

Friday 12th May 2023

Dear parents/carers,

I hope that you and your families are safe and well.

Year 4 – Camp Kernow Residential



On Thursday 4th May and Friday 5th May, 23 children from Year 4 went to Camp Kernow for a one night residential. We learned about living off-grid with no connection to mains electricity or water.

On Thursday, as well as completing tasks around the site, the class enjoyed archery, climbing and going for a night walk in the woods.



After camping for the night and enjoying

pancakes for breakfast, the

children packed up their belongings and headed into the woods to build shelters. The shelters needed to withstand wind and rain

and we enjoyed testing them with each team inside! After dismantling the shelters, we hiked to the park and enjoyed a picnic lunch before returning to school.

The staff at Camp Kernow commented on the children being 'a great group' and called them 'a lovely class'. We are so proud of the super job the children have all done in representing Connor Downs Academy and the resilience, bravery and independence shown during our residential. Well done everyone!



We would also like to thank Miss. Abel, Mrs. Walker and Mr. Costello for helping make this trip possible along with support from Mr. Stephens and Mr. Wheatley.



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Year 3 – PE

This week in PE, Year 3 have been using their problem-solving skills to work in collaboration with others and to help identify their responsibilities.



GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™ TITLE?

The 2023 TCS Mini London Marathon is a challenge for you to run, jog, walk or wheel one mile in your school between Monday 17 April and Friday 12 May

Connor Downs Academy made and fulfilled their pledge to walk a mile as part of a Guinness World Records attempt to achieve the 'most pledges for an exercise campaign in one month'. The children walked with their classmates around the perimeter of the school in the beautiful sunshine. If the campaign has been successful, the school will receive a certificate.

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Year 6 SATs

This week, our Year 6 children took their end of Key Stage 2 SATs. The children worked incredibly hard and showed great determination and resilience throughout the week. Well done to each and every one of you – we are so proud of you. Thank you too, to the Year 6 parents/carers for your support during this week, and to the children in all other year groups who behaved so respectfully in support our Year 6 pupils.

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Attendance

<u>Attendance</u> Our school target for attendance is 97%		
1 st Place	Year 6	100.0 %
2 nd Place	Year 1	99.5 %
3 rd Place	Year R	97.6 %

Shine Celebrations

Please see below our Shining Stars for this week.

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*We are delighted to be able to invite the parents/carers of the winners below to join us at our final Shine assembly of the spring term, on **Friday 19th May 2023** to see their child receive their certificate.*

*Please come along to the main reception **no earlier than 2:35pm**. A special well done to:*

Year R – Eden

For producing a detailed sentence in phonics using key words and her phase 3 sounds. Well done, Eden!

Year 1 – Connie

For being a kind, caring and helpful member of our class. Connie always gives 100% in all her learning and this is reflected in the amazing progress she is making in Year 1. Well done, Connie!

Year 2 – Tommy

For the joy and enthusiasm you bring to every lesson. You are making amazing progress in Year 2. Well done, Tommy!

Year 3 – Tegen

For being a great role model in class. She always works hard and is keen to offer help to her friends in Year 3. Well done, Tegen!

Year 4 – Alfie

For his amazing behaviour during our residential trip to Camp Kernow - especially for helping out in the kitchen on Friday morning. Well done, Alfie!

Year 5 – Maci

For her effort and improvement with her ICT skills when drafting stories and creating vector drawings. Well done, Maci!

Year 6 – Year 6 Cohort

For facing their SATs with a positive, determined attitude. Well done to every member of Year 6!

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Writer – Elsie R (Year 2)

For writing a clear, well punctuated account of our coronation celebration and making excellent progress with her handwriting. Well done, Elsie!

EYFS/KS1 Reader – Dylan S (Year 1)

For his improved accuracy and great application of his phonics skills when reading. Dylan is making great progress and it is a joy to watch his love of reading. Well done, Dylan!

KS2 Reader – Ella But (Year 5)

For her care and attention to detail when responding to our reading comprehension questions. Well done, Ella!

Mathematician – Lola (Year 4)

For working hard in Maths lessons and showing great understanding in our new money topic. Well done, Lola!

Rock Star – Linkcon (Year 3)

For super effort and work on TT Rock stars. Linkcon's efforts are showing in his times tables achievements. Well done, Linkcon!

Performer – Navarre (Year 6)

For speaking so confidently and passionately about our school to all visitors. Well done, Navarre!

Character – Noah B (Year R)

For being a kind and considerate member of our school. Noah has been a really great friend to one of his classmates this week. Well done, Noah!

Kind Regards,



Mrs Eddy
Head of School