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Believe, Work Hard, Succeed

Portreath Primary School Newsletter

Today in assembly we reflected on the sad news of Queen Elizabeth II's death. We spoke about it being a time of sadness, but also a time to celebrate her life. We thought about how she had dedicated her life to serving the country. We spoke about how, like her, we could think about how we can help others and sometimes put others before ourselves. I explained that school would continue as normal during this time of national mourning. We then had a minute's silence to reflect.

The children and staff have been amazing this week! Our Reception children have been stars! Mrs Forsdick, Miss Cafe and Mrs Harris have done an excellent job of teaching them the routines and expectations. They even came along to the whole school assembly on the first day and listened so well - I was very impressed. They have had lots of fun playing together and I am sure that they are ready for a restful weekend! It has been wonderful welcoming our new TAs: Miss Vernon, Mrs Jose, Mrs Barnes and Mrs Rosser. They have all done a brilliant job and already feel very much part of the team.

This week, I introduced the children to our core values: kindness, honesty, inclusion, empathy and gratitude. This is something we will be exploring more over the next few weeks. There is more information about this later in the letter.

Cassie Pamplin

Stars of the Week

Maple Class: Bodhi - For being a smiley happy resilient learner.

Rowan Class: Esme - For her hardworking and positive attitude towards her learning in maths.

Sycamore Class: Kade - For showing confidence and giving everything his best.

Oak Class: Charlie - For showing resilience and maturity.

Cherry Class: Martha - For showing excellent maturity and resilience at the start of Year 6.



Thought of the Week



"IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN EASY TO HATE AND DESTROY. TO BUILD AND TO CHERISH IS MUCH MORE DIFFICULT."

Queen Elizabeth II



Value Champions

This week's value champions are:

Maple Class: Tilly

Rowan Class: Arlia

Sycamore Class: Harry

Oak Class: Sophia

Cherry Class: Matthew



This Week's Attendance

Maple Class - 99.3%

Rowan Class - 97.2%

Sycamore Class - 100%

Oak Class - 99.5%

Cherry Class - 99.0%

Whole School attendance for the year is currently at: 99.0%

Sports Star

This week's Sports Stars are:

Is, Evie, Harry, Jowan and Sam



Safeguarding

Please can everyone take great care when driving near the school and parking. Please do not park on the double yellow lines, as this can be very dangerous for the children. Please park near by and then walk to school. Portreath Arms kindly let us use their car park.



New Staff

We are very excited to welcome our new staff:

Miss Hayley Vernon



Mrs Megan Rosser



Mrs Abby Barnes



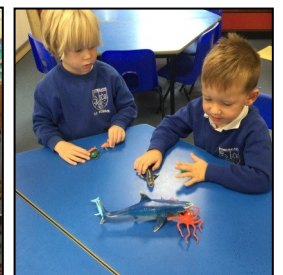
and Mrs Sarah Jose



They have all been teaching assistants at other schools and bring a wealth of experience. They all said that they have really enjoyed their first week and how wonderful the children are here at Portreath.

Maple Class

Maple Class have spent the week getting to know each other and learning new routines. They have all done really well although are showing signs of being tired!



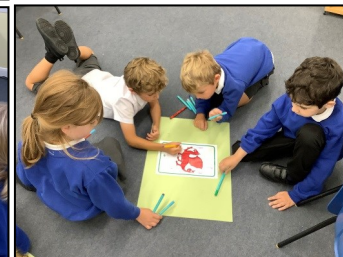
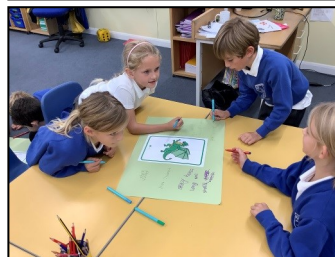
Rowan Class

Rowan have been busy getting used to the new routines. We have enjoyed learning about Autumn and creating our own leaf pictures. We even turned the classroom into a gallery and all thought of 1 positive comment about a piece of artwork we liked. We started our science topic and have begun learning about the different types of animals and even discovered a toad in our outdoor area!! We have started to take an interest in the daily weather and making a record of it on charts. We finished the week with a yoga session, with a focus on relaxing.



