

Joshua class kicked-off their World Book Day celebrations early, with a visit from author and illustrator Anna Lewis aka Sketchy Muma.

Anna showed Joshua Class some of her books and then they worked as a team to design two dragons for the classroom.

The children used all sorts of medium to decorate and attach to the dragons. The end product was a rainbow dragon and an under the sea dragon.

Great work Joshua class!



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To celebrate the day itself, the children (and teaching staff) came to the academy dressed as their favourite book characters. A fantastic effort was made by all with some amazing costumes – great work parents!



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It has been two weeks of celebration of Cornwall's national day. The children have been flag making and had visitors and workshops in Cornish dancing and singing.

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We were lucky enough to have a visit from "Oll An Gwella - the acappella chorus drawn from Newquay male voice choir" as part of our history unit - St Piran's Day. They sang to and with us a variety of Cornish songs and sea shanties. Tamar class even sang some songs to them too.

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The celebrations all culminate in this afternoon's St Piran's Day parade. We'd love to have as many pupils as we can in the parade. For us to take part, we can only escort children who are supervised by a named, responsible adult for the entire event. Full responsibility of the child's safety lies with that adult throughout the parade. Other family members are very welcome to join us.

The St Piran's Day parade will leave the Victoria Hotel, Newquay at 4pm to walk through the town to the Central Inn with pipes, drums, musicians, and St Piran's banners.

Ms Wilson and Miss Cowell will be there to represent Newquay Primary Academy – and they are asking parents and pupils that want to take part to meet them at 3.50pm outside the Victoria Hotel, Newquay.

COMING UP IN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

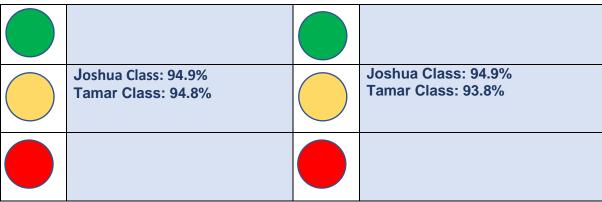
Tying in with their topic of dragons, knights and castles, Joshua class will be storming Pendennis Castle on 9th
March





As part of their African Savana topic, Miss Cowell has organised an educational visit to Newquay Zoo on Monday 6th March.

Attendance for Newquay Primary Academy



Week of 20th February 2023

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Week of 27th February 2023

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The academy works closely with the Education Welfare Officer to support families who have low attendance figures. When a child's attendance drops below 90% it is identified as 'persistence absence' and the EWO will contact the family to offer support. Please ensure that your child is in school on time. Arrivals after 8.50am are marked as late in the register. Please contact the academy office if any support is required – we are here to help.

If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £60 if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may result in legal action. Absence not authorised by the school may result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court.

## **Author visit: Naomi Jones**

We are delighted to announce that we have secured for Naomi Jones to attend Newquay Primary Academy on Monday 20th March.

Naomi Jones is a children's author who lives in Cornwall with her illustrator husband James Jones and their two boys. After working in publishing, she fulfilled her dream of becoming an author and has since created five children's books which cover themes of friendship, our environment, and creativity.

Naomi will be running a half day workshop with the pupils – speaking with our pupils about her journey into becoming an author, giving the children tips in writing their own stories and reading some of her stories.

Excitingly, we are also able to offer parents the chance of pre-order some of Naomi's books for your children. A letter with this information, order form and payment information was sent home with your child. If you have not received this letter, please let the academy office know and they can provide you with a copy.

Completed order forms and payment must be received by the academy office by Wednesday 8th March.

## Parent event: Tamar Class's African Adventure

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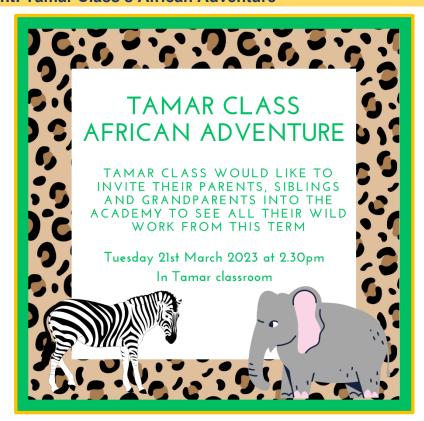
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# Update on the playground



We are really pleased with how the playground is coming along – it's looking great! We can't wait to see all the children playing on it in the summer term.

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Office opening hours

The academy office opening hours are 8.00am until 3.30pm Monday to Thursday and 8.00am until 2.30pm on a Friday. If you need to speak to Hannah or Tracey in the office, please contact between these hours.

Important dates to remember

| Monday 6th March | Trip to Newquay Zoo | Tamar Class | |
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| Wednesday 8th March | School nurse visit: weight | Joshua Class | |
| | and measurement check | | |
| Wednesday 8th March | Interhouse Spring Sports | Joshua & Tamar Class | |
| - | Festival | | |
| Thursday 9th March | Trip to Pendennis Castle | Joshua Class | |
| Friday 10th March | Orchard visit | Joshua Class | |
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| Friday 17 th March | Special Mother's Day | Joshua Class | |
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| | performance | | |
| Monday 20 th March | Author visit: Naomi Jones | Joshua & Tamar Class | |
| Tuesday 21st March | Parent event: African | Parents of Tamar Class | |
| | Adventure | | |
| Wednesday 22 nd March | Cornish dance workshop | Tamar Class | |
| Friday 24 th March | Orchard visit | Joshua Class | |
| Friday 24 th March | Parent consultations (1.15 – | Joshua & Tamar Class | |
| | 3pm) | | |
| Monday 27 th March | Library visit | Tamar Class – more | |
| | | information to follow | |
| Wednesday 29 th March | Parent consultations (3.15 – | Joshua & Tamar Class | |
| _ | 6pm) | | |

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