



NEWSLETTER

I loved watching the dress rehearsal for lower school's nativity, 'Born in a Barn'. Families are in for a treat next week! They all looked fabulous in their costumes - thank-you to the parents. The singing, dancing and acting was wonderful. I am looking forward to upper school's concert on Tuesday evening at Illogan church- an evening filled with traditional carols.

Thank-you to all the parents and grandparents who attended 'Open Class' this week. The children always love to share their learning.

Congratulations to our gymnasts who were the overall winners at the Crofty Gymnastic Competition 2022. We won a total of 14 medals, 12 of which were gold! Thanks to Mrs Doble and Katie who took the children.

This week we had our RWI consultant, Clare, in to work with us. She was impressed with how well the school has adopted the use of the full RWI programme this term. She was full of praise for how focused the children were and how hard they are working. The children are making great progress with their reading. A huge well done to Mrs Forsdick who is leading RWI. A big thank-you to all those parents who are supporting their child so well at home by listening to them read. Don't forget one of the best ways you can help your child with their reading, writing and vocabulary is to read to them too. It also helps them to develop qualities such as empathy. Nothing beats sharing a great book and they never get too old to do this! Cassie Pamplin

STARS OF THE WEEK

Maple Class: Lochie - For being absolutely amazing during a RWI session.

Rowan Class: Arlia- For amazing progress in maths.

Sycamore Class: Barnaby- For approaching everything he does with enthusiasm and a smile.

Oak Class: Harry - For his positive attitude towards learning and grappling with tricky concepts.

Cherry Class: Dane - For being an absolute star sorting out all the moki watches all week.



SPORTS STARS

This week's Sports Stars are:
Gymnastics Team



STAR WRITERS

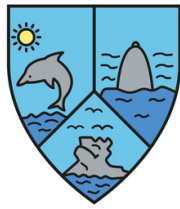
Maple Class: Tora
Rowan Class: Joel
Sycamore Class: Izzy
Oak Class: Elsie
Cherry Class: Liam



VALUE CHAMPIONS

Maple Class: Hugo
Rowan Class: Evie
Sycamore Class: Isla Grace
Oak Class: Kenzie
Cherry Class: Dayna





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Safeguarding An update ref Strep A:

Signs and symptoms of scarlet fever

Scarlet fever is a common childhood infection caused by *Streptococcus pyogenes*, or group A Streptococcus (GAS). It is not usually serious but should be treated with antibiotics to reduce the risk of complications (such as pneumonia) and spread to others. The early symptoms of scarlet fever include sore throat, headache, fever, nausea and vomiting. After 12 to 48 hours, the characteristic red, pinhead rash develops, typically first appearing on the chest and stomach, then rapidly spreading to other parts of the body, and giving the skin a sandpaper-like texture. The scarlet rash may be harder to spot on darker skin, although the 'sandpaper' feel should be present. Patients typically have flushed cheeks and be pale around the mouth. This may be accompanied by a bright red 'strawberry' tongue.

If you think you, or your child, might have scarlet fever:

- contact your GP or NHS 111 as soon as possible
- make sure that you or your child take(s) the full course of any antibiotics prescribed. Although you or your child will feel better soon after starting the course of antibiotics, you must complete the course to ensure that you do not carry the bacteria in your throat after you have recovered
- stay at home, away from nursery, school or work for at least 24 hours after starting the antibiotic treatment, to avoid spreading the infection
- children or nursery/school staff who refuse treatment with antibiotics should be excluded until resolution of symptoms

Reminders

We have sent home a link for the new photo consent form so that it includes Dojo. Please complete it asap as we would love to share photos of our Christmas activities on Dojo next week.

Don't forget that the children need a packed lunch on Wednesday for our trip to the theatre.

