



Mount Hawke Academy News

Head of School: Miss C Biddick

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Dear Families

We've had another super week in school. The boys have played another football match away, progressing to the next round of the competition and it was wonderful on Wednesday night to play our first home match in a very long time, where the girls played a super match against Wadebridge. Years Five and Six have also started their mindfulness sessions and have found these to be very useful.

Celebrations

We held our Friday Virtual Assembly today and it was lovely to share the news from each class with everyone, and enjoy that wonderful family feeling. Even though we still can't see each other in real life, getting the whole school together in Teams helps us feel so connected.

Class	Celebration	Achievement
Mousehole	Thea	Edison
Godrevy	Lara	Charlie
Longships	Zara	Dylan
Pendeen	Suzy	Dulcie
Carne	Hector	Aimee
Gwithian	Ralph	India
Lamorna	Leo	Maya
Class 5MB	Carys	Sylvie
Class 5LW	Isaac	Joshi
Class 6	Abi	Lana

School Census Day

Next Thursday, 20th May 2021, is National School Census Day, when the Department for Education (DfE) collects information about each school to help them plan for the future and, most importantly, the data is used to set future school budgets. One of the figures we must report is the number of Reception and Years 1 & 2 children who are having a Universal Infant Free School Meal (UIFSM) on this day.

The census data is then used to decide how much funding for the year we receive for our school meals. This means that if your child does not have a meal on Thursday, we will not receive any further funding for the rest of the year. If your child chooses to have a meal on another day, we will have to fund this from our school budget. We do not receive funding for the number of meals we supply, only the number of meals eaten on the census days each year.

Our solution to this problem is to ask every child in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to try the school meal (or part of it) on Census Day which is a Hot Dog, or Veggie Hot Dog, or School Packed Lunch followed by Chocolate Brownie and ice cream. Your child will then be fully funded to have School meals during the year thus saving the school any additional costs. You are welcome to send in a home packed lunch as a back-up.

Thank you for your support.



Start of the Day

Please remember that we shut the gates at 8.45 am and children need to arrive before this time. Those early moments in school are invaluable and include activities such as maths, handwriting, reading and changing books.

Safety Around the School

Please remember that Rodda's Road can have traffic in it and the road through the village can be very busy. The bus has to reverse to continue its run so please remind your children not to cross behind the bus. We have also reminded the children today not to climb on the hedge or tree outside the school as these are getting damaged and to walk their bikes out through the gate.

Government Guidance

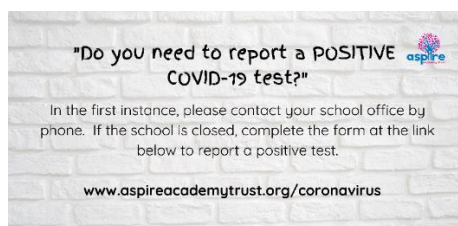
The guidance from the Government for primary schools has not changed so please continue to wear masks onsite (unless you are exempt) and socially distance. Thank you for your super support in this – it is wonderful that we haven't had to close any bubbles so far.

What to do if a COVID test comes back positive?

If the test comes back positive during school hours, please phone us straight away.

If the test comes back positive out of school hours, please access the form below:

<http://www.aspireacademytrust.org/coronavirus>



Communications

Remember to use the email hello@mounthawke.org or phone 01209 890230 if you need to speak to one of us, let us know about something or share something with us. Even though we can't have a conversation at the classroom door or in the playground, we are still available. Miss Biddick is usually on the gate every morning and afternoon too.

All of us here at school would like to wish you a very happy and safe weekend.



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Friends of Mount Hawke Academy School PTA (FOMHS) News

Project Playtime

FOMHS is raising funds to **brighten up the playground and provide more play items for all the children at break times.**

Thank you to all those who have donated this year to our various fundraisers and here is our progress so far:

Plants for the Playground

FOMHS were able to buy a large amount of perennial bulbs at a very reduced price and supplied to school. Thanks to those who planted them in! Thank you as well to those parents and residents of Mount Hawke who have donated plants, bulbs, soil and planters, the children will really appreciate the colourful displays at playtime! We would still appreciate donations so if you have any plants that you can donate, or bulbs, or shrubs, please do drop them at school. It would be great to have flowers all year round for the children to enjoy in the grounds.

Skipping Ropes

FOMHS have provided funds to buy 20 long skipping ropes (2 per class) and 15 skipping ropes for every class! Look out for pictures on the school social media pages of happy children skipping!

Playground Markings

We are looking to lay playground markings, such as hopscotch for the children to enjoy when they are outside. The huge amount raised for the Smartie Challenge will help make this possible, so a huge thank you to everyone who donated!

Easter Smartie Challenge

WOW! The Easter Smartie Challenge raised £820 for the school! Thank you to everyone who donated and thank you to the children for all the helpful jobs and extra reading they did! There were too classes who raised the most so well done Pendeen and Godrevy! They will receive some extra playtime and a film screening approved by Miss Biddick as their class reward.

FOMHS Needs You

FOMHS is open to new members, if you can contribute in any way, find our group "FOMHS" on Facebook and request to join.

We also have a public Facebook page for information on our events: [Friends of Mount Hawke Academy School \(FOMHS\) PTA](#)

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