# OTTERHAM OBSERVER

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**FEB 2018** 

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## Otterham Children Shine at the

#### **Hall for Cornwall**

To say that staff and parents felt proud of the children following their performance on stage would be an understatement. They were fantastic! Miss Forbes spoke very highly of the children throughout the rehearsal weeks and I can vouch for their superb conduct on the actual day. It was a joy to dine with them at the Italian restaurant and watching them on stage brought a tear to my eye. What an amazing experience that will be remembered for ever. As soon as the DVD is released we shall let you know. Thank you so much to Miss Forbes for her dedication to creativity and to all the parents for their support with this project. A special mention must go to Friends Mrs Coles and Mrs Reed for their assistance with costumes—the children looked fab, thank you. Both Miss Forbes and myself were very touched when presented with our lovely cards and flowers. Really no need but THANK YOU.



#### **SPORTS HALL ATHLETICS**



On 23rd January 12 pupils from Class 2 were selected to go to the Sports Hall Athletics qualifier at SJS. The children had a smashing time and showed some real enthusiasm and ability. It was a shame the Class 1 children didn't get to take part but an unsafe floor in the sports hall dictated otherwise. We hope to get a chance to participate at a later date. Thank you parents for your assistance in transporting children. Without your willingness to support, these events would either cost a fortune or not happen at all. Our children deserve to take part in as many opportunities as

we can give them.

#### EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY

We hope that you are always treated fairly and feel able to come into school to discuss issues. We are open to reviewing our equality policies. What does this mean? We aim, in everything we do, to treat all members of our school community fairly in all respects—gender, race, age, sexual orientation, disability and religious belief. If you feel that you are being treated less than fairly it is hoped that you feel able to discuss the matter with any member of staff here at school, or if you would prefer to discuss it with a parent governor, please do so. The parent governors here at school are Rachel Quinn, Sarah Northcott, and Gayle Crocker.

#### **DIARY DATES**

These have been updated on the website and a paper copy is provided. It is a very busy Half Term—please help by returning any relevant paperwork as soon as possible.

Thank you!

## FLYING MONKEY DANCE CLUB

Jemma and Lois who have worked with children at Otterham before will be running their club on a Wednesday after half term. They ran a taster session last week which was thoroughly enjoyed by those who attended. Please complete their booking form and arrange payment directly with them on Wed 21st Feb. Thank you.

#### SAFER INTERNET DAY

A range of activities took place throughout the school,



mainly focussed on keeping ourselves safe online and respecting other people's feelings. Keeping our personal details to ourselves, not communicating with people we don't know and telling an adult if we do ever feel unsafe were important messages of the day.

#### RECENT ACHIEVEMENTS OF OUR CHILDREN

Sophie Sandercock - gained her first rosette for horse riding
Luke Northcott - gained a white TAG on martial arts belt

Sophie Sanders - achieved grade 3 for swimming

Amy Quinn - achieved Angel Fish 2 badge in swimming

Keenan Pooley - gained a white TAG on martial arts belt and is now level 4 in football

Tony Steed - has been learning how to use a knife safely on the farm

Katie Sanders - achieved grade 5 for swimming

Evy Northcott - gained a black TAG on her martial arts belt

Oska Holmes - part of Bude Football Team who have won mid-season league final

Tilly Forbes-Pearce - has learnt how to make fajitas
Sam Coles - team player of the week at Rugby

Sam Coleman - has learnt how to lamb a sheep and is part of the best upgraded band in

SW (Camelford Town Band)

Oscar Adams - learnt how to do a bicycle kick in football



#### **NSPCC NUMBER DAY**

The children at Otterham Primary School had great fun on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February raising awareness for the charity NSPCC. Each class held a maths morning as the theme this year was 'Numbers'. There was a wide variety of maths activities for the children to participate in, as well as a delicious cake sale. The children also came into school wearing number themed clothes. Everyone had great fun and over £120 was raised. Well done Otterham Primary School!

#### .NETBALL TOURNAMENT

On 8th January a small team of pupils from years 4, 5 & 6 went to Sir James Smith's School to compete in the primary cluster Netball tournament. They were lucky enough to get through to the play offs for the North Cornwall games and went back to SJS's on 15th January to play in these qualifiers. Considering that we have not been able to do much Netball this term the children did really well.



#### **BREAKFAST CLUB**

An impressive menu, friends to play with and no issues with car parking are just a few of the reasons why our Breakfast Club is so popular. £1.50 per child, per morning or free if we are in receipt of Pupil Premium. Book online through School Money and drop your child(ren) from 08:00.

### CLASS THREE VISIT EDEN FOR WORKSHOPS AND SKATING

Always a popular day out, the children in Class 3 enjoyed learning about the different features of plants and particularly enjoyed their time on the ice. The children were a delight to spend the day with, embracing all that was on offer and experiencing life



#### **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

The clubs for the second half of the Spring Term are now on our website and you should have received a paper copy to look at. We are always grateful to adults, especially staff who run our clubs after an already long day, as it is this extra provision that can sometimes make a child's day!