

# Newsletter

Friday 11th April 2025





Hello Everyone,

We have reached the end of term two and what a busy week it has been.

## Year 10 Geography Fieldtrip:

In complete contrast to the many wet and windy fieldtrips that Mr Kimber has led in the UK, the sunshine and sandy beaches of Ascension made for a very pleasant change! The Year 10 GCSE geographers headed to Long Beach for a morning gathering data. They used transects up the beach at three sites to create beach profiles, measure the sediment size and investigate longshore drift. The purpose of the study was to explore the impact of sea level rise on this important site for nesting turtles. We even managed to help a couple of stranded turtle hatchlings to find their way to the sea.

The speed of the water travelling north took everyone by surprise, although results may have been compromised by the black fish attacking the oranges that were used as 'floating markers'. The beach profiles were also different to expectations, but there is definitely concern for the turtle nests, as they are not much higher than current sea level and are in danger of being flooded. It was a great morning and the students worked hard to gather their data and the results have thrown up some interesting, if concerning, conclusions. With some hard work over the next month, the students will be well placed to use their fieldtrip experiences and subsequent results in their exams next term, and we hope their hard work is rewarded.







### PTA Easter Egg Delivery:

Thank you to the PTA for purchasing Easter Eggs for all the students. These were given out on Wednesday and Thursday of this week. I am sure the students all enjoyed them.











#### Splash Gala

On Thursday afternoon the Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children took part in their Splash gala at Two Boats pool. The students have been practicing all term and have gotten so much more confident being in the



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water. By all accounts it was a lovely afternoon, showing of their skills to parents! Thank you to Miss Bowers and Mrs O'Dean as well as the other staff members who supported every week and on the day. Thanks are also extended to Tash for being our designated Lifeguard and First Aider and to the parents for showing up to support the students.























#### Swim Gala

To end the term Year 3 to 11 took part in our annual Swim Gala at the Travellers Hill pool. Again this was a fantastic morning with all students giving it their all to race for their houses. Numbers were very uneven this year but this didn't deter the students they made sure they had representation at every race. Team spirit was alive and well all through the morning. Again thank you to Mr Duncan and Mrs O'Dean for coordinating and organising the event, as well as all those who helped and supported us before and on the day as well as all the parents who showed up to cheer the houses on. Your support to the school and our students is greatly appreciated.

Well done to all students taking part and huge Congratulations to CRONKS the winning team!











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By the time you read this we will all be on a much needed Easter break, so all that is left for me to do is to wish you all a very Happy Easter!

See you in Term 3.

Tania Maggott Head Teacher