2pm finish on Friday 16th December (and no wraparound care)

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK



**THIS WEEK'S
HIGHEST SCORING TEAM IS:
FORBIDDEN FOREST**



Attendance

This week's attendance is as follows:

Maple Class - 84.2%

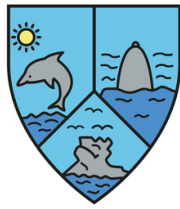
Rowan Class - 94.7%

Sycamore Class - 83.9%

Oak Class - 83.9%

Cherry Class - 90.6%

Whole school attendance
for the year is currently is : 95.2%



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Maple Class



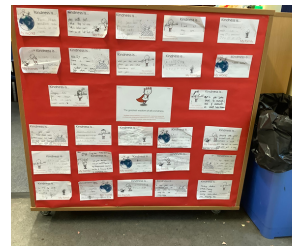
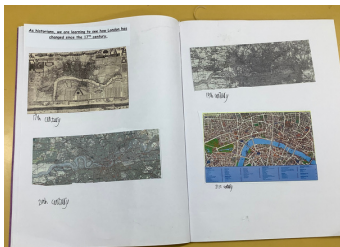
This week we have been very excited as it has been very cold and frosty. This has worked well with our topic as we have been exploring our area outside to see what happens when it is icy.

Rowan Class

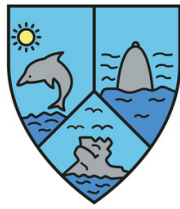


This week we have been busy designing and making our own Christmas flatbreads. We LOVED having our families in to taste and evaluate them and then play with them in our Outdoor Learning area.

Sycamore Class

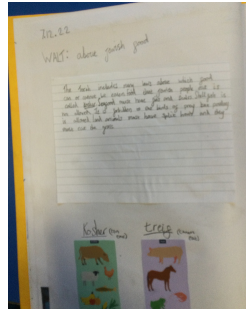


This week we have been busy rehearsing for our performance of Born in a Barn. It was so special performing the show to the rest of the school this afternoon and we can't wait to show it off to our grown ups from home next week! Earlier in the week we enjoyed using DigiMaps to look at how London has changed over the centuries.

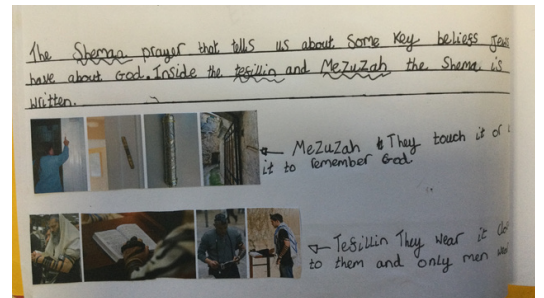


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Oak Class



Oak have had an RE focus in the afternoons this week, looking particularly at Judaism. They learnt about some of their key beliefs and the importance of the Torah in history, they have been thinking about how life today has been influenced by the Romans. They loved making their Christmas cards by getting their fingers messy with paint!



Cherry Class



This week we had a D.T day (design technology) where we designed and made energy balls that Charles Darwin and the crew of the HMS Beagle could have taken on their journey! Most of us concluded that they were delicious! We have also been busy practising our carols and readings for the carol concert next Tuesday. Congratulations to Matthew and Brandon for their success in their parkour competition over the weekend.



We held our last running club for the Year this week. We made it festive by wearing our Christmas hats!

PE News



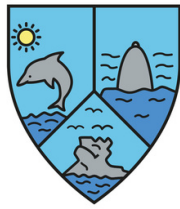
Remember : Crofty's Active Advent Calendar

<https://calendar.myadvent.net/?id=gfm9lc2c4e7zqwnqjhc18ra209juxp>



Portreath's Gold Medal Glory

A team of 8 children represented the school at today's Crofty Gymnastics Competition at West Coast Academy. It was a very busy morning, with the children showing off their amazing gymnastic talents in both body management skills and a floor sequence. The children's application and team spirit was delightful to see, as were the smiles on their faces when their combined scores put us in Gold Medal position! So proud of all of them. Big thank you to Katie Tonkin for helping out and calming nerves!



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AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Please note the new link for clubs after half term:

[Autumn 2 2022 Portreath After School Wraparound and Clubs Booking form \(google.com\)](#).

