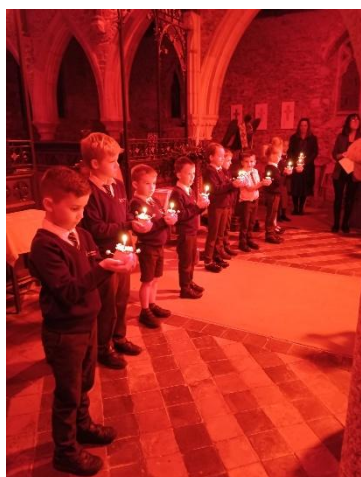




Friday 13th November 2024

Dear parents/carers,

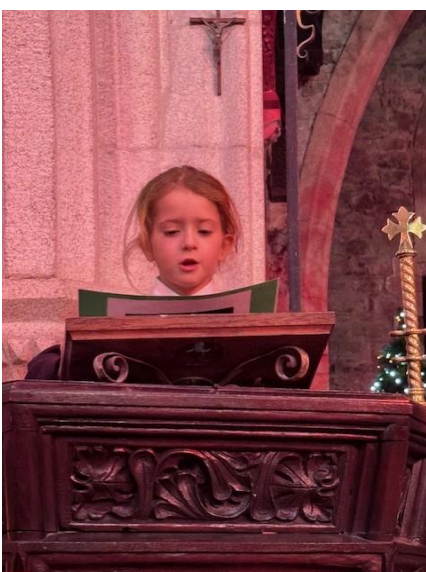
I hope that you and your families are well. The penultimate week of the autumn term in school has been very busy with lots of fantastic events, including the EYFS/KS1 Christingle, the KS2 Carol concert and this afternoon's Christmas Fayre.



EYFS /KS1 Christingle

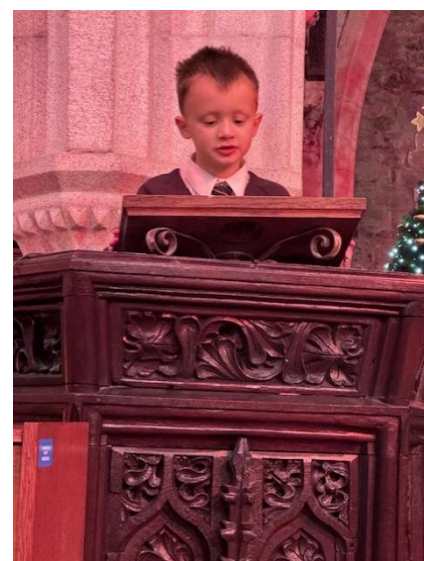
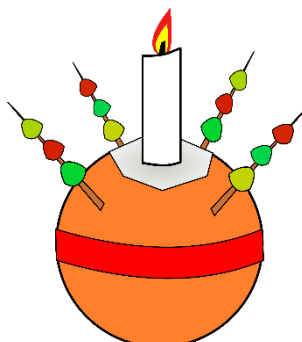
On Monday, our EYFS and KS1 children were delighted to visit Phillack Church in Hayle to share a Christingle Service, kindly hosted by Revd Michelle.

Building on their RE learning, the children enjoyed sharing their knowledge of the Christingle in the church setting, impressing Revd Michelle, parents and carers with their understanding of all that the Christingle represents to Christians.



During the celebration, our children performed a collection of festive songs, including traditional Christmas carols and songs from their own EYFS and KS1 Nativity, Out of the Arks: 'A King is Born!'

Thank you to all the parents/carers, family and friends who brought their children back for the Christingle service and joined with us to make this such a memorable event.



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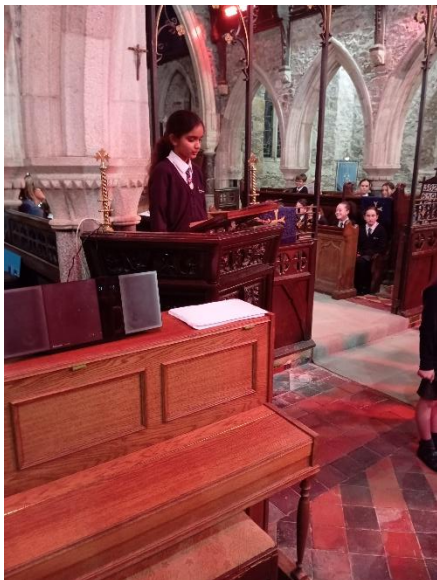


KS2 Christmas Carol Concert

On Tuesday afternoon we were delighted to host our KS2 Carol concert in school in the afternoon and in the evening at Phillack Church. The children from each class sang carols, interspersed with readings from our Year 6 children, along with handbells and trumpet performances. We are so proud of every child who took part and performed so beautifully.

