## Tintagel Primary School Newsletter October 2024

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The first half of the Autumn Term is slipping through our fingers and already there has been so much to celebrate. Every class has planned opportunities to be out in the local environment to help the children understand more about nature and make the most of the wealth of geography on our doorstep.

I am really pleased with how the school has settled with our new class structure and routines for learning are now established.

We are delighted to have appointed our Y6 House Captains for the year and we are in the final stages of recruiting a new Pupil Leadership Team that will act as the pupil voice for school improvement moving forwards.

We also have children taking on the roles of Playground Leaders and Nursery Buddies again this year, showing leadership attributes in supporting younger members of our tribe over playtimes and lunchtimes. Everything is up and running, ready for a great year ahead.



#### **Parents Evening:**

Parent Meetings will take place on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> October and slots are now available to book through your Arbor App account. We like to meet with you early in the year to share how your child has settled in and to discuss their attitudes to learning and anything that you can do to support them. This meeting will only be a maximum of ten minutes and won't be attainment driven – more of an opportunity to touch base on how the first few weeks have been. We encourage you to bring your child along as this is another way they can see how we all work together to support them. If the timings are inconvenient, please contact the office for a separate meeting. It is important we touch base with all families at this early stage.

#### Harvest Festival:

We would love to invite you to the school hall for a Harvest celebration on **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October at 9:30am** This will be for an assembly led by Rev. Parsons, where each class will be sharing a short performance with you. We hope you can join us. This year we are collecting non-perishable donations for The Coach House Food Hub. Please bring any donations to the office by Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> thank you.

#### **Wraparound:**

We are constantly reviewing our wraparound provision, and whilst it isn't used widely, we know it makes a real difference for a few of our families. We have sadly taken the tough decision to stop the Breakfast session currently as there is very little need for this. In addition, just a reminder that there is no after school sessions on a **Friday**. All other after school sessions will continue as normal and you can book in the usual way on ParentPay. We need parents to book at least 24 hours in advance so we know if children are attending and can sort staffing.

If you are struggling and need provision on days that we no longer offer, please come and talk to us. If there is a demand, we are happy to reinstate sessions

#### Reception Intake for 2025-2026:

It is the time of the year where parents are making the decision about which school to send their pre-school child to next year. We are holding an open afternoon on Wednesday 6th November at 3:30pm for any prospective parents to showcase all that Tintagel School has to offer. This will involve an opportunity to meet staff and to have a tour of the school. Please help us spread the word.



In addition, we are holding a **Nursery Open Afternoon**, date TBC, for any families who are looking into provision for their child aged 2 and over. We have continued to refine our wonderful Saplings room, with many new resources and would love to share this with families in the area. Sessions are starting to become busy so if you have a child already in the Nursery and are wanting to up hours in the future, please talk to Mrs Taylor so we can ensure we can offer you what you need.

### **Arbor:**

From October half term, parents/carers will receive instant messaging via the Arbor Parent App ONLY. The old SMS service is being withdrawn. If you haven't already done so, please download the ARBOR APP via the App Store or Google Play. The app allows you to receive the latest messages from your child's school, book parent/carer consultation slots (where applicable), track your child's attendance, view club information and manage/update the information that we hold about both you and your child, including consents.

Visit https://www.aspireacademytrust.org/arbor for support.



Kind regards

Lou Kirkman and the team

# Diary dates:

Autumn Term 1 2024	
Wednesday 9th October	Oak Class trip to Rough Tor
Mondays (exc. 21st Oct & 4th	Beech and Oak Class swimming
Nov)	
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	Nasal Flu Vaccinations
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Year 1 Hearing Screening
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Parents Evening
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Parents Evening
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	9:30am Harvest Festival
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Last day Autumn Term 1
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	First day Autumn Term 2