

NEWSLETTER

What a week! A week full of joy, excitement and improvisation! When we received the phonecall at 8.30am to say 'Sleeping Beauty' at Princess Pavilions was cancelled, due to cast illness, I was devastated. The children were so looking forward to it. However, as a staff we sprung into action. The children had a cinema experience in the hall with popcorn and hot chocolate, provided by the wonderful and quick-thinking Robin and Vicky. Meanwhile, we downloaded a script and gathered a group of budding actresses. After an hour of rehearsal, and a quick gathering of props and costumes, we were ready to perform our own version of 'Sleeping Beauty'! The children loved it! One child stating "It's the best show I've ever seen!" I think it wasn't the best because of the acting but because it was full of love. The staff came together to give something to the children, they wanted to bring them joy so that they remembered the day with happiness, not disappointment. It made me so proud of the staff, everyone contributed and made it work. A group of staff took charge of looking after the children so the others could rehearse and take to the stage! What a team!

I was so proud of lower school performing their nativity this week and to upper school performing at their carol concert. Listening to children sing brings me so much joy and gets everyone into the Christmas spirit. The children have also loved their amazing Christmas lunch thanks to Dawn and Lisa. The children had fun at their parties. We held the final of Portreath's Got Talent this morning. Congratulations to the talented Martha who won. She sang with such emotion and the song meant so much to her. The runners-up were: Dane and Alfie, Indya and Will. Thanks to Mrs Doble for her guest appearance- we loved her tap dancing! Merry Christmas! Have a great holiday!

Cassie Pamplin



STARS OF THE WEEK

Maple Class: Madison- For super singing in the nativity. Rowan Class: Phoebe - For always trying her best. Sycamore Class: Tommy - For showing resilience. Oak Class: Oliver - For always showing resilience in all he does. Cherry Class: Lewis - For a very focused term of work.

VALUE CHAMPIONS



Maple Class: Paige Rowan Class: Soren Sycamore Class: Sisi Oak Class: Lowen Cherry Class: Hugo



SPORTS STARS

This week's Sports Stars is: Corin

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Safeguarding

Over the Christmas holidays staff will not be replying to emails or Dojo messages and they will only be checked periodically. If you have any safeguarding concerns please contact MARU direct on 03001231116 and speak with a social worker.

I thought the following phone numbers and organisations might be of use, should you suspect a child is at risk of any form of harm, or if indeed you need any support yourself. These organisations are specifically set up to help families and anonymity is always respected.

Family information services:

https://www.supportincornwall.org.uk/kb5/cornwall /directory/family.page?familychannel=0 This service provides a whole host of useful local links such as childcare, financial advice and leisure

facilities. The Early Help Hub - 01872 322277: This service covers pretty much everything from parental support to mental health issues. Usually a good 'first point of call' to make.

MARU (Multi agency referral unit) 0300 1231 116: This service is more specific to child safety. If you suspect a child is being subject to or has the potential to any harm then call these people. They offer and provide a very reassuring service and will usually involve other agencies (Police, Schools, Social Services) where necessary.

911 or 999: It might sound obvious, but if you know or suspect a child is in danger – do not hesitate to call the police.

National Domestic Violence Helpline: 0800 2000 247

We will be 'back on duty' fromJanuary 5th 2023 and will of course be on hand to help you with any safeguarding concerns that may have arisen. But I urge you to use the above information if you are in any doubt over the Christmas holidays.

Children can also call Childline:



THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

To succeed, planning alone is insufficient. One must improvise as well.

THIS WEEK'S HIGHEST SCORING TEAM IS: FORBIDDEN FOREST

Mystery Teapot!

A few weeks ago a local charity shop contacted us as they had been given a teapot that had been presented by Portreath School in 1905! It was presented to N Selwood - we are on a mission to find out more. It is currently on display in our Cabinet of Curiosity.



Attendance

This week's attendance is as follows: Maple Class - 90.9%

Rowan Class - 92.5%

Sycamore Class - 87.1% Oak Class - 87.1% Cherry Class - 89.1% Whole school attendance for the year is currently is : 94.7%



Maple Class











This week we have been busy with Christmas! Born in a Barn, parties, pantos and everything Christmas!

