

# NEWSLETTER

We had a fabulous day on Wednesday celebrating stories and reading. Craig, form Squashbox Theatre delighted the children with his puppet show, Skillywidden. Maple and Rowan then enjoyed making their own unique puppets. A huge thank-you to Aequorea, who funded this. Snuggedown was a magical evening. 110 children attended in their PJs, with their teddies in tow! They listened beautifully to the stories and there was lots of laughter! I think many found it amusing seeing the staff in their PJs too! A huge thank-you to all the staff involved, who made this special evening possible. Thank-you so much for all the donations that will be going to help earthquake victims in Syria.

Congratulations to Matt Leech, who has been elected as our new chair of governors. Hopefully, you have seen his letter that was posted on Dojo. I am sure that he is going to be a fantastic chair. I cannot thank Jess Cafe enough for all she has done as the chair over the last few years. She will continue to be a highly valued member of our local governing body.

It is great that the defibrillator has been moved so it is now accessible outside of school hours. Thank-you so much to Portreath Improvement Committee who funded this. It is so important to have this life saving equipment in the village.

Thanks to Karen, from Chartwells, who delivered food workshops this week to Maple and Oak. Thanks to June, who is a local piano teacher, for coming to play to the school in assembly. We are really keen for children to hear lots of live music. If you know of any musicians who would be happy to play to the school, please let Miss Baseley know. Thanks to Mrs Jones who spoke to the children about National Science Week (which is next week) in assembly today. The theme this year is connections. Cassie Pamplin



## **CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE**

- Maple Class: Archie For working so hard and finishing his work in RWI
- Rowan Class: Paige For a resilient approach towards her learning.

**Sycamore Class:** Eddie - For working with a focused attitude.

**Oak Class:** Jowan - For always working hard and being polite

Cherry Class: Isla - For always being a happy, healthy and hard working member of the class.

## **SPORTS STAR**



This week's Sports Stars are: Jessamy, Evie & Jowan

## **STAR WRITERS**



Maple Class: Lochie Rowan Class: Seb Sycamore Class: Mila Oak Class: Daisy Cherry Class: Kara-Lily



Maple Class: Hugo Rowan Class: Harvey Sycamore Class: Caleb Oak Class: Ellis Cherry Class: Alfie

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#### Safeguarding

Please remember to inform us of any changes or new medical conditions, including asthma, or allergies. It is essential for us to have the most up- todate information.



#### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"TODAY A READER. TOMORROW A LEADER."

#### PE News

Mr Shaughnessy from Treloweth School took Oak Class for their PE lesson this afternoon. They focused on fundamental movement skills, then introduced a ball and concentrated on receiving the ball on the move. He was really impressed with all the children's focus and enthusiasm. Big thank you, Mr

Shaughnessy! You were great.











Snuggledown

















Maple Class





This week we have made scones, written instructions to go with them and eaten them! Richard Trevithick has been a part of our history learning and we were really lucky to have Craig from Squashbox in to help us make puppets after he put on his show Skillywidden.

#### **Rowan Class**



This week we have been busy starting our science topic on 'Living Things and their Habitats', we decided, through questioning, whether something was alive/dead/never been alive. We were lucky enough to have Craig come into school to help finish off our topic on puppets and we can't wait to show you them! We were also lucky enough to have some help from Sandy (Seb's gran) to start getting our outdoor area prepped and ready for the summer term.







#### Sycamore Class





This week in Sycamore we have started learning a new Cornish story, 'The Pisky-led boy'. We were so excited to see that Craig from Squashbox's show was all about the different types of piskies you can find in Cornwall. We have started our new plant topic in science and enjoyed learning about the different functions of a flowering plant.



## **Oak Class**



Excellent week in Oak! We have been conducting experiments in science, measuring friction in Newtons. We have also been creating some excellent quotes for our newspapers, from key people from the time of Tutankhamun's discovery! We have also had Karen from Chartwell's in, making Egyptian flatbreads – ahead of our new DT projects; creating Egyptian menus.



#### **Cherry Class**



This week, Cherry have been very busy designing, making and testing WW2 bomb shelters! They worked cooperatively in their groups and had great fun. They have also been learning how to write a balanced argument.





AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS Please note the new link for clubs after half term:

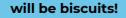
Spring 2 2023 Portreath After School Wraparound and Clubs Booking form (google.com)

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	



#### Your PTA needs you (and Easter eggs!)!

In 2023, the PTA has committed to making a difference to our school but we need your help! We need Easter eggs or Easter themed items for our Easter Bingo Eggstravaganza! Details to follow. Just pop them into the school office - the teachers have promised not to eat them! Please get in touch if you are keen to get involved or join us at the next meeting at 3.30pm, Tuesday 14th March, Portreath School. There





#### REMINDERS

DO NOT USE THE CAR PARK WITHOUT PRIOR PERMISSION

#### Attendance

This week's attendance is as follows: Maple Class - 98.4% Rowan Class - 99.3%

Sycamore Class - 97.7% Oak Class - 98.1% Cherry Class - 99.0% Whole school attendance for the year is currently is : 95.33%

## PE DAYS

Monday - Rowan Tuesday - Sycamore Thursday - Cherry Thursday - Maple Friday - Oak Outdoor learning - Maple Class-Fridays until Easter-they can wear old clothes as they might get muddy!

> **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



#### Red Nose Day

As we have already asked for donations this year for 5 charities, we wont be for Comic Relief, however children are welcome to wear red noses if they have them If anybody would like to donate here is the Comic Relief link, thanks.

https://www.comicrelief.com/rednoseday

## DATES

17th March - Rowan Assembly 2:45pm 22nd March - Songfest 24th March - Maple Assembly 2:45pm 28th March - Open Class 2:45-3:15pm 29th March - Upper School Choir Concert 31st March - Sycamore Assembly 2:45pm (note change of date) 9-12th May - Year 6 SATS 15-17th May - Year 6 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

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