

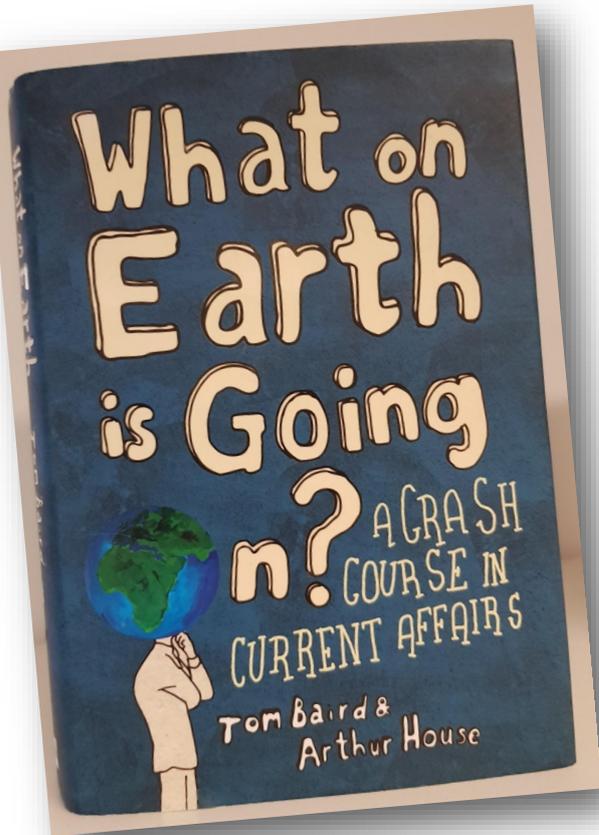
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**E**VERY MOMENT MATTERS!

This week's focus was on **ACHIEVEMENT!**

Over the last few months we have all faced challenges, not least the challenge of trying to understand what on earth is going on! This book was strategically placed in our library area this term and I felt the need to share the cover with you as I am sure you all feel the way we have felt with so many questions about the here and now and the way forward! One thing we can assure you of is that, as a school community, we are always here for you and your children and we urge you to continue to keep in touch and let us know if you need any help in any way. This half term we have focused on Dreams and Goals and discussed the characteristics needed to achieve, such as, perseverance, determination, commitment, teamwork and positive attitude. But the characteristic we have had the privilege to admire most is the resilience we have seen in your children and in you all as parents during this very difficult time. We thank you for your continued support for the most important aspect of any family—your child's safety and happiness. I am sure you will also join me in thanking the staff for their unwavering commitment to ensuring your children continue to make progress with their learning and maintain a positive attitude towards school.



**A SMILE THAT SAYS IT ALL!**

Ever wondered why we love our jobs so much at Perran-ar-Worthal school? This is just one example of why we do the job we do.

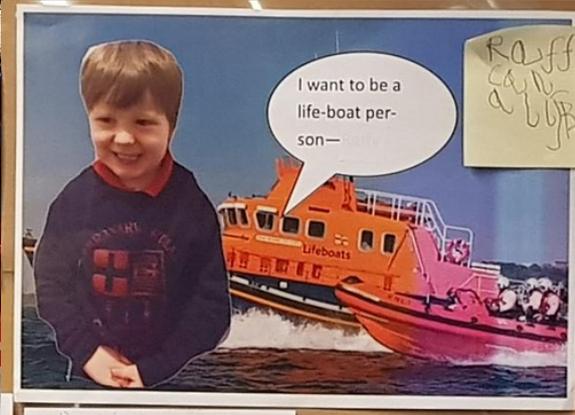




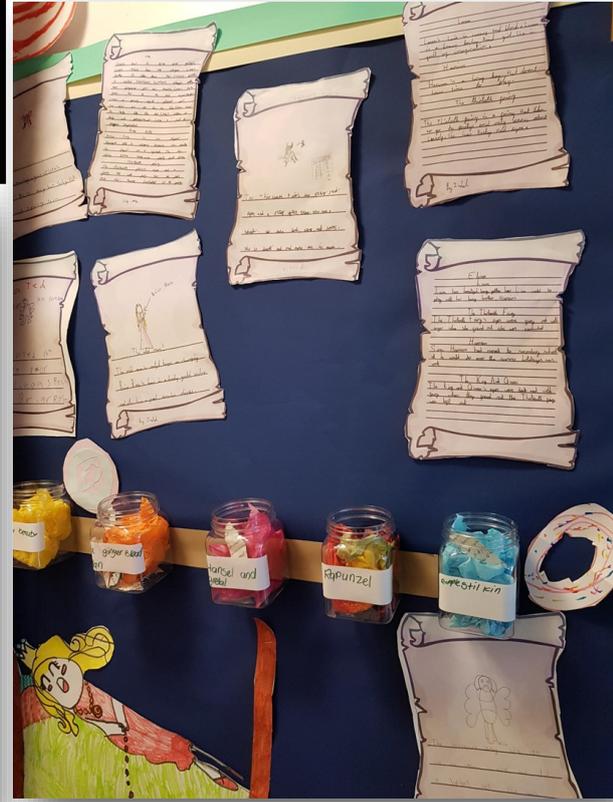
**HELPING EACH OTHER!** There have been times when the social distancing in school has been hard for our staff as well as our pupils where the natural urge to put your arm around a child in need is not possible. Some pupils may also need to be supported emotionally during this time of challenge for us all. In one class, the children have been given the option to 'Take What You Need' from a board with many virtual help stickers. Where we cannot give hugs, the children can take a virtual hug from the help board. Where a child feels a little anxious or needs reminding about how brilliant they are, they can come to the help board to select that virtual pat on the back. The children have found this a great help in their learning and day to day school life. One of our Year 3 pupils below certainly approves!