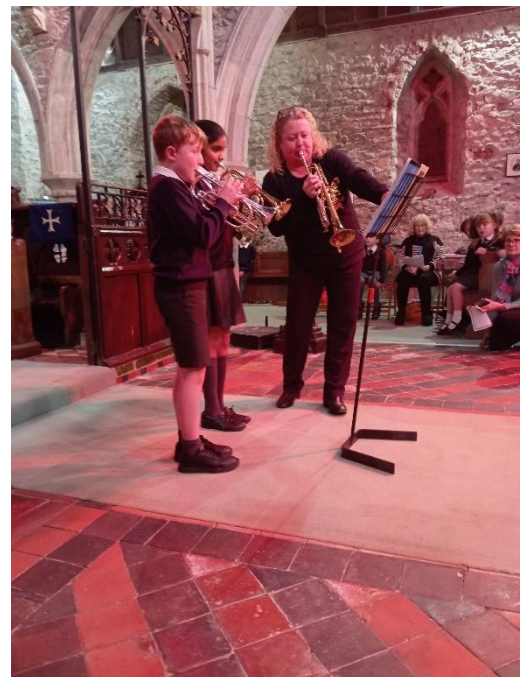


We would like to thank the parents/carers, family and friends who either came to school for the afternoon performance and/or brought their children back for the carol service in the evening and joined with us to make this such a memorable event.



We would also like to thank Mrs Burden on trumpet for her performance and for supporting the brass solo and handbell groups.

A final thank you must go to Revd Nat who oversaw the event and the Phillack Church community for allowing us to use the Church.



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Christmas Post Box

A reminder that the Christmas post box is still in the main corridor in the KS2 building. This will be available until the end of term for the children to post their Christmas cards to their friends. **Last Day for posting will be next Thursday, 19th December.**



Please can we ask that parents/carers ensure that both the **recipient's name and their year group** is marked clearly on the envelope to aid our Year 6 prefects when sorting into year groups for delivery. Thank you.

End of Term



A reminder that the final day of term is next **Friday, 20th December** – **this is a non-school uniform day.**

Classes will hold their Christmas parties in the morning. Children are invited to wear their own party clothes/Christmas jumpers. Please ensure clothing and footwear are suitable to play outdoors in during morning break and lunchtime.



Please note as previously advertised, we will be **finishing** school at the **earlier time of 2:00pm** on the last day.

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Friends of Connor Downs Academy – Fundraising

We are delighted to announce that the Friends of Connor Downs Academy have successfully applied to be put forward on the customer vote in Tesco Stores.

Their bid is for Active bodies, happy minds, with the aim to purchase more equipment to encourage the children of Connor Downs Academy to play outside; from trikes and bikes through to musical playground equipment.

If you shop in Tesco Camborne, TR14 8DT, please do make use of the blue tokens and cast your votes and let's try and secure this amazing funding.

The project with the highest number of votes during the voting period will receive £1,500, the second placed project, £1,000 and the third placed project, £500.

Voting is now open and will remain open until mid-January 2025.

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Pre-Loved Uniform

We believe that school uniform ensures all children are treated equally. Uniform still plays a vital role in promoting the ethos of a school, setting an appropriate tone for education and providing a sense of belonging and common identity regardless of background.

With this in mind, we run a pre-loved uniform shop through the Friends of Connor Downs Academy. The Friends will run pop up sales at various times throughout the year, but you can also contact them via their Facebook Page at any other time or you can come into the school office or email hello@connordowns.org.uk with your requirements. Thank you.

Attendance

Attendance Our school target for attendance is 97%		
1 st Place	Year 4	99.3 %

Kind Regards,

Mrs Eddy
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Christmas Church Services – The Parishes of Phillack with Gwithian, Gwinear, St Erth and Hayle – St Elwys

Please see posters below detailing the Church services on offer during the Christmas period. Please note that the Christmas Day service at Gwinear has been changed to 10:30am.

Celebrate this wonderful season
ACROSS THE GODREUY TEAM
**CALM and BRIGHT
Christmas
Services**

Sunday 8 December
St Erth Church - 10am Christingle
Phillack Church - 4pm Bereavement Service

Sunday 15 December
Gwithian Church - 11am Christingle
Gwinear Church - 4.30pm Carol Service
St Elwyn's Church - 4pm Nine Lessons and Carols
St Erth Church - 6pm Nine Lessons and Carols

Friday 20 December
St Elwyn's Church (Christians Together in Hayle) - 7pm Carol Service

Sunday 22 December
Phillack Church - 4pm Christingle

Tuesday 24 December - Christmas Eve
St Elwyn's Church - 4pm Nativity
Gwinear Church - 9.30pm Candlelight Holy Communion
Phillack Church - 9.30pm Candlelight Holy Communion
St Erth Church - 11.30pm Midnight Communion
St Elwyn's Church - 11.30pm Midnight Mass

Wednesday 25 December - Christmas Day
St Erth Church - 9.30am Holy Communion
Gwinear Church - 10am Holy Communion
Gwithian Church - 11am Holy Communion

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St Elwyn's Church
Invites you to our...
Dress up as your favourite nativity character!

**Christmas
Eve
Nativity
Service**

24th December 2024
St Elwyn's Church, Hayle
3.30pm Doors Open
4pm Start

We invite you to come and join in as we tell the nativity story and sing well-known carols together.
A service for one and all - whatever your age!

Celebrate this wonderful season
JOIN THE GODREUY TEAM
**Follow The Star
Family & Christingle
Services**

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