

# NEWSLETTER

What a fantastic beginning to 2023! The children have had a great start to term. They have been working hard and enjoying earning lots of Dojos!

This week Libby Ball, one of our governors, came in to see RWI phonic sessions in action. She was impressed with how it has been rolled out. She said that it was clear that all the children were fully engaged with the resources and learning. Thanks to all the parents who are supporting the hard work in school by regularly reading the books sent home too. Learning to read is such a fundamental skill and sets children off confidently on their educational journey. Our new teacher, Mrs Leanne Whitford, had a wonderful first day with Rowan this week. Mrs Sue Fazakerley-Owen, our new SENDCo, also had a brilliant first day this week. Miss Baseley and her had a very busy and productive time together. I am sure she is going to do a great job of supporting the staff, and the children with special educational needs and disabilities. She will be with us on Thursdays.

This week our early morning 'Wake and Shake' sessions started. The doors (near the pirate ship) open 8.25-8.30am for children to come into the hall for a 10 minute fitness to music session on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. A great way to wake up the body and mind! Thanks to Mrs Doble and Mrs Barnes for leading this!

Don't forget some of the after school clubs have changed this term. Please take a look at the chart later in the newsletter and make sure you book using the google form link. Mrs Rosser had a wonderful time creating lava lamps in science club this week!

Hopefully you have received your child's class leaflet and their knowledge organisers this week to help you to support your child's learning at home. If you have any questions, do send a message to your child's teacher on Dojo.

Cassie Pamplin

## STARS OF THE WEEK

Maple Class: Lenny- For showing resilience during Read Write Inc.

Rowan Class: Elsie - For her enthusiasm towards her learning.

Sycamore Class: Isla C - For showing confidence and being 'on fire' in Maths!

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

Cherry Class: Meredith - For having a "can do attitude" and showing great resilience.

## SPORTS STAR



This week's Sports Stars are:  
Arlo and  
Isla M

## STAR WRITERS

Maple Class: Tora

Rowan Class: Jaygo

Sycamore Class: Sophie

Oak Class: Oliver

Cherry Class: Bessie

## VALUE CHAMPIONS

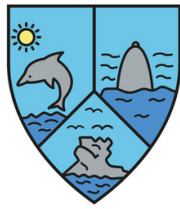
Maple Class: Connor

Rowan Class: Eva

Sycamore Class: Caleb

Oak Class: Reuben

Cherry Class: Bessie



### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK



### Safeguarding

A new year often means new year's resolutions. Get this year off to a great start by applying the 5 key ways to well-being, as a family. Think about how you can together: keep active, learn, connect, take notice (especially in nature) and give to others. Everyone's well-being is an important part of safeguarding.



### Science Fun

Science club had fun creating their own mini lava lamps this week.



### PE NEWS



### KS1 Multi Skills

KS1 Crofty Multi Skills Event  
12 girls and boys from Year 1 and 2 went to Treloweth School this afternoon to take part in a multi skills event. They worked in two teams to win points playing a range of exciting and challenging games. So very proud of ALL of them for trying their best and gaining bonus points for being helpful and great listeners! They came away with 6 gold medals and 6 bronze medals.

### Running Club

Running Club started back this week and it was great to see so many regular faces. If you are in Year 4,5 or 6 and you would like to join us for a short lunchtime run please collect a consent form from the office. We meet every Tuesday in the learning room at 12.15pm.



### Attendance

This week's attendance is as follows:

Maple Class - 90.4%

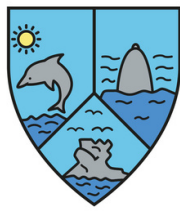
Rowan Class - 99.0%

Sycamore Class - 98.7%

Oak Class - 97.6%

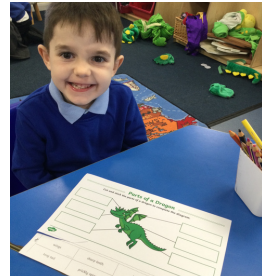
Cherry Class - 93.8%

Whole school attendance for the year is currently is : 94.9%



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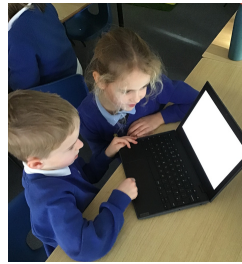
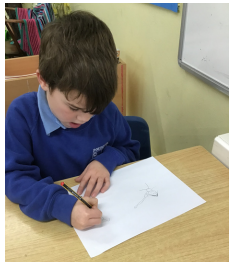
## Maple Class



This week we have been settling back into the routine of school.

We have been looking at dragons as part of our new topic Castles, Dragons and Knights. We were amazed to find out that Zog (by Julia Donaldson) is a resilient, brave, happy, ready and responsible learner just like we are at Portreath School.

## Rowan Class

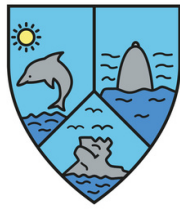


This week has been a great week in Rowan. We have begun our DT topic learning all about the different kinds of puppets there are. We have learnt a song about the continents and started to think about where Portreath is in relation to the rest of England.