[New form will be shared next week.](#)

Monday	Dance - Mrs Doble	Craft - Miss Cafe
Tuesday	Multi-sports - Miss Cafe	Lego - Mrs Barnes
Wednesday	Drama - Mrs Rosser	Drama - Mrs Rosser
Thursday	Computers - Mrs Rosser	Outdoor Games - Mrs Barnes
Friday	Art - Mrs Kerslake	Art - Mrs Kerslake

PE Days

Monday - Rowan

Tuesday - Sycamore

Thursday - Cherry

Thursday - Maple

Friday - Oak

Outdoor learning for Rowan will be on Friday next week-so layers and as well as Christmas jumpers!

2022-23

INSET DAYS

School inset days:

3rd January 2023

4th January 2023

5th June 2023

Crofty MAT inset day:

20th February 2023

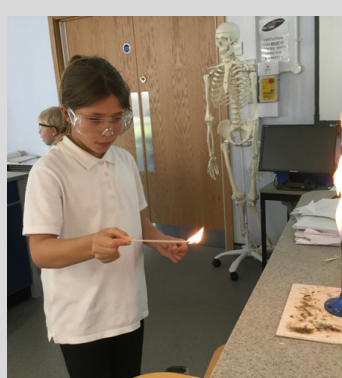
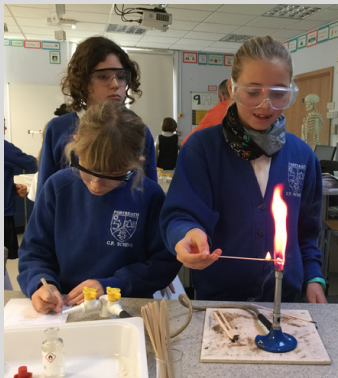
KEY DATES

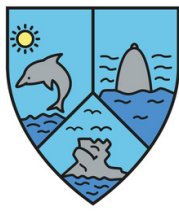
Monday 12th & Tuesday 13th December : KS1 Show
 Tuesday 13th December : Upper School Carol Concert, 5pm
 Wednesday 14th December : Sleeping Beauty Princess Pavilions trip
 Thursday 15th December : Christmas Dinner and parties
 Thursday 15th December : Portreath's Got Talent Auditions
 Friday 16th December : Christmas jumper day,
 Friday 16th December : last day of term 2pm finish.

The charity we are supporting through our Christmas performances this year with the retiring cash donation will be for St Petros.

YEAR 5 TRIP TO POOL ACADEMY

The Year 5 children had a wonderful time at Pool Academy this week. They got involved in a range of activities and particularly enjoyed the science work.





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COMMUNITY NEWS

A Christmas Concert
Featuring
Illogan Community Choir
Four Lanes Male Choir
Tuesday 13th December
Illogan Parish Church
7.30pm
Admission £5 at the door
Refreshments by Donation
profit going to
Local Food Bank

GWEALAN TOPS
ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

Free Teatime Family Meals

You will find a warm welcome with hot, tasty food and great company!

- Everyone is welcome
- Meals are totally free
- You don't need a referral or a voucher

Wednesdays
16th, 23rd, 30th November & 7th December
5pm – 6pm

Where?
Gwealan Tops, School Lane, Redruth
TR15 2ER

What is the food like?
We prepare fresh, home-cooked meals. There is always a vegetarian, vegan or gluten free option on offer too. The menu is announced on our Facebook page.

What do I need to bring?
You and your family – All ages are welcome! We have a warm, safe space with friendly volunteers and a hot meal.

Please let us know if you want to come when you are collecting your children or email to manager@gwealantops.org

