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Believe, Work Hard, Succeed

Portreath Primary School Newsletter

This week we started our whole school grateful jar - where children can write what they are grateful for on a note and pop it in the jar. I have suggested to the children that they could set up a jar at home. Taking time to reflect on the things we are grateful for each day is so important in helping our mental health. We are celebrating World Mental Health Day on Monday by wearing t-shirts that makes us happy (with PE kit for skipping day). Please can children bring in a cash donation for 'Young Minds'. There is a grateful scavenger hunt later in the newsletter. We also explored the concept of empathy in assemblies. I read a story and asked them to imagine how the main character felt at various points - I explained that if they were able to imagine how he felt they were displaying empathy. This is something we need to do for everyone - imagine how they might be feeling. Empathy is a key life skill and one of our school values.

Maple Class were excited about their first trip this year. They went to Base Camp and Rowan are heading there next week too. Thanks to Gwel-an-Mor for providing this free of charge to the school.

I am excited to announce that the PTA will be running a Halloween disco on 31st October 4.30-6.30pm in conjunction with the popular new Portreath tradition of the Spooky Tram (thanks to Jo!) Details to follow. The PTA will also be selling ice lollies after Open Class on Wednesday.

Please read the important letter sent out with the newsletter this week as there are lots of updates including how to book parent consultations.
Cassie Pamplin

Stars of the Week

Maple Class: Paige - For trying so hard with her behaviour.

Rowan Class: Joel - For showing infectious enthusiasm towards his learning.

Sycamore: Rosie - For being a responsible learner.

Oak Class: Harry - For always being ready to learn.

Cherry Class: Sophie - For being a happy and resilient worker.



Thought of the Week

Learning to stand in somebody else's shoes, to see through their eyes, that's how peace begins. And it's up to you to make that happen. Empathy is a quality of character that can change the world.

— Barack Obama —

This Week's Highest Scoring Team is:

100 Acre Wood

Value Champions



This week's value champions are:

Maple Class: Skye

Rowan Class: Immy

Sycamore Class: India

Oak Class: Taylor-May

Cherry Class: Alexi



This Week's Attendance

Maple Class - 96.2%

Rowan Class - 96.6%

Sycamore Class - 94.8%

Oak Class - 97.2%

Cherry Class - 98.0%

Whole School attendance for the year is currently at: 96.6%

Sports Star

This week's Sports Stars are: George, Zara, Skye and Lochie



Safeguarding

It is essential that parents and carers make us aware of any of their child's medical conditions, including asthma and allergies. We then complete relevant paperwork. It is also important to keep us up to date with any changes. Thanks



Harvest

The week commencing 17th October we will be celebrating Harvest - please bring in food donations for the food bank.



Star Writers

This week's star writers are:

Maple Class: Harry

Rowan Class: Paige

Sycamore Class: Bethany

Oak Class: Evie

Cherry Class: Sophia

Each week some children's writing will be selected to be displayed outside my office.



Reminders

Open Class Weds 12th Oct 2.45pm

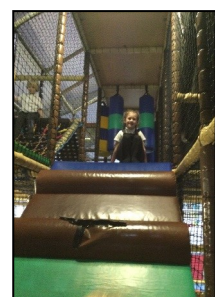
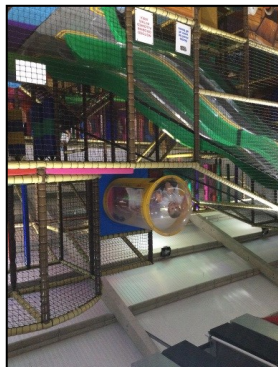
Book a parent consultation

Ensure that school has a named, in date inhaler in school, if your child is asthmatic

Please ensure all your child's uniform is named

Maple Class

This week we have been working hard on our phonics and learning everything about the number 5. We ended the week by walking up to Base Camp at Gwel-an-Mor and had a fabulous time in their soft play area.



Rowan Class

Rowan have been super busy this week. We are all making so much progress in our reading and have enjoyed choosing one of our year group books to take home and share. We have enjoyed learning all about the different body parts and their functions. We LOVED our walk to Illogan woods and can't wait to add to our sketches next week.



Sycamore Class

Sycamore have been continuing to enjoy their Dragon topic. We are enjoying listening to our class novel, 'The Boy Who Grew Dragons', and created some dragon eye art inspired by Flicker the Dragon's twinkly eyes.



