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# Parc Eglos School Newsletter

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*'Learning today for the world of tomorrow'*

## Swimming pool

Firstly, as you are no doubt now aware, we had to close the swimming pool this week so there haven't been any swimming lessons during or after school. Unfortunately, there will not be any lessons for the foreseeable future whilst we await the results of a full survey. Children will still need to come to school wearing their sport kit as the alternative arrangements will involve physical activity to replace the swimming. The change in weather conditions last weekend increased the condensation levels in the ceiling so a couple of panels fell in and around the pool. The Health and Safety risk of further panels falling resulted in us making the decision to close until further notice. As soon as we know more details about when we will be able to use the pool we will let you know, we are very hopeful that this will not have a long term affect on the use of the pool.

## Maths Whizz

A letter was sent out at the start of term about children using Maths Whizz at home - can we please remind you that children need to be accessing Maths Whizz and earning 3 gems each week. Some children are absolutely smashing this target and this is fantastic - well done - it really does make a difference! However, we have lots of children that are not accessing Maths Whizz or achieving their gems. If you are having problems accessing it at home, please come and speak to your child's teacher.

## A sad farewell

Finally, after 15 years at Parc Eglos Mrs. Lawlor has made the decision to prioritise time with her family and focus on the other commitments she is already involved in, so she will sadly be leaving us at the end of this term. She has asked me to let you know that she has had an amazing and enjoyable time at Parc Eglos and is grateful for the opportunities and experiences that she has had. She has loved working with the amazing children, parents and staff over the years and that she will miss them all greatly. Mrs Lawlor will be sadly missed, but we wish her every success in this exciting next chapter.

## Remembrance Parade

We would like to take part in the Remembrance Parade and are sending out an invitation to all who would like to take part. It would be wonderful if our school was well represented at the parade on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November so that Mrs. Banner is not walking on her own! Please be at the Trengrouse Way Extension Car Park between 10.00am and 10.15am.

We will be looking for volunteers to carry the Helston HMS Heroes Standard. The parade will make its way through town to the Grylls Monument for a service of remembrance where we will be laying a wreath. We hope some of you will be able to join in remembering our service personnel past and present at this service.

## Father Christmas at Helston Railway



Book your children to see Father Christmas at Helston Railway and receive a present. Trains run in December on these dates:

Saturday 9th / Sunday 10th  
Saturday 16th / Sunday 17th  
Wednesday 20th / Thursday 21st / Friday 22nd  
Saturday 23rd

Trains start at 10.30am and on the hour until 17.30pm departure with a late train at 18.15pm, including Sherry and Mince Pies!

Please visit:

[www.helstonrailway.co.uk](http://www.helstonrailway.co.uk)

**Booking is ESSENTIAL!**



### Movie Nights Next Week

Thank you, once again, for the wonderful fundraising effort last year for the Hall for Cornwall trip. We are delighted to announce that many children helped raise the money needed to pay for the tickets for the show and we have booked the trip for Monday 11th December. All children from Reception to Year 6 will be invited on this trip, more details about the trip will be shared in due course. Our next challenge is to raise the money for the coaches which will transport the children. Our first fundraiser is a special movie night to raise these necessary funds. We are also very grateful to our PTA who are working with us to support the fundraising efforts and for volunteering to support these events. They organised our very successful Autumn Fayre and are also busy planning the annual Christmas Fayre being held on Thursday December 7<sup>th</sup>.

We are very excited to be holding our first Movie Night next week for each phase. These will hopefully be a fun and memorable evening for the children which we hope to repeat through the year. Details below explain dates, times and the movie to be shown. The cost will be £5 and this includes a drink and popcorn. Booking will be through the google form which can be found following the link below. You can pay on parent pay under the payment item MOVIE or by cash to the office. *Once you have paid please come and collect your child's ticket from the school office.*

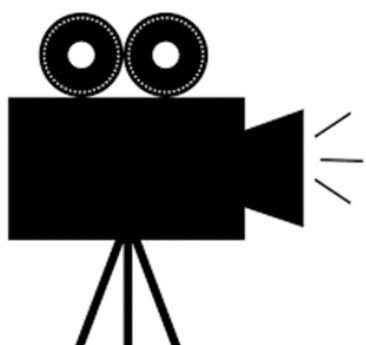
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All money raised will help towards the cost of the coaches to transport everyone to the Pantomime when we all go on 11<sup>th</sup> December. This week classes have been asked to vote for their favourite films, with the school council taking a lead on managing the gathering of ideas and voting to make the final decision.

	Classes	Date	Start time	Collection	Movie
Phase 1	FS: Stars, Sunbeams, Y1: Dolphins, Seahorses	Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	3.15pm	4.30 pm from their classroom door	Gruffalo Series
Phase 2	Y2: Dragonflies, Butterflies, Y3: Penguins, Wise Owls	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	3.15pm	5.00 pm from their classroom door	Monsters Inc
Phase 3	Y4: Busy bees, Determined Dinos Y5: Puffins, Golden Geese Y6: Poldark, Kynance	Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	5.00pm	6.30pm from the hall	The Super Mario Bros Movie

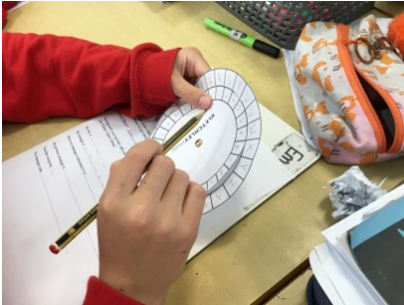
As phase 3 children will be coming back to school to watch their film, they are welcome to bring a blanket, small pillow etc if children would like to come back to school in their pyjamas for added fun they are more than welcome!

