

KEA NEWS

# A GREAT PLACE TO LEARN AND MAKE FRIENDS

## Message from Mrs Hunkin

I'm sure that everyone is looking forward to the further easing of government Covid-19 restrictions next week. Updated guidance for schools has been published and it's clear that we still have to avoid mixing class bubbles and ensure that we make every effort to enable parents to maintain social distancing around the school. With that in mind, please avoid bringing your children to school earlier than their start time, keep them close to you while waiting to go inside school and don't let play on the playground before or after school.

The regulations still state that if any child or member of staff have Covid symptoms they will need to isolate until they have a PCR test, and if anyone has a positive diagnosis of Covid (even with very mild or no symptoms) we would have to isolate their whole class bubble for the next 10 days. Even since the Easter holidays, a number of schools in Cornwall have had to close bubbles and revert to home learning and I am anxious to avoid this if we possibly can.

We are intending to run a number of after school clubs after the half term break. It is more complicated than usual, because of not being able to cross bubbles. We have fewer staff available to run after school clubs this term, and not all staff are comfortable with the idea of leading a club for children they don't work with every day. In order to maintain social distancing between parents and ensure that children from other classes don't mix, parents won't be able to stand and watch while their children play on other parts of the playground. We will publish a timetable of our clubs before the half term break.

Year 6 and Year 4 are both very excited about going to camp next week. Keep your fingers crossed for fine weather.



#### **Foundation**

YF have been excitedly learning about a variety of animals. They started by meeting 5 tiny caterpillars and

learning about the lifecycle of butterflies. The children were fascinated to examine our caterpillars and life cycle models using magnifying glasses.

At the end of the week the children learnt all about vets and how they help us to look after our pets and they finished the week off by hunting for a naughty pup who had created chaos in the classroom. The children loved talking about different types of footprints and had some great ideas about why animals have different types of feet!



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### <u>Year 2</u>

Year 2 have excelled themselves writing Newspaper Reports! We read the story of 'The Frog Olympics' and we have written a Newspaper Report to explain all about the event! I am incredibly proud of the hard work of all Y2 children with their writing. A big well done to Year 2!







## Kea School Fairy House





A massive thank you to John Rowe for making us a beautiful fairy house. We will

be putting it up in our school grounds for everyone to admire.



Rocco (yr 5), Jude (yr 4) and their local football team had the amazing opportunity of being able to play football at Plymouth Argyles Stadium against the academy. Great news boys.

#### Deputy Head Vacancy

Well Done Rocco and Jude

We are looking to recruit a deputy headteacher who is a strong leader and an experienced and inspirational teacher. It is likely that the successful candidate will be given a KS2 class in the first instance. This position is a full time permanent post to commence on I September 202.

To find out more about this post please e-mail the school office to request an application pack. Completed applications to be posted to the school office by Tuesday 18 May 2021. Interviews will be held Monday 24 May 2021.

