

NEWSLETTER

Oak and Sycamore both had fantastic learning experiences on their trips this week. At Newquay Zoo, Sycamore got to see a range of animals, including some such as the grey squirrel, deer snowy owl and other birds that could be found in a Canadian Forest - their current Geography topic. Oak Class loved their Egyptian workshop at The Royal Cornwall Museum and their Lowry inspired sketching session outside Truro Cathedral.

Thanks to all the children for their entries for the dog fouling poster competition. I look forward to judging them alongside Vicki and Jo next week. I think it is going to be tricky; there are some super entries!

This week Josh, Romey and myself joined other pupil councillors from other Crofty MAT schools to discuss ways we can reduce energy usage. Thanks to Dane, we have little signs around school to remind everyone to turn off lights. The school council are going to consider other ways we can use less electricity. We have a special system in school that monitors energy usage throughout the school.

Lots of training has taken place this week. Some TA's attended some great training linked to speech and language and Mrs Jose found the course about sensory needs really helpful. Yesterday, the teachers all attended a 'Teach Meet' after school at Lanner School. The theme was English and teachers attended a variety of workshops, run by English Leads from different schools, to gather ideas and inspiration for the teaching of reading and writing.

Cassie Pamplin

CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE



Maple Class: Tora - For being a hard worker who is always ready to learn.

Rowan Class: -Eva - For an incredibly hard working attitude towards her learning.

Sycamore Class: ALL of Sycamore - For being absolute SUPERSTARS on our Newquay Zoo Trip.

Oak Class: Mia - For producing a fantastic diary.

Cherry Class: Zara - For hard work and resilience.

SPORTS STAR



This week's Sports Stars is:
Matthew and Taylor

STAR WRITERS



Maple Class: Eadie

Rowan Class: Immy

Sycamore Class: Freddy

Oak Class: Danica

Cherry Class: Maria

VALUE CHAMPIONS



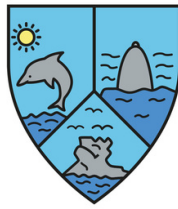
Maple Class: Elsa

Rowan Class: Robert

Sycamore Class: Harry

Oak Class: Sam

Cherry Class: Indya



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THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Every day in a hundred small ways our children ask, 'Do you see me? Do you hear me? Do I matter?' Their behaviour often reflects our response.

L.R. Knost



Safeguarding

Safer Internet Day 2023 will take place on the 7th of February 2023, with celebrations and learning based around the theme 'Want to talk about it? Making space for conversations about life online'. Here is a link to some useful information:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>



Social media Hub

Advice about key social media platforms and apps



PE News

Football

Next week there will be opportunities to practice football skills and play small gamers during lunchtimes. Thank you to our Year 6 Leaders who will be helping out.



Boys Football League Game

Last night the boys played a tight match against Weeth School. With just enough players to make a team, the boys worked together to score 2 goals, showing a strong and persistent attack on Weeth. The defence battled hard to keep the ball out of our half but unfortunately Weeth scored the winning goal with just minutes to go. Spectacular game to watch – well done boys! Thank you to the boys' coach – Derek Jose – who has been working with the boys this half term.

Reminders

Parent Consultations

<https://portreath.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Week commencing 6th Feb

Maple - Mon, Tues & Weds

Rowan - Mon & Weds

Sycamore - Mon, Wed & Thu

Oak - Mon, Tues & Weds

Cherry - Mon, Tues

Cherry Y5 Fri & 24th Feb

Attendance

This week's attendance is as follows:

Maple Class - 97.4%

Rowan Class - 99.4%

Sycamore Class - 96.7%

Oak Class - 96%

Cherry Class - 87.6%

Whole school attendance for the year is currently is : 95%

PE DAYS

Monday - Rowan

Tuesday - Sycamore

Thursday - Cherry

Thursday - Maple

Friday - Oak

Outdoor learning for Sycamore will be on Fridays until 3rd March.

INSET DAYS

School inset days:

5th June 2023

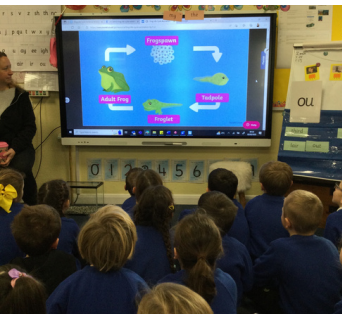
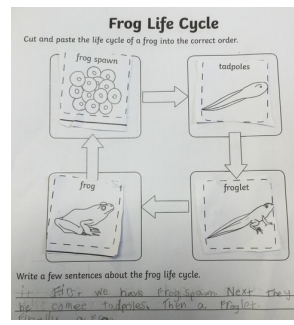
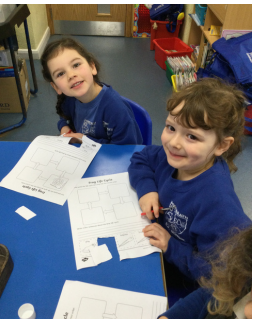
Crofty MAT inset day:

20th February 2023



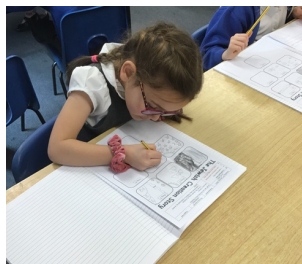
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Maple Class



This week we were lucky enough to be given some frog spawn that Dawn rescued from a puddle. We have been looking closely with magnifying glasses and watched a video about the life cycle of a frog. We are looking forward to watching our tadpoles grow. Thank you Dawn

Rowan Class



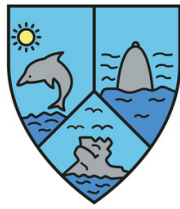
This week Rowan Class have been learning the story of Trixie the adventurous Penguin through storytelling. We have used mime, storytelling circles and hand actions to help us remember key words and phrases from the story. We are continuing to learn about the UK in Geography and have begun to test materials in Science.



Sycamore Class

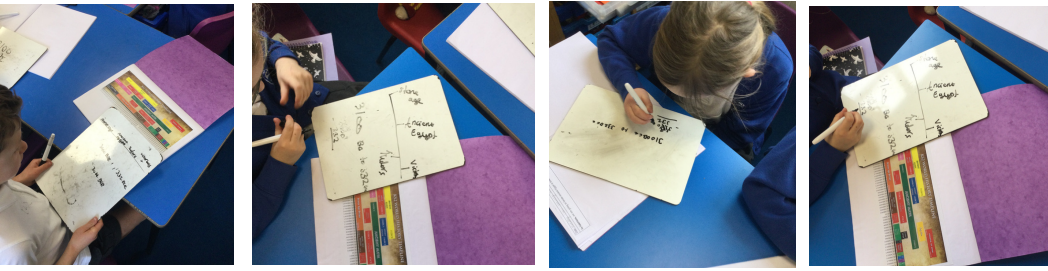


This week we went to the Zoo! We had the most fantastic time spotting animals from different world biomes. We especially loved spotting the Snowy Owl who lives in the Canadian Boreal Forest which we have been learning about in Geography. We were also fascinated to see part of the real spine of a giraffe during our talk. The children represented Portreath School amazingly and showed impeccable manners.



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Oak Class

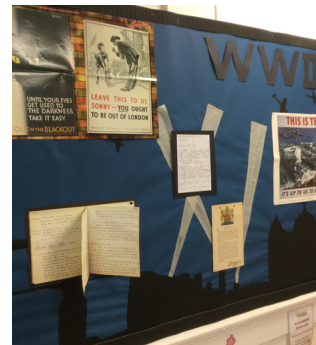


This week we have launched into a new, short unit of writing a character description. We watched a captivating animation about a 'dream-giver' and are now building up our descriptive language! We're about to also set off on our journey of the ancient Egyptians! We've been placing the Ancient Egyptian civilization on a timeline and are off on our Egyptian workshop today! More photos to follow next week!

Cherry Class



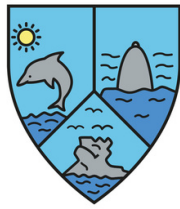
This week we hit our Class Dojo target of 1000 dojos and were treated to a pj's and a film afternoon. In our learning we have been proud to finish off our fantastic individual poems based on Walter de la Mare's "The Listeners".



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
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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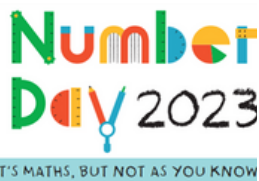
Peninsula Gymnastics Final

A MASSIVE well done to our 8 gymnasts who took part in this year's Peninsula Gymnastics competition at Penryn Gymnastics Centre. The team consisted of 4 gym club participants and 4 non-club participants. All gymnasts had to perform an individual routine on the floor and vault. Overall results are still pending, but huge congratulations goes to Matthew who earned a gold medal as overall winner of the boys in the non-club section. Thank you to Katie Tonkin who came along offering support and helped to calm the nerves!



PTA AGM Open Meeting

All parents, grandparents and community supporters are invited to attend the Portreath School PTA Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 21st February at 3.30pm at the school. Join us as we explore how to support our school and pupils during 2023.



DATES

- Half Term - week commencing 13th Feb
- Last Day of Term - 31st March
- First Day Summer Term - 17th April
- Half Term - week commencing 29th May
- Last Day Summer Term - 25th July
- Number Day - 10th February (dress-up)
- 24th Feb - Cherry Assembly
- 3rd March - Oak Assembly
- 8th March - Snuggledown 5:30-6:30pm for WBD
- 9th March - Coding 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

Community News

Ages 6-12 **Let's make art** Limited Spaces Available

KITE BUILDING **SLIME MAKING**

Creative Kids Craft Club

SEWING **Model building** **BIRD FEEDERS** *Illegan Village Hall*

4.30-6.30pm

Every Friday starting from 24th of February for 8 weeks

£10.00 per child per week for ages 6-12. Payment is to be made prior to attending the session each week unless you've paid in full upfront and no cash please.

Refreshment and fruit snack provided

Please get in touch with Sophie at Sophie.travers@hotmail.com or text details to 07423095683

If you'd like to book please send me your child's full name and a name and contact number and I'll send bank details to confirm their place.

Lots more!