

NEWSLETTER

A highlight this week was when visiting musician, Angela Redshaw, who is working with our Songfest choir, told us that they were the best group she has worked with and sang so beautifully as a choir. She was impressed with how the children discussed the lyrics in the song and linked it to their work on refugees and evacuees. She commented on what a special school we are!

This week our rugby club had their first session after school and from next week Sam, from the Cornish Pirates will be working with Oak and Cherry each week.

Cherry did a great job with their class assembly today. I particularly enjoyed their chime bar playing. Cherry had a fantastic World War II workshop over Zoom on Wednesday. Also Meredith brought in a bomb fuse from the war which is now on display in our Cabinet of Curiosities. Don't forget to let us know if you have any interesting objects that you can lend us.

We are so lucky to have a wonderful library and I am keen to try to make the best use of it. Therefore, I am currently putting together a timetable for its use over lunchtime and I am also hoping to offer some before and after school sessions too. Keep an eye out on Dojo for more details.

This week our whole school assembly focus was about saving energy. We have a system in school that monitors energy usage and we are hoping to reduce our use to save money and also to look after our planet. Romey, who is one of our Trust Pupil Councilors, spoke to the children about this and urged everyone to share their ideas for how we can do this.

Today the whole school had a minute silence to mark a year since Russia invaded Ukraine and pay tribute to their courage.

Cassie Pamplin

CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE



Maple Class: Is - For always being enthusiastic when participating in lessons.

Rowan Class: Andie - For showing great enthusiasm in all of her learning.

Sycamore Class: Caleb - For being a focused, mature and hard-working learner.

Oak Class: Ellie - For being resilient in maths!

Cherry Class: Matthew - For doing extra art homework!

SPORTS STAR



This week's Sports Star is:
Tommy

STAR WRITERS



Maple Class: Hugo & Lenny

Rowan Class: Soren

Sycamore Class: Bea

Oak Class: Alex

Cherry Class: Meredith

VALUE CHAMPIONS



Maple Class: Whole Class

Rowan Class: Callum

Sycamore Class: Freddy

Oak Class: Ellis


Cherry Class: Dane



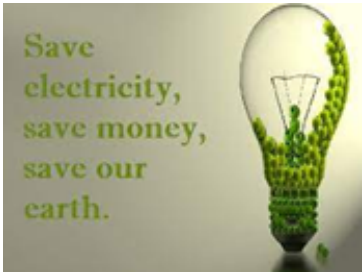
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THOUGHTS OF THE WEEK

Safeguarding
As the computing lead Mrs Forsdick has signed us up for a weekly e-safety bulletin that she will be sharing with parents. This week it is linked to the use of spotify. You will find this at the end of the newsletter.



Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has.
Margaret Mead



PE News

Cornish Pirates

Thank you to Sam Teasdale from the Cornish Pirates for putting on an after school club this week. The children worked on ball skills and were introduced to the game of touch rugby.

Starting next Wednesday and running up until Easter break, Sam will be working with Oak and Cherry class during school time. All children will need to wear PE kit every Wednesday- which is extra to their PE day.



We are delighted that Claire Rundle received a distinction on her 'Trauma Informed School Course'. As a school we use the TIS approach with all children.

The focus is on helping all children to feel validated, safe and cared for. Our school has 3 fully trained practitioners, Mrs Pamplin, Mrs Kerslake and Mrs Forsdick and all staff use this positive approach.



Here is Viola's winning poo poster design. Have you spotted it around the village yet?





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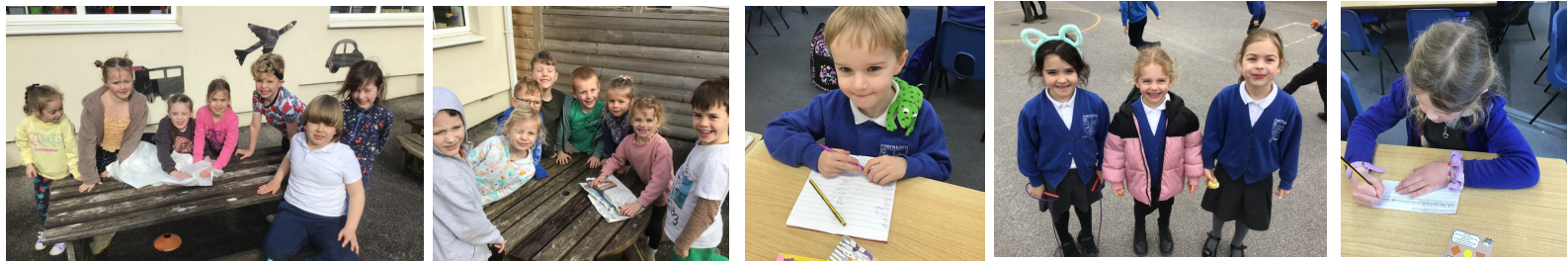
Maple Class



This week we started our new topic about Cornwall. We were surprised to find 3 Cornish piskies have moved into the classroom. We looked at a map of the UK and coloured in the county of Cornwall. Then we put a pin where Portreath village is. We have also been looking closely at the tadpoles as they have grown so much. They no longer have visible gills and some are showing signs of growing back legs.