LOTTERY FUNDED

www.gwealantops.org

CHRISTMAS Cricket Camps

Soft Ball
MONDAY 19TH DEC, TUESDAY 20TH DEC
10-3PM
SCHOOL YEARS 1-4
£15 PER CHILD

Hard Ball
WEDNESDAY 21ST DEC, THURSDAY 22ND DEC
10-3PM
SCHOOL YEARS 5-8
£20 PER CHILD

LOCATION - CORNWALL CRICKET CENTRE

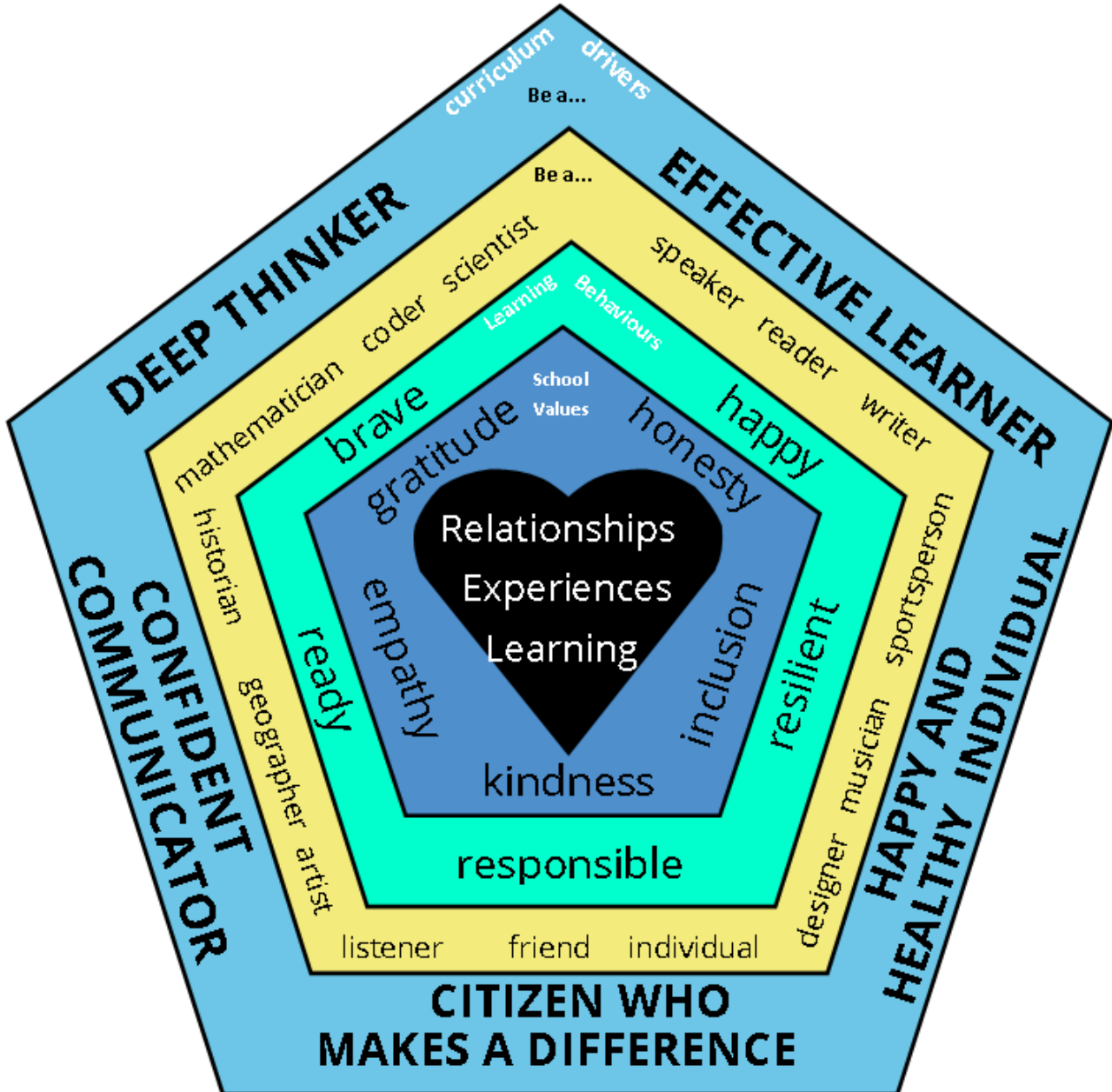
TO BOOK YOUR SPOT
<https://cornwallcricket.co.uk/junior-cricket/holiday-camps.html>
Any booking queries contact
ADMIN@CORNWALLCRICKET.CO.UK



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Primary School

Our Motto: Believe, Work Hard, Succeed

Our Values, Learning Behaviours and Curriculum Drivers:



A deep thinker and an effective learner who is a confident communicator and a happy and healthy citizen that will make a positive difference to the world.

Our Golden Rules

Show good manners at all times
Follow instructions with thought and care
Care for (and respect) everyone and everything