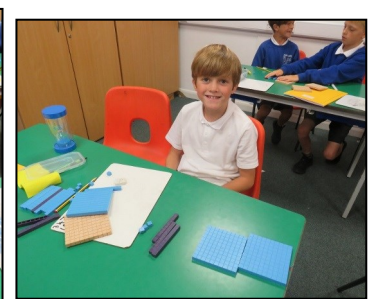
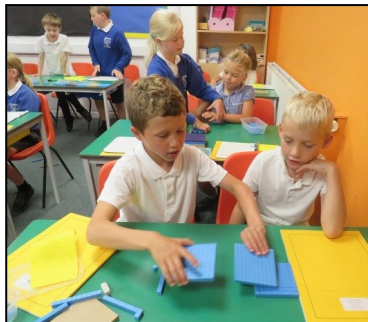
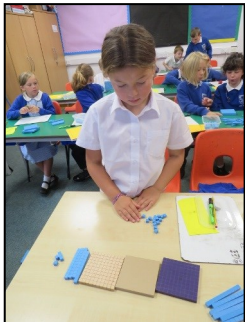
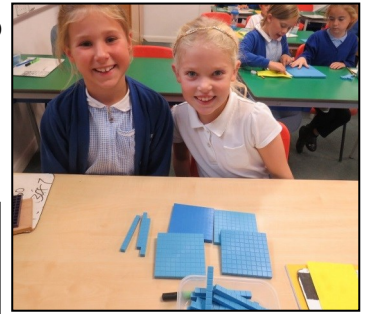
Sycamore Class

Sycamore Class have had a great week settling back into school. We have been spending lots of time getting to know each other and the routines of the classroom. We have also loved getting started on our Dragons topic!



Oak Class

Oak Class have had a brilliant week; getting to know each other, getting to know the classroom and getting back into school life. I am so proud of how well they have settled and am really looking forward to the year ahead.



Cherry Class

Cherry Class have had a great week bonding as a class, getting to know the routines of the classroom and diving into their learning whole-heartily.



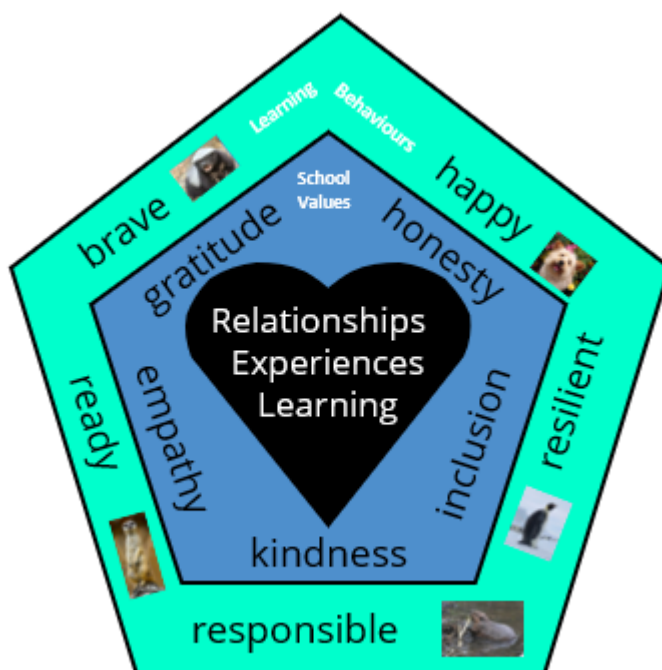
Values

Over the last year the staff have been discussing things such as what do we want our children to achieve, how do we want them to feel, what drives our curriculum and what is our school all about. As part of this, we chose 5 core values that we want to promote. This week, I introduced the children to them: kindness, honesty, inclusion, empathy and gratitude.

Instead of the kindness hearts we will be giving out 'Value Champion Stars' to children who have displayed one of the values in particular that week. The assemblies over the next few weeks will focus on these different values.

We have created an image using these core values along with the 5 learning behaviours. At the centre are the things that we feel are at the heart of the school: relationships, experiences and learning.

It would be wonderful if you could talk about these values at home too.



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 and Maple
 Friday - Oak

Outdoor learning is on
 Fridays for Rowan

Key Dates

Friday 16th September
 Swimming starts for Oak and Cherry class
(continues for 4 consecutive week)

Tuesday 20th September
 Individual School Photos
w/b Monday 26th September
 Scholastic Book Fair

Monday 10th October
 Skipping workshop
Wednesday 12th October
 Open classroom - 2.50pm to 3.20pm
w/b Monday 24th October
 Half Term

Key Dates

2022-23 Inset days:

School inset days:
 3rd October 2022
 3rd January 2023
 4th January 2023
 5th June 2023

Crofty MAT inset day
 20th February 2023

Full term dates for 2022-23 have been added to the school website.