Rowan Class



This week Rowan have been inventing their own warning story. We have started our art topic looking at African colours and patterns and have begun looking at creating our own. In science we have carried out an investigation to test how waterproof certain materials are.



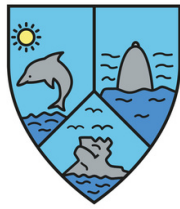
Sycamore Class



This week we have thrown ourselves into our geography by creating our own rain gauges to measure rainfall over the course of a week. We were very excited to arrive back at school on Thursday morning to see that they had started to fill up thanks to a downpour on Wednesday evening. We have also started our new English unit, writing a non-chronological report based on our forests learning from last half term.



Week beginning: Monday 20th February 2023



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Oak Class



This week we have been engrossed in the 'Discovery of Tutankhamun's Tomb'. We have been reading the brilliant non-fiction text 'The Story of Tutankhamun' and also starting to gather facts, as we begin our new writing unit – a newspaper report on the excavation. We are on our penultimate lesson studying LS Lowry, where we've been looking at foreground, midground and background – and made some amazing pastel images.



Cherry Class



On Wednesday morning we did a fab online workshop about life during World War 2. It was really interesting as we looked at it from the point of view of a British ARP warden and then from the point of view of an ordinary German family. We even had an "air" raid and sheltered under our desks!



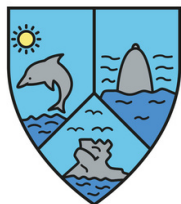
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AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Please note the new link for clubs after half term:

Spring 2 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	



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REDRUTH SCHOOL

SUPER SATURDAYS
for students starting secondary school in September 2024

BOOK ONLINE www.redruth.cornwall.sch.uk
OR CALL 01209 203715

9am - 12pm

SCIENCE WEEK session - 10 March 2023
IT & BT - 15 September 2023
PE - 23 September 2023
Romanology / NFL - 30 September 2023
Science - 7 October 2023
Art / Music / Drama - 14 October 2023
Open Evening - Thursday 21 September 5pm - 8.30pm

Experienced Local Piano Teacher (ATCL)

Specialises in early years

Will come to you if preferred

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BOOK ON THE PORTAL

WEST COAST CLUB

£24
9 - 3PM

WEST COAST ACADEMY ARE OFFERING CHILDCARE DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS FOR AGES 6 - 16 YEARS

REMINDERS

DOUBLE CHECK ALL CLOTHES AND DRINKS BOTTLES ARE NAMED

DO NOT USE THE CAR PARK WITHOUT PRIOR PERMISSION

Attendance

This week's attendance is as follows:

Maple Class - 94.2%

Rowan Class - 95.9%

Sycamore Class - 95.1%

Oak Class - 95.5%

Cherry Class - 94.8%

Whole school attendance for the year is currently is : 96.2%

PE DAYS

Monday - Rowan

Tuesday - Sycamore

Thursday - Cherry

Thursday - Maple

Friday - Oak

Outdoor learning for Sycamore will be on Fridays until 3rd March., then Maple on Fridays until Easter

INSET DAYS

School inset days:

5th June 2023

TERM DATES

Last Day of Term - 31st March

First Day Summer Term - 17th April

Bank Holiday - 8th May

Half Term - week commencing 29th May

Last Day Summer Term - 25th July

DATES

3rd March - Oak Assembly

8th March - Snuggledown 5:50-7pm for WBD

9th March - Cooking Workshops Oak & Maple

10th March - Sycamore Assembly

17th March - Rowan Assembly

22nd March - Songfest

24th March - Maple Assembly

28th March - Open Class 2:45-3:15pm

9-12th May - Year 6 SATS

15-17th May - Year 5 Camp

17-19th May - Year 6 Camp

27th June - Provisional Sports Day

5-7th July - Year 4 Camp

13th July - Open Class 2:45-3:15pm

GOOL PERAN LOWEN!

ST PIRAN'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

Monday 6th March

Menu

Traditional Steak Pasty or Cheese and Onion Pasty

Hevva Cake

Jacket Potato available on request

Pasties were eaten during the times by the adults and children who worked there; the shape and size made them ideal for carrying. It's distinctive D shape with the crust acting as a handle, which was designed to prevent contaminating the food with greasy, possibly animal-dirted hands.

All Proper Cornish we care passionately about quality produce. Mixed with great baking ingredients, made properly in Cornwall for people who love food.

We are passionate and proud about where our ingredients come from. At Proper Cornish, we believe in supporting our local farmers. Our mince comes from Hoxley, courtesy of their Cornishway's family run farm, our potatoes come from their generation farmer Chris Doolan farm and our onions are grown by Anthony Neal of Topwell. Cornwall grows some of the highest quality produce in the world, so why get anywhere else?

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