

# Mullion CP News

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## School Improvement

We have had a busy few weeks settling back into routines and introducing new topics for learning. Not only are we keeping our attention on reading and times tables, this term, we are looking at the key skills for learning and developing independence in learning. Already each child has a 'Have a Go' wheel and are collecting stickers indicating that they have shown these vital skills in their learning through the different subjects.

Research has shown that children who are self confident and able to actively problem solve are those who make really good progress so please support us at home with questions such as 'What would help you to solve that?', 'What have you tried already?', 'What do you know that might help you?'.

We'll be asking the children for feedback about how the skills help them in learning later in the term.

## Attendance to date 95.2% is the minimum expectation

Pebbles	%
Shells	%
Starfish	%
Seahorses	%
Footprints	%
Waves	%
Surfers	%

#### Topic webs and assessment

Each of the class teachers should have provided you with a topic web, via the website, showing what the children will be learning about this half term. If you have the opportunity to reinforce the topic learning through trips to relevant places, discussion or reading, please do so as it links home and school learning really well and adds to the children's understanding.

Towards the end of this term, we prepare and send out your child's annual report. It is sent mid year as it gives a chance to reflect on learning so far and set targets to achieve before the end of the year. If there are any on going concerns about your child's progress, please make contact with your child's teacher.

Parent Forum news is now on the website.
Our meeting discussion was about school uniform, many thanks if you feedback comments to your reps. We are investigating uniform options in response to your comments.

We also heard that online communication is successful for most people. Please don't forget that you can let Ms Hill know if you need a paper copy of any newsletter. It's not a problem to have a few printed off.

As part of a discussion about nits, 'Nitty gritty nit combs' (Boots) were recommended, along with the suggestion to have a bug busting day, regularly where all children's hair is checked, to try to break the cycle. (We're making contact with Boots to see if we can make a bulk order to achieve a reduction in cost.)

## <u>Sai</u>ling

We are in the process of setting up sailing for Surfer's for the summer term and a letter has gone out asking Year 6 parents if they would like to be trained up to support the sailing programme. As this training is not exclusive to Year 6 parents, if you are keen to be involved, please make contact with Mrs Griffiths, who is co-ordinating sailing this year.

## Bonus Ball Fundraiser

Congratulations to the following who have all won £25 in the latest draw:

Week 1& 4  $\sim$  Gayle Hoskin Week 2  $\sim$  John Dark Week 3  $\sim$  Sam Little The Friends have asked that thanks are passed on to everyone who is part of the venture for their support.

## Staffina

Next week, we welcome Mr Neil Reid to come and work in Pebbles, supporting learning in the outdoor area. Mr Reid has been working with this age group locally and we are looking forward to him joining the team.

Sadly, after only a short time with us Mrs Jorro is moving with her family out of the county, so we will be replacing her role in Shells after half term. We wish her very best wishes for the future and are grateful for the contribution she has made to the staff her time with us.

### Community links

We've been asked by Maxine Sargent to advertise local fitness opportunities.

On offer is;

Aerobics ~ Tuesdays 7–8pm at Cury

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Circuits ~ Wednesday 7-8pm at Cury

Pilates ~ Saturdays 9.30-10.30 at Gweek Village Hall

They are suitable for all abilities, offering high and low exercise options. If you are interested, or require more details, please ring 07966675596.

# **Diary Dates**

Jan 30 Fire Service Talk

Jan 31 Pebbles Grandparent's tea Feb 4th Bring and buy sale 2pm

Feb 5th Shells class assembly

Year 5&6 topic trip to Maritime museum

Feb 6th Pebbles' Parent/teacher meeting

Feb 10th Year 3&4 topic trip to Maritime Museum

Feb 12th Pebbles class assembly

Parent coffee afternoon

Feb 14th Teacher training day
Feb 24th Back to school



