



# Illogan School Newsletter

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Dear Parents

Thank you all for your continued vigilance regarding the newly identified symptoms of the most recent COVID-19 variant.

***A cough, cold like symptoms, headache, and a feeling of just being a bit 'off'.***

It feels sad to be thinking about the tightening of precautions locally when the national conversation is about the lifting of restrictions. We are all very aware of the recent increase in cases within the area and several schools have needed to close bubbles in the last couple of weeks. Our aim is to do all we can to reach the end of term without the need for any closures at Illogan so please could I remind you all to follow our drop off and pick up routine fully – wearing face coverings, following the one- way system and maintaining social distancing.

If you or anyone in your household child presents ANY of these symptoms, either the new variant or existing, please book a **PCR test** and follow the guidance - that is, the household to isolate until the results come back in. Please be reminded, a **PCR test** has to be booked, not a LFT, if you or your child is showing symptoms. LFT are still being targeted for asymptomatic testing.

In school this week our children continue to work hard, with a real determination to do their best. It has been lovely to celebrate with individuals achieving personal targets – particularly in their writing. Within our current Celebrating Cornwall learning theme pupils have been following a design technology unit of work based on food and cooking. The initial stages of this involve tasting a variety of products – something that I know many children (and staff) fully embraced.

Finally, we are currently finalising plans for transition within school and hope to be able to share with you next week the names of your child's teacher for September and the opportunities that you and your child will have to get to know them.

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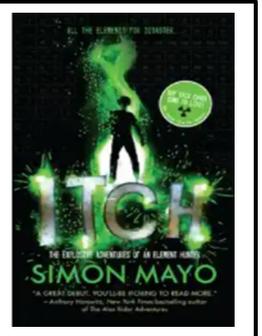
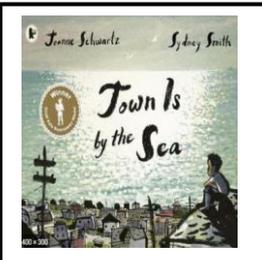
### **Mr Riches Book of the Week**

#### **Town by the Sea – Joanne Schwartz – KS1/Lower KS2**

Stunning illustrations by Sydney Smith, show the striking contrast between a sparkling seaside day and the darkness underground where the miners dig. This beautifully understated and haunting story brings a piece of mining history to life. The ever-present ocean and inevitable pattern of life in a mining town will enthral children and move adult readers, as a young boy wakes up to the sound of the sea, visits his grandfather's grave after lunch and comes home to a cosy dinner with his family, but all the while his mind strays to his father digging for coal deep down under the sea. A beautiful story about a boy who watches his father go to the mines each morning, knowing this too is his future. An interesting link to our current Cornish topic with its link to mining – albeit coal mining.

### **Mrs Durham's Book of the Week – Itch – Simon Mayo**

I absolutely love reading! When I had my two boys, I felt lucky to enjoy reading with them and especially reading books that I had never read as a child such as Roald Dahl. As they grew, their tastes started to change and they began reading a lot of science fiction. The book I have chosen is 'Itch' by the radio DJ Simon Mayo. Itch is a brilliant action adventure jam packed with real science. Itch has to collect the elements from the periodic table some less successfully as others to achieve his goal (there are real people in the world called element hunters that want to collect all of these elements). This is quite a risky challenge especially when he released arsenic vapour in his biology lesson! Itch and his cousin have to keep one-step ahead of his enemies. This is a great story and comes in a series of books and is aimed at readers between 9-11.



Illogan School, throughout the year, distributes fliers and magazines offering family services or posts details of local activities on the newsletter. Whilst we think that parents might like the information and find it useful, the school does not endorse these services.



### Dojo Awards

Last week we gave Dojo certificates to the following children. Well done!

BRONZE – 50 points

SILVER – 100 points

GOLD – 200 points

PLATINUM – 400 points

DIAMOND – 500 points

### Illogan Wondrous Word Competition- update

<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Top Readers</u>	<u>Overall Total</u>
3	Charlie H – 248,775 Isaac P – 169,480 Kyla L – 73,173	612,422
4	Seb KS – 417,012 Karl K – 271,319 Seth JW – 247,684	1,679,593
5	Connie B – 245,520 Rosie C – 216,299 Doug B – 196,124	1,121,500
6	Lowenna – 163,036 Olivia H – 89,194 Aimee W – 56,888	393,629

**PTFA** Our PTA fundraising has taken a big hit this year, so we'd like to end the school year on a high, and we need your help. We are taking part in the Big PTA Summer Raffle 2021, a nationwide PTA spectacular, taking place until 11 July 2021 and draws will take place 12 - 17 July. Purchase tickets and be in with the chance of winning up to £5,000 in each of 12 draws - each £3 ticket will generate a number that will be entered into all 12 draws. Tickets can be purchased here: <https://www.bigptaraffle.co.uk/support/friends-of-illogan-primary-school-tr16>. The PTA are also holding a Jumble Sale at the Mosley Museum this Sunday (4<sup>th</sup> July) from 11am. Please bring in any donations of anything that could be sold to the school on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July.

### Attendance (96% and under – red)

	<u>Attendance last week</u>	<u>Attendance so far this year</u>	<u>Lates last week</u>
EYFS	90%	99.1%	0
Year 1	97.6%	96%	1
Year 2	99%	97.7%	0
Year 3	99.2%	96.8%	5
Year 4	95%	95.6%	0
Year 5	96.4%	90.9%	4
Year 6	91.9%	92.2%	1
Whole School	95.5%	95.3%	11

### Dates for your diary

Weds 7<sup>th</sup> July – KS1 & EYFS Sports Day

Mon 12<sup>th</sup> July – KS2 Sports Day

Weds 21<sup>st</sup> July – last day of term

Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> & Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> July – Inset days

Mon 6<sup>th</sup> & Tues 7<sup>th</sup> September – Inset days

Weds 8<sup>th</sup> September – Return to school

Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Last day of term

Mon 1<sup>st</sup> November – Return to school

Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> December – Last day of term

Fri 17<sup>th</sup> December – Queens Jubilee

### Inset Days for 2022

Tues 4<sup>th</sup> January

Mon 28<sup>th</sup> February (MAT)

Fri 1<sup>st</sup> April

Mon 25<sup>th</sup> & Tues 26<sup>th</sup> July

## DAZZLE AWARDS

Last week staff awarded Dazzle Awards to children who have dazzled them. The awards went to:

### YEAR EYFS

**Freya B**- For working hard to remember to use finger spaces between words.

**Dexter C**- For being a fantastic tiny teacher when telling our story, The Rainbow Fish.

### YEAR 1

**Nico** – For his beautiful handwriting & editing of our class story.

**Joshua** – For retelling & editing our class story with fantastic energy.

### YEAR 3

**Casper S**- For his attitude towards learning & completing his tasks.

**Freddie K** - For his effort to join his letters & to sit them on the line.

### YEAR 2

**Luke** – For dazzling year 2 with his photos & stories of his trip to St Piran's chapel after being inspired by our class learning.

**Charlie H** – For dazzling year 2 with his excellent behaviour & always trying his best with his work.

### YEAR 5

**Talia J**- For believing in her ability to understand & complete our reading assessment last week.

**Isabelle R** – For believing in her ability in all areas of her learning.

### YEAR 4

**Harry** - For great behaviour & helpfulness.

**Tatum** - For perseverance in Maths.

### YEAR 6

**Katie & Pria** –For showing brilliant team working skills during our History lesson. They actively listened to ideas & was able to communicate their suggestions maturely.