Rowan Class



Sycamore Class

This week we have enjoyed performing in front of the school and our families in our Nativity Show. We have been busy making Christmas decorations and cards and hope you love them! We danced and laughed at our class Christmas Party. Merry Christmas ©

















This week we have been feeling festive! We loved finally getting to show off our performance of Born in a Barn to our grown ups from home. We have also been busy Sycamore elves making Christmas cards for our families and thoroughly enjoyed our Christmas party day on Thursday.



Oak Class











What a magically Christmas week we have had! Oak and Cherry were fantastic in their Christmas carol concert, lots of Christmas themed activities, a Christmas party and snuggly film. We hope you all have a very Merry Christmas



Cherry Class



It's been a Christmas all the way this week in Cherry Class with cards, plays, carol services and parties! On Tuesday we walked up through the woods to Illogan Church to rehearse for the upper school carol concert. Year 6s have enjoyed spending some time with their buddies this week whilst the year 5s have enjoyed being with their Y5 friends from Oak class.



Portreath's Got Talent

Congratulations to all the Portreath's Got Talent finalists! Congratualtions to our Winner, Martha, who sang 'Never Enough' and to our runners up: Alfie and Dane on electric guitars, Will on guitar and Indya the Incredible gymnast!









PE NEWS

<u>Skipping</u>

Following on from the skipping workshop back in October, the children have been practising a number of different skills ready for National Skipping Day in March. To celebrate 25 years of skipping workshops they have rewarded medals to all the children who submitted scores of 25 or over in 6 different categories. We received a total of 19 medals. Well done Portreath - keep skipping!



<u>Moki Challenge</u>

Today we announced the winner of the Football World Cup Moki Challenge. Well done Sam!

Crofty Football Art Competition

Over 30 entries were sent in, just from Portreath School. Huge congratulations to Reina who was Portreath's winner.

<u>Sports Leaders</u>

Over the Autumn's term all the Year 6 pupils have undertaken their RealPE leaders training. We are pleased to announce they have now completed their award and all of them received their Leader badge this week. Looking forward to working with them all in the New Year!

Good Sports

Well done to the good sports (sorry terrible link!) for putting on 'Sleeping Beauty'.





AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Please note the new link for clubs after half term:

Spring 1 2023 Portreath After School Wraparound and Clubs Booking form (google.com)

| Monday | Gymnastics - Mrs Doble | Team Challenges - Mrs Barnes |
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| Tuesday | Multi-sports - Miss Cafe | Sewing - Mrs Barnes |
| Wednesday | Science - Mrs Rosser | |
| Thursday | Computers/ICT - Mrs Rosser | Recycled Crafts - Mrs Barnes |
| Friday | Wraparound-Mrs Barnes | |

Generator Heading to Ukraine

PE Days

Monday - Rowan Tuesday - Sycamore Thursday - Cherry Thursday - Maple Friday - Oak

Outdoor learning for Sycamore will be on Fridays until Feb Half Term.

Back to School Thurs 5th Jan 2022-23 INSET DAYS School inset days: 3rd January 2023 4th January 2023 5th June 2023

day: 20th February 2023 Jeff and Terry, our neighbours, have purchased a generator to send to a school in the Ukraine. They brought it into school for the children to see. The children have drawn pictures and we have created a book about our school to accompany the generator. We are going to track its journey.



Nativity and Carol Concert













COMMUNITY NEWS





Activities available for children aged 5 - 16 +
Free places for ALL children eligible for benefits related free school meals +



ALL instructors are highly qualified, insured national and international medalists It is FUN; Learn new SKILLS; MAKE NEW FRIENDS Do a CONTACT SPORT SAFELY

TO BOOK YOUR PLACE contact us through Facebook messenger

WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING YOU

Portreath Primary School, throughout the year, distributes fliers and magazines offering family services or posts details of local activities on the newsletter. Whilst we think that parents might like the information and find it useful, the school does not endorse these services.