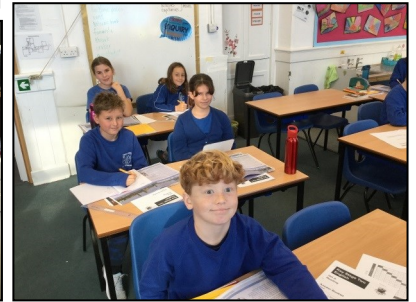
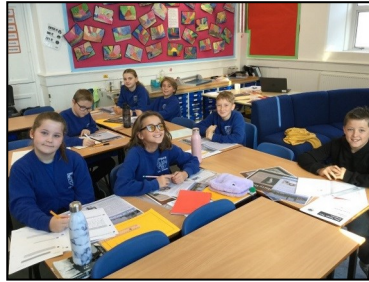
Oak Class

Oak Class have had a brilliant week! We have been getting creative in English and writing a setting description for inside the Giant Peach (the Roald Dahl kind). We have also been writing a diary, as if we were a Roman child – having done thorough research from brilliant websites!



Cherry Class

This week we have been writing advice for some well known cartoon characters explaining the benefits of exercise and healthy eating. We have also enjoyed looking at the art work of Ukrainian artist Viktoria Karavchenko and started to experiment with painting in her style.



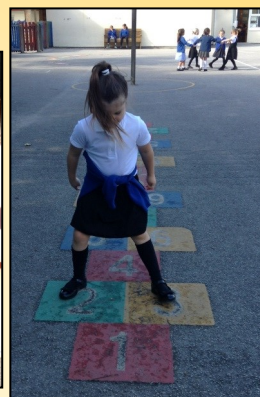
Year 6 Sports Leaders

Maple Class had this week's PE lesson delivered by our trainee Year 6 Leaders. They did an amazing job keeping the children engaged and on task. Big well done to all of them!



Lunchtime

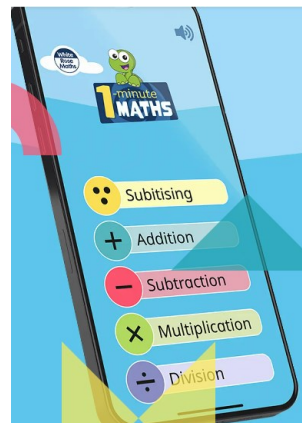
The children have enjoyed lots of activities at lunchtime. Next week the craze of the week will be skipping.



WhiteRose Maths App

We would recommend all families to download this app on any devices at home. It is a quick and easy way to build up fluency so your child know these key number facts off by heart rather than needing to work them out. If they know facts off by heart it frees up the brain to focus on the harder calculations and problem solving. Designed for use both in class and at home, the 1 -minute maths app helps children build greater number confidence and fluency. It's all about targeted practice in engaging, one-minute chunks!

<https://whiterosemaths.com/1-minute-maths>



Playing board games with 2 or more dice is great for getting to know number facts by heart too!

Gratitude Scavenger Hunt



1. Find something that makes you happy.
2. Something to give someone else to make them smile.
3. Find one thing that you love to smell.
4. Find one thing you enjoy looking at.
5. Find something that's your favorite color.
6. Find something you are thankful for in nature.
7. Find something that you can use to make a gift for someone.
8. Find something that is useful for you.



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Clubs

Please book clubs and afterschool wraparound using the following link:

[Portreath After School Wraparound and Clubs Booking form Autumn Term 1 \(google.com\)](#)

Monday	Dance - Mrs Doble	Art and Craft - Miss Cafe
Tuesday	Multi-sports - Miss Cafe	Lego - Mrs Barnes
Wednesday	Drama - Mrs Rosser	
Thursday	Computer club - Mrs Rosser	Outdoor games club - Mrs Barnes
Friday	Chess, cards and board games club - Mrs Kerlake	

PE Days

Monday - Rowan
 Tuesday - Sycamore
 Thursday - Cherry
 Thursday - Maple
 Friday - Oak
 Outdoor learning is on Fridays for Rowan

Key Dates

Monday 10th October
 Skipping workshop and wear a t-shirt that makes you happy
Wednesday 12th October
 Open Classroom - 2.45pm to 3.15pm
Friday 14th October
 Cherry Class Assembly - 2.45pm to 3.15pm
w/b Monday 17th October - Parent Consultations
w/b Monday 24th October - Half Term

Key Dates

2022-23 Inset days:
School inset days:
 3rd January 2023
 4th January 2023
 5th June 2023
Crofty MAT inset day
 20th February 2023

Week beginning: Monday 10th October 2022 ~ Lunch Menu Week 2

Community News

Portreath PTA

A new Facebook group for any parents/grandparents who would like to know more about helping with fundraising this year (you don't need to join the committee to help - but people are always welcome to 😊)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/822158632244314>

Or they can email Stacey at portreathschoolpta@gmail.com



Supreme Star Majorettes Troupe



Redruth & Surrounding Areas



Age Range
3yrs – 21 yrs

For further information look us up on social media or simply [Google!](#) us
We would love for you to get in touch and come and join us 😊



National Trust

Please click on the link to find out about how to get a free visit to a National Trust site.

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/features/escape-into-autumn>



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