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## Perranporth School



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Learning - Engaged - Aspiring - Pride

For a little while, behind the scenes we have been developing a very exciting new school ethos called LEAP! This week was the official LEAP launch. Rather than explain LEAP to you here, we enrolled the support of our GREEN Ambassadors. Please watch the following short video to find out more about LEAP:

### Perranporth LEAP Video - YouTube

As part of our new LEAP initiative, the children have renamed their classes. We decided that this year would have a sporting theme. So, we now have:

Reception: 'Team St Piran' - We know he's not especially sporty, but he was too important to lose from our school.

Year 1: 'Team Lioness' - The England Team have been a real inspiration that we are all so excited about.

Year 2: 'Team Farah' - Mo Farah is such an incredible athlete who has an amazing story to tell and learn about.

Year 3: 'Team Scheffler' - Scottie Scheffler is a marvellous golfer and does so much for charity too!

Year 4: 'Team Raducanu' - For such a young player, Emma Raducanu has already made a huge impression on the tennis stage. She's someone that we can all learn from.

Year 5: 'Team Skinner aka 'Skindog' - What a treat to have our own Perranporth surfing superstar! We can't wait to learn about his fantastic achievements skills! Year 6: 'Team Vonn' - Lindsey Vonn is one of Alpine skiing's all-time greats! Her road to success is a breathtaking story!

Children will be learning more about their chosen team star as the year goes on. Our plan is then to change our theme each year, with more inspirational people to learn from.



Each week teachers will be on the look out for their Team's LEAP Learner. Someone who is showing those all important LEAP skills! So watch this space for more LEAP news.

# Aspirations Day Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Oct

### <u>Aspirations Day - Mon 16th Oct!</u>

As part of our LEAP project, we have planned a very exciting Aspirations Day on Monday 16th Oct. We'd like to say a huge thank you to the parents who came forward to volunteer their time for this special day - (staff will be in touch to share plans soon).

On the day we'll do all sorts of fun aspirations activities and learning. However, in case you want to star planning ahead, also on this day we will be asking children to come to school dressed up as someone or something they might aspire to be when they're older. This could be anything they like and all sorts of different things! Maybe it's a scientist, a musician, a zookeeper, an electrician, an author, a marine biologist, a baker - who knows? Only you can decide!

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### **Brass Lessons**

Have you considered learning a brass instrument?



Our school brass teacher Tamsin, is taking on new pupils for lessons. Brass is fun and sociable and as a primary teacher her strength is encouraging young people to take up brass and motivating them to keep learning. She has lots of patience and adapts lessons to suit every individual - learning is inspiring and pupils feel comfortable to make mistakes and grow in confidence. Music has so many benefits and helps with stress, concentration and memory skills. Instruments are available to hire from Cornwall Council from £28 so you could easily try brass for a term and see if it is for you. There's also financial support for eligible pupils.

If you are interested in learning one of these wonderful instruments, please see the attached letter and return the reply slip to the school office or email me on tamsinteacher@gmail.com. You will find reviews for my teaching on my Facebook page @tamsincarterbrassteacher and there is more information on our website <a href="http://cornwallmusicprovision.uk/">http://cornwallmusicprovision.uk/</a>

### **New Diamond Sixes!**

In order to ensure that our Diamond Rules are being followed and to help our school run smoothly; twice per year we elect six children from Year 6 to be our Diamond Sixes and two deputies. Earlier this term, the children in Year 6 had the opportunity to deliver a speech to the entire school to explain why they thought they would be a good candidate for the role. It is no easy task to stand in front of over two hundred people and speak about your qualities and suitability for such a prestigious position. However the children were very brave and did a brilliant job. In fact the speeches were so good, it gave the other members of the school an almost impossible task of voting for the people they felt would do the job best of all. On Monday this week, after all votes were counted (and counted again), the six candidates with the most votes were revealed in assembly. Perranporth School's Diamond Sixes for the first half of the year are: Thomas, Ayla, Finley, Corryn, Dillon and Levon with deputies Izzy B, Izzy Bro and Ebony (it was a three-way tie so we just had to have all three!).







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### **Super Swimmers!**

We'd like to share huge congratulations to
Manu (Year 5) and Izzy B (Year 6) for braving
some very challenging conditions to take part
in the annual Mad Hatter Swim Festival in Carbis Bay at the weekend, (Sun 17th Sept). Both
children completed the juniors event for 8-14
year olds covering a distance of approximately 500m in choppy open water, with Manu finishing 3rd and Izzy 4th in their age groups.
Not only did they both have an amazing swim,
they both came out smiling!! What an achievement!

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### **TPAT Advantage Project**

On Wednesday this week there was much excitement in Year 5 and 6 to say the very least! The excitement was all because this was our Advantage Project day. As some parents will already be aware, our Academy Trust, TPAT, has begun a very exciting and ambitious project which sees all of the children in Y5 and Y6 across over thirty schools receiving their own iPad to support learning.

At Perranporth School there were smiles all round as the children unboxed and set up their own devices on Wednesday morning. Now, teachers and children are beginning an exciting journey together to use these incredible learning tools too enhance our curriculum and classroom experiences.







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What is the Advantage Project?

The Digital Revolution (sometimes referred to as the 4th Industrial Revolution) has changed the way that we live, communicate and work forever. The Advantage Project is based on a belief that educational provision in the 21st Century must recognise, utilise and prepare our young people for the digital present and an unpredictable digital future. Advantage aims to place the latest digital technologies and applications into the hands of pupils and staff in order to: - improve outcomes and maximise opportunities for all.

It is not about abandoning work in books. Whilst some work can be completed on the iPad it will remain important that children continue to write in books to develop the skills associated with written work, including the development of handwriting and fine motor skills. Teachers will continue to ensure that tasks are completed in the most suitable media for the outcome intended.







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### **Sunflowers**

In the Summer Term, last academic year, you might remember children were sent home with some free sunflower seeds to plant at home. These seeds were kindly donated by Growing Together Cornwall. They are very keen to see if any children or families had success with their planting. On the right you can see Mr Johnson's sunflower, nicely accompanied by Marvin the doa!

If any families have some pictures of their grown sunflowers from the donated seeds, please feel free to share them with us on Class Dojo, and then we can send them on to Growing Together Cornwall. Thank you very much!