Thank you for your continued support and hope you will support your child's movie night next week.



# MATHS WEEK

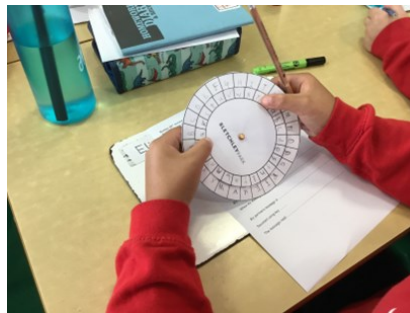
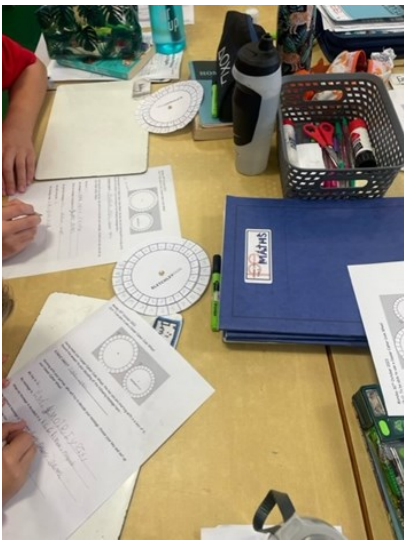
Our Autumn Term maths week was based on famous mathematicians from the past, such as Einstein, Archimedes, Gauss and Turing. Children learned about these mathematicians in assembly and then in class did some amazing maths linked them. In [Year 6](#), children looked at the work of Alan Turing and created cipher wheels so that they were able to both encrypt and decrypt messages.



AS PART OF THE AUTUMN TERM MATHS WEEK BASED ON HISTORICAL MATHEMATICIANS, YEAR 6 LOOKED AT THE WORK OF ALAN TURING DURING THE WAR. THIS LINKS TO OUR HISTORY TOPIC ON WWII

WE CREATED CIPHER WHEELS TO ENCRYPT AND DECRYPT CODES.

WE ARE GOING TO BE LOOKING AT ERATOSTHENES WHO DISCOVERED THE PRIME NUMBERS.



[Year 3](#) worked on learning to tell the time for the week - inspired by Benjamin Banneker, who invented America's first clock.

[Year 5](#) spent some time learning about the life and achievements of Katherine Johnson and how she was vital in the achievements of NACA/NASA.

[Year 2](#) were inspired by Christiaan Huygens who invented the first ever pendulum clock which made time pieces more accurate. They made their own clocks and learnt how to tell the time to o'clock, quarter past, half past and quarter two.

[Year 1](#) - here is some of the work that year 1 did!



## We are Masters of Maths!



Tastelling Tangrams!  
Can you use the shapes to make other shapes

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Lowering Towers!  
Can you work together to build the tallest tower?

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Puzzling Puzzles!  
Can you complete the puzzle before the timer runs out?



### Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
Thursday 9th November 2023	3.15pm Phase 1 Movie Night (Foundation and Year 1) 5.00pm phase 3 Movie Night (Years 4, 5 and 6)
Friday 10th November 2023	3.15pm Phase 2 Movie Night (Years 2 and 3)
W/C 13th November 2023	National Anti Bullying Week
Friday 17th November 2023	Children in Need - Non Uniform
Monday 20th November 2023	PM Foundation Stay and Play Sessions
Tuesday 21st November 2023	PM Foundation Stay and Play Sessions
Thursday 23rd November 2023	PM Foundation Stay and Play Sessions
Friday 1st December 2023	Festive Jumper Day / Tree Decorating Assembly
Wednesday 6th December 2023	Phase 1 Nativity Performance (Foundation and Y1)
Thursday 7th December 2023	Christmas Fayre
Monday 11th December 2023	Whole School Panto Trip / Hall for Cornwall
Tuesday 12th December 2023	Phase 3 (Years 4, 5 and 6) Carol Concert - St Michaels Church 1.30pm and 6pm
Wednesday 13th December 2023	Phase 2 (Years 2 and 3) Christmas Play 1.30pm and 5pm
Wednesday 13th December 2023	School Choir singing at Tesco - AM
Friday 15th December 2023	Christmas Lunch Day
Tuesday 19th December 2023	Last day of Autumn Term
Thursday 4th January 2024	First day of Spring Term
12th—18th February 2024	HALF TERM
Monday 19th February 2024	INSET DAY
W/C 4th March 2024	Book Week
Thursday 28th March 2024	Last Day of Spring Term
Wednesday 8th May 2024	Flora Day

### Weekly Attendance

Class	Attendance %	No. of Lates
Sunbeams	95.9	2
Stars	96.8	1
1KB	97.3	0
1HH/BM	97	0
2KJ	98.8	1
2NE	94.3	1
3KD	99.1	0
3SG/PL	98.3	0
4SC	89.7	1
4SR	96.1	0
5RG/HH	87.8	0
5CW	98.5	2
6KH	96.4	1
6DF	94	2

The expected percentage attendance for a child is 96%. Let's see if each class can aim for this or above!

Whole
School
Total
95.8%



### Healthy Lunches/Snacks

Please can we ask that children who are packed lunch bring in a healthy lunchbox. Children are not permitted to bring sweets or chocolate into school as an item of their lunchbox. We also ask that children bring in a healthy bread/fruit based snack for break time. Healthy snacks can be purchased from the school kitchen for 30p per day. Many thanks.



Next week, our school menu will be on **WEEK 3**