



Friday 15th March

Our reading week last week was a HUGE success so a big thank you for supporting us and the children at the book fair, reading cafes and World Book Day. The book fair and sponsored read raised a whopping £1667 to spend on books so together with that and our recent library bus visit, we now have a huge range of new books that the children have chosen.

If you ordered a book from the book fair, they arrived today and are making their way home tonight.

Don't forget to spend your £1 book token to choose a free book. You can do this at the Helston Bookshop, Tesco or Sainsburys.



Kenza now has a new friend in school, Mr Chirgwin's Cockerpoo puppy Gwinny. She is slowly being introduced to the children in school as she is only 12 weeks old. Kenza has also been in school this week helping Mrs Higgins with her phonics lessons!



Stars of the Week

Nursery	Emma
Reception	Aiden
Year 1	Ivy
Year 2	Bea
Year 3	Zara
Year 4	George
Year 5	Jackson
Year 6	Harvey

Virtues Award

EYFS/KSI	Jamie
KS2	Alexander

Attendance

Target for 2023/24: 96%

W/b 11 March	Weekly Attendance
Pebbles	97.7%
Shells	97.1%
Starfish	92.6%
Waves	89.7%
Surfers	91.8%

Attendance

You will know that attendance is a key priority for us at Mullion Primary School. Being present daily will avoid gaps in learning and allow your child the best chance to be the best they can be. We have adopted the Trust's attendance policy so this means we are also consistent in our approach with Mullion Secondary School. Please have a read of the attendance policy - you can access it on our school website here: <https://mullion.eschools.co.uk/web/attendance/669208/cHJldmllld3x8MjAyNCOwMyOxNSAxNDoyMDoyOQ%3D%3D>

The key message is first and foremost: **we are here to help**. I will always find time to meet with parents so that we can work together to overcome challenges that your child or family may be facing.

Inline with the policy, we will be monitoring attendance daily, with a focussed review fortnightly. The key outcomes from this is to identify children who may be in the 'persistent absence' category. This is when attendance falls below 90%. We are also tracking broken weeks. A broken week is simply a school week with one session of absence.

After the Easter holidays, we will follow the policy by sending out a letter to families who's child has had 2 or more broken weeks within a half term period or 3 broken weeks in a term. This is to ensure we are engaging with those who may be facing challenges with attendance and work together to understand how we can support or what the barriers may be. If absence continues after this stage, parents will be invited in so we can have a discussion of support.

Please remember that whilst letters being sent home are a formal process, and one which we must follow due to policy, we do highly value face to face dialogue to support so please never hesitate to drop in and see me for a chat about supporting attendance.

Take pride in my work and view
challenge as an opportunity to
learn

Respect others, showing
kindness and empathy

Mullion 3

Care for our school and
everything in it

Sports News

Well done to Blair, Maya, Lily, Emily and Felix who represented Mullion SLSC and took part in the Surf Life Saving Still Water Event at Penzance. The children took part in a variety of events including a flipper race, tube rescue race, manikin carry, board race, board rescue, board relay and medley.



Unfortunately Fia was injured but came along to support!

Well done to our 3 finalists, Alex MB, Felix and Maya who took part in the Peninsula Cross Country Finals in Pool this week. Congratulations to Maya who has now qualified for the Cornwall School Games County finals in Newquay on the 25th March.



Easter Egg Competition

The PTA has organised an Easter colouring contest. All children have been given a picture to colour in and if they want to enter they need to bring it back to school by Friday 22nd March with their £1 entry fee. Please make sure they write their name and class on the back.

Easter Raffle

Win a hamper full of Easter Goodies! Tickets are a £1 each or 5 for £4 and are available from members of the PTA in the front playground before and after school. The lucky winner will be drawn on Thursday 28th March.

Diary Dates

Thursday 22nd March	Year 4 Pinhole Photography trip
Wednesday 27th March	Pebbles trip to The Donkey Sanctuary
Thursday 28 th March	Last Day of Term
Monday 15 th April	Return to School
Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday
Wednesday 8th May	School Closed—Flora Day
Week of 13th May	Year 6 SATS
Friday 24 th May	Last Day of Half Term
Monday 3 rd June	Return to School
Mon 3rd to Fri 7th June	Year 6 Residential to Isles of Scilly
Friday 14th June	Year 6 Sailing starts at Trevassack Lake
Mon 17th to Wed 19th June	Year 4 & 5 Residential to Porthpean
Wednesday 24 th July	Inset Day—Last Day of Term