



## LISKEARD HILLFORT PRIMARY SCHOOL | 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022



### Upcoming Events

**21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> Feb** : Half Term  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Mar** : Year 1 Hearing Tests  
**11<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> Apr** : Easter Holidays  
**15<sup>th</sup> Apr** : Good Friday  
**18<sup>th</sup> Apr** : Easter Monday  
**2<sup>nd</sup> May** : Early May Bank Holiday  
**16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> May** : Year 3 Residential Week  
**24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> May** : Year 6 Residential

[Hillfort Calendar](#)



### Health & Wellbeing

It's Children's Mental Health Week and we have some amazing new activities going on at Hillfort to help with children's mental health. Not only did we have Dude visit KS1 last week, we also have break time Yoga with Mrs Cotterill and our new bike track is working wonders! We also have word, that Dude may be returning soon to visit our KS2 children... how exciting!



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# Dear Families

I hope that you are all well.

I write this newsletter still buzzing about our football team's win away at Saltash. Despite going 1-0 down to Bishop Cornish, our Year 5/6 team battled back to a 1-1 half time score and ran off with the win in the second half! Given that Bishop Cornish are the current champions of Cornwall at that age bracket, this was no mean feat. Congratulations to all the children (and supporting adults!) in that team.

Talking of running, an equally huge congratulations to our hardy Cross Country runners at Lanhydrock last Friday! We were delighted that every child improved on their places from the previous run. And given the mountainous hill finish, we were super proud of the children who finished and went back onto the course to encourage children yet to finish. Congratulations to all the children (and supporting adults!) in that team too!

I'd like to put out a bit of a plea for some help with Maths. One of the key tasks that children need to learn in primary school is how much change to give/receive when buying items. So, we might ask older children "How much change do you receive out from a £20 note, if you buy a magazine at £3.20 and a chocolate bar at £1.15". At younger ages, the numbers are a little simpler! This used to be a task that parents could support with when popping to the shops... but with cash not being used nearly as much, we're noticing a real difference in school. Children simply aren't as good at understanding the concept of "change" here as they used to be. Children are seeing parents buy goods with cards, not cash. Even pocket money for many children is paid via Go Henry these days! This is the post-covid and modern era in which we live! So, anything you can do to support that, e.g. setting up a play shop at home, or by making a point of using cash occasionally, would be much appreciated!

And finally, for this week, we were pleased to introduce a range of new stories into Year One this week. Today's Every day, the children had a new story read to them. Today's book is the beautifully illustrated "What happened to you?". The author is James Catchpole and the illustrator is Karen George (anything families can do to reinforce the terms of "author" and "illustrator" is really useful too!). The book is about a little boy who only has one leg and how, in fact, a game of sharks is far more fun than worrying about a disability! The excitement around books here at Hillfort is palpable!

I hope that you have a lovely weekend!

Kind regards,

Tim Cook



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## Liskeard School Masterclasses

Dear Parent/Carer

### Primary Masterclasses – Programme 1 for Hillfort, Dobwalls and Darite

We are delighted to be able to invite your child to attend a series of Primary Masterclasses at Liskeard School. The aim of the masterclasses is to stretch and challenge your child further, help them develop new skills and work with like-minded students from a variety of primary schools. They will be taught by some of our best subject specialist teachers, taking advantage of the fabulous facilities we have on offer.

Your child is welcome to attend all of the classes or just those that interest them the most. For your child to attend, we would like you to complete the following link to select the classes your child will be interested in:

- **Masterclasses Selection form** – <https://forms.office.com/r/Ppq413btcg>

We have also provided a copy of the programme for you to tick the classes you have selected and keep as a reminder.

Since your child will be our responsibility during the time they are with us, we also require you to fill in the following medical consent form link:

- **Masterclasses Consent form** – <https://forms.office.com/r/m4f2bnnH3V>

This form gives your consent for your child to attend every Masterclass between now and the end of the summer term; therefore, **please do let us know if any medical information changes.**

If you have any questions about the masterclasses or would like to know more about Liskeard School in general, please do not hesitate to get in touch by email: [iayres@liskeard.net](mailto:iayres@liskeard.net) or phone 01579 342344 ext 110.

We are really excited to offer your child these opportunities and hope they enjoy the experience and learn lots!

Yours sincerely

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# Stars of the Week

## YEAR R

Reece Q ☆ for amazing phonics work and always trying really hard



## YEAR 2

Grace Y ☆ for excellent determination in TalkBoost

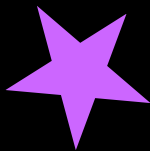
## YEAR 3

Darcie W ☆ for producing some amazing non-fiction writing and for always being a role model to her peers



## YEAR 5

Josh A ☆ for being an excellent friend and showing kindness to his peers



## YEAR 6

Bryony T ☆ for always trying her hardest and being a fantastic role model



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# CHECK IN WITH YOUR FRIENDS

If one of your friends doesn't seem OK, checking in on them can make a huge difference. One in every five children struggles with their mental health, so let's make sure we support each other through any difficult times.

**BE A GOOD  
LISTENER**

**ASK HOW  
YOU CAN  
HELP**

**SHOW  
EMPATHY**

**SEND A  
NICE  
MESSAGE**

**BE KIND**

★ **BE  
SUPPORTIVE** ★

IF YOU ARE WORRIED ABOUT A FRIEND  
**TELL A  
TRUSTED  
ADULT**

I SAW THIS AND  
THOUGHT OF YOU!

WANTED TO LET YOU  
KNOW I'M THINKING  
OF YOU!

I'M HERE WHEN YOU  
NEED ME.

MISSED YOU AT  
SCHOOL TODAY.  
EVERYTHING OK?

