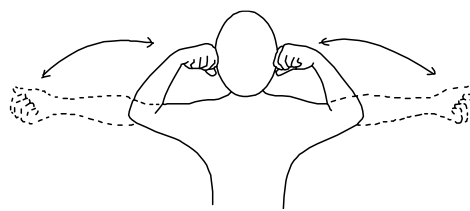
Random acts of kindness

Being Active

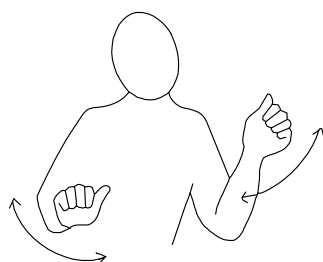
Some of the key signs we will be learning—



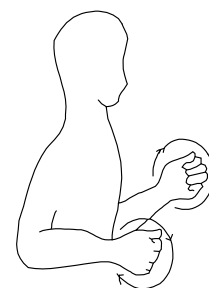
kind



exercise



dance



run

Promoting British Values

British Values

We respect the culture and beliefs of others.

We know that we are all special.

We understand and respect the roles of people who help us.

We understand the consequences of our actions.

We treat everybody equally.

We understand right from wrong.

We listen to and respect other people's opinions and values.

We try to help.



Through our curriculum and our ethos we teach the children about respect for others, how to act toward others, how to act in the wider world and about rights and responsibilities. We do this under the guidance provided by the British Values and in line with the Curnow Code.

Curnow Code!



For those of you who are not familiar with our Curnow Code here it is! We promote this through the Personal Development themes, the PSHE curriculum and through our weekly assemblies. Curnow Lower School have a younger version displayed in school.

'The Curnow Code'

At Curnow we are all aiming

- To be kind and thoughtful to others
- To look after the school and everything in it
- To always try our best
- To keep ourselves and each other safe
- To always show people how good our school is
- To learn how to cope when things go wrong
- To be happy and healthy

Events



Commissioned
by the NHS



**Parent Support and Education
Workshops:
Introduction to Sensory Processing
June 7th and 14th 2024
Old School Centre, Nance Lane
Illogan
10.00am - 1.30pm**

In order to attend this workshop you will need to be available
for both days and complete an eligibility questionnaire.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/parent-support-and-education-workshops-introduction-to-sensory-processing-tickets-715441222957?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

Free event being held right next door to Lower School! This course still has some places, registration requires completion of a questionnaire, please find details and booking information on the Eventbrite link.

It was a bit difficult to find on the site, if you move the map to hover over Redruth area and ask it to search the area the course will come up. Heartlands event is already full.



Parent Carers Cornwall

Drop-in

Information Event

March 7th 2024

10.00am-1.00pm

Long Gallery, Eden Project

Some of the
Organisations
attending are

CAMHS

Transport

**EHCP
Team**

**Direct
Payments**

**Social
Care**

**And
many
more**





Parent and Carers Coffee Morning

For the February and March coffee mornings we will be sharing an overview of our PSHCE curriculum. To ensure it is relevant for your child we will be running 2 sessions

Thursday February 8th 930-1130

For parents of students in

Sennen, Crofty, Lamorna and Post 16 (Dee's group)

Thursday March 14th 930 1130

For Parents of students in

Tehidy, Eden, Sowenna, Mylor, Tolcarne,

Fistral, Rock and post 16 (Jenni's group)

Both coffee mornings will be held at Upper School