## Sycamore Class

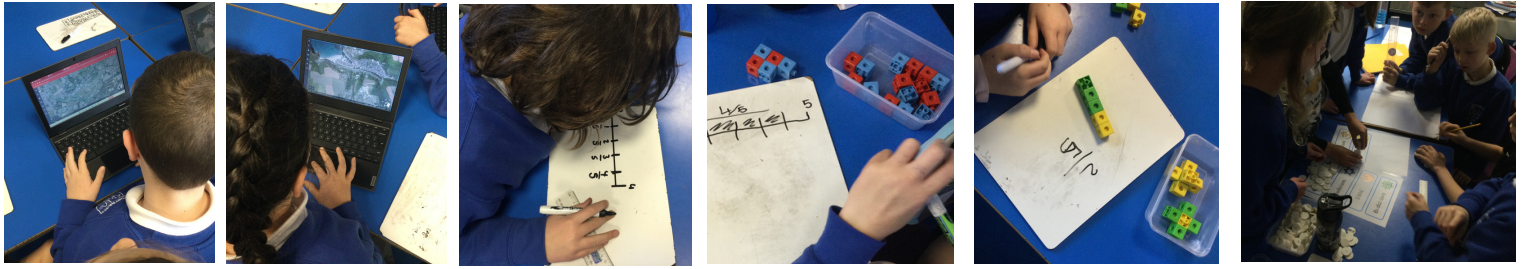


This week we began to immerse ourselves into our new topic of North America and Forests. In Geography, we spotted North America on globes and maps. We have been busy in English learning a traditional Canadian folk tale about why the leaves in the forest change colour in Autumn. We pretended to be animals from the story and held our very own "animal council" to discuss what life in the forest was like.



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## Oak Class



We've had a brilliant week in Oak class! Year 5's have started their new math's unit on fractions, whilst year 4s have been learning about multiplication! We have started building out geographical knowledge on where we can locate Egypt, it's modern capital city and what the flag looks like! In R.E we have started out unit on Islam; thinking about the question of 'what it means to be a Muslim in Britain today.'



## Cherry Class



It has been so lovely to all be back together over the last week or so. We kicked off our new science topic on Forces by having a workshop where we played and experimented with the forces of gravity, friction (water, surface and air resistance), upthrust (buoyancy) and magnetism. As you can see from the photos it was great fun, hands on way to learn!



## WAKE AND SHAKE

Wonderful to see so many children join in our 10-minute aerobic session to music this week. They left looking energised and happy and ready to start the day! Please come and join us each week on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8.25am. Entry through the door by the pirate ship - doors will shut at 8.30am.



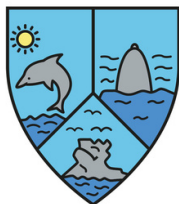
## NEW STAFF

SENDCo  
Mrs Sue  
Fazakerley-Owen



Rowan Teacher  
(Tuesdays)  
Mrs Leanne  
Whitford





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## 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](https://www.google.com))

Monday	Gymnastics - Mrs Doble	Team Challenges - Mrs Barnes
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	

## Community News

THE WRITERS' BLOCK

OPENING WEEK  
28 JANUARY -  
6 FEBRUARY 2023.

### THE WRITERS' BLOCK

### EVENTS FOR CHILDREN

THE LADDER, 2-4 CLINTON ROAD, REDRUTH

After months of painting and hammering, designing and making, we are overjoyed to announce a week of activities for all the community to celebrate the re-opening of The Writers' Block in Redruth. Below are the events suitable for younger children.

**Open Day**  
Visit the new immersive Writers' Block space, plus drop in activities with artists and writers, performances by The Story Republic and plenty of tea and cake.  
Saturday 28 January | 10-3pm  
Free event

**Little Story Seekers**  
Story, song and craft session for pre-school children with Jo Lumber.  
Monday 30 January | 11-12pm  
Free event

**Drop in session for under 8s**  
Drop in story, song and craft session for children with Jo Lumber.  
Monday 30 January | 4-5.30pm  
Free event

**Meet the author with children's writer Anna Wilson**  
A special writer event for children aged 7-11. Anna is the author of many children's books including The Wide Wide Sea and 2023 Nature Month by Month, A Children's Almanac.  
Friday 3 February | 4-5.30pm  
Free - booking essential

**For more details and events for older children and adults please visit:**  
[thewritersblock.org.uk/events](https://thewritersblock.org.uk/events)




**KEAP**

## School Census Day : Lunch Menu

Thursday 19th January



### THE ALL AMERICAN

**MAINS**  
Burger in a bun OR Quorn Hot Dog

**SIDES**  
Chips, Peas and Baked Beans

**DESSERTS**  
Strawberry Jelly, Honey Cookie  
and Vanilla Ice Cream



## REMINDERS

Book bags every day please in Maple, Rowan and Sycamore.

Please check all uniform and drinks bottles are named.

## PE DAYS

**Monday - Rowan**

**Tuesday - Sycamore**

**Thursday - Cherry**

**Thursday - Maple**

**Friday - Oak**

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

## INSET DAYS

School inset days:

5th June 2023

Crofty MAT inset day:

20th February 2023

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.