



### **READING AT ST DAY AND CARHARRICK**

As we approach the end of the spring term we have begun assessing the children on their phonics progress since the beginning of the spring term. Through determination and perseverance from our children, reading teachers, whole school staff and parent support at home, we have made huge strides towards achieving this target. The progress made over the last term has shown progress for **EVERY CHILD** at St Day and Carharrack. This is an amazing team effort and partnership with home and school. We want to say thank you for your ongoing support with listening to your child read daily, practising Read Write Inc sounds which have been sent home and having an active role in supporting your child's progress. The ability to read is the key that opens our children's whole education and their ability to access it. We will confirm the date of our next reading session after Easter.



**'Teach a child to read and keep that child reading and we will change everything. And I mean everything.'** - Jeanette Winterson

### **FOOTBALLERS - St Day v St Hilary – Cruel luck sees St Day knocked out of the County Football Cup 4 – 3 in extra time**



On Tuesday 3rd of March the St Day football team, with the help of their parents, travelled down to St Hilary near Penzance to play a knockout game in the Under 11 County Shield football competition. It was an enthralling game, with the lead changing sides four times during the match. St Day started brightly with some excellent goalkeeping by Jay and some good inter passing between players, which

eventually led to the first goal scored by Junior.

St Hilary, the home side, came back strongly in the second half with two well-taken goals and it looked like that would be the final score. However, with just a few minutes remaining, a long ball from Theo found its way to Frankie who passed onto Osher, who with a very cool head, managed to thread the ball past the goalkeeper and level the score.

So the game moved into extra time with the score at two all. The first half of extra time saw some great defending from Tilly and Piran to deny a strong St Hilary attack and St Day held on until the second half. With 5 minutes left to play Frankie scored with a powerful shot and once again St Day were in front 2 – 3. At this point of the game, St Day's luck ran out, following a well taken free kick by St Hilary on the edge of the St Day penalty area. With the score again level and with one minute left to play, both teams were still in the competition, however it was St Hilary that broke the deadlock and emerged as winners 4 – 3 with seconds to spare.

Despite the final score, all the St Day players are to be congratulated on their effort and attitude throughout the match. They never let their heads drop, supported each other with encouragement during the game and took the loss in a very sporting manner, shaking hands and congratulating the winning team at the end of the match.

**Players: Jay, Tilly, Piran, Theo, Junior, Osher, Frankie**

## **Coronavirus – Additional measures to reduce the spread of the virus**

**Please see the school letter sent home on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March** – detailing the precautions we are taking and the school emergency closure procedures. **All this information is on our website under letters.** Current government policy is that schools should remain open. Today, the Department for Education and Public Health England have issued updated guidance for education settings:

- staff, young people and children should stay at home if they are unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature to avoid spreading infection to others.
- if staff, young people or children become unwell on site with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature they should be sent home
- clean and disinfect regularly touched objects and surfaces more often than usual using standard cleaning products
- supervise young children to ensure they wash their hands for 20 seconds more often than usual with soap and water or hand sanitiser and catch coughs and sneezes in tissues

**To help us keep the school as safe as possible for everyone could you please:**

- Keep us informed of any reasons for absence by calling the school office by 8.30am
- Contact 111 if you have any worries about your child's health or 999 in an emergency.

You can be assured that we will continue to monitor our children and, should any child present with symptoms during the day, we will contact you immediately to come and collect them. We will of course be reminding the children and staff to wash their hands properly and regularly. If you would like to send your child to school with their own pack of tissues and hand gel then please do. Thank you for your patience and understanding in supporting us through what is a uniquely challenging time for everyone. I am really proud of our children and staff for remaining calm and supportive of each other. We will continue to support individual families with difficult decisions you feel you may need to make for your own personal circumstances. Please do not hesitate to email or call me if you have any concerns.

**PLEASE NOTE:** In addition to halting planned trips and meetings in school, we are limiting parents and visitors being in the school building. Everyone is to enter through the office only and follow our visitor procedures. **Please note ALL CLUBS will be cancelled from tomorrow Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> ahead of next week.**

**FUNZONE** will remain open but it is essential for you to pre-book and pay by 11.30am to guarantee a place. If you do not phone the school to cancel a pre-booking, you will be charged for the first hour. **ADVANCE NOTICE: Due to high running costs and unrecovered debts we will not be able to continue running this provision as it is. In the first instance, FUNZONE will be closing at 5.00pm. This change will come into effect after Easter. A letter regarding FUNZONE will be sent out this week detailing why we have had to make this difficult decision and how we need your support to keep it going.**

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GOLDEN STARS**

**Opal class – EYFS** - **Carter** for always trying his best – he displays great resilience and kindness to all. **Jade Class – Year 1** - **Daisy-May** for being enthusiastic about her learning and trying hard to give 100% effort. **Amber Class - Year 2** - **Archie** for showing courage and confidence in his maths learning. **Topaz Class – Year 3** - **Alice** for always following our golden rules and enthusiasm during world book day. **Emerald Class – Year 4** - **Sky** for having great ideas and input during literacy. **Sapphire Class – Year 5** - **Ruby** for facing her fears and performing beautifully on stage. **Turquoise Class – Year 6** - **Zara** for her positivity and determination and setting a great example to everyone.

**We are very proud of all our children**