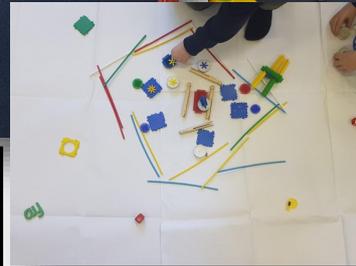
**PEOPLE WHO HELP US!** In some of our classes, the children have been learning about jobs that people do to help us. They have also been sharing their Dreams and Goals about what they would like to be when they grow up.



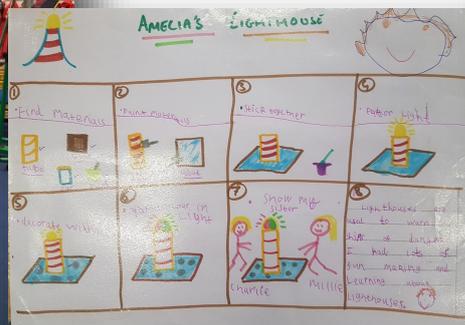
**INSPIRED TO WRITE ABOUT OUR CLASS BOOKS!** With the wonders of modern technology at our fingertips, every child (whether they have been learning in school or at home) has had the opportunity to listen to their teacher read the class book and it has inspired our children to become talented writers themselves!



**COVID SAFE COMMUNAL ART!** Where there is a will there is a way—here are our Year 1 children enjoying the process of creating art on a large scale, with a little help from their friends! An emerging picture that grows from a small starting point to a wonderful complex creation fit for any modern art gallery! What an impressive result!



In Year 1 they have also been creative at home making 3D models as well as 2D artwork—here are just two superb examples of lighthouses and artwork.



**TWO GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS!** Below are pictures showing the result of some amazing fund raising that the pupils have been involved in over the last few months. The new funky library furniture purchased with the funds raised from the Christmas DVD and the Christmas Raffle has now completed our wonderful library making it the most inviting place to spend time enjoying a book. The funds raised for the Seal Sanctuary has also enabled us to adopt a seal named Badger who will now have a better life with the support of Perran-ar-Worthal school. We thank you all for your support with these two great achievements.



**YES IT HAS BEEN COLD!** It wasn't that long ago when these two lovely ladies were on the newsletter sporting their matching Christmas jumpers. Here they are again, rocking the Winter look with their matching attire on a day that was not only cold outside but also inside due to a slight malfunction with the school boiler! All was well by 9.30am when the engineer switched the heating back on and five layers of clothing could be reduced to, well, four layers! With windows and doors open for constant ventilation, extra clothing has been on the uniform list for us all these past few weeks! Looking lovely though ladies!



**SPECIAL HOMEMADE GIFTS THAT HAVE MADE US SMILE!** We thank you for those little things that you do to say thank you—they mean so much!

# SUGAR SMART

The Sugar Smart newsletter is now live! Featuring Better Health New Year, Fizz Free February plus celebrating some of the great work that has been happening around Cornwall over the past few months. Please click on this link to view [https://mailchi.mp/f8c02673fc45/healthynewyear\\_sugarsmartcornwall](https://mailchi.mp/f8c02673fc45/healthynewyear_sugarsmartcornwall)

As we come to the end of another half term when we have spent time so far apart, we look forward to when we can all be together again as a complete community.

## **HOLD ON...**

***A friendly smile is hidden when a mask is in its place -***

***Look at the eyes behind the smile, the eyes of a smiling face.***

***We see our friends on computer screens – so near and yet so far,***

***But soon we will all meet again and fill our happiness jar.***

***The lessons we learn are shared between our teacher and our home,***

***But lessons shared across the air ensures we are not alone.***

***The time we take to join our friends, wherever they may be,***

***Is the time we need to keep in touch with our community.***

***So do not fret that all is lost, we must keep marching on,***

***For soon we can all sit close and celebrate with song.***

***A smile, a nod is all it takes to warm a woeful heart,***

***So hold on to that hug and be ready to share when we no longer stand apart.***



Enjoy your half term everyone! Stay safe and well and we look forward to seeing you all back with us soon.

I think we dream  
so we don't have  
to be apart for so  
long. If we're in  
each other's dreams,  
we can be together  
all the time.

