

### NEWSLETTER

On Wednesday Linda May, Alex Craig and Duncan Ratcliffe, who are all headteachers, along with Justine Hocking, education consultant and Ofsted inspector were in school for the day. They came to review what the school is doing well and give us suggestions for future improvements. It was a positive day and I felt so proud of all the children and staff. They observed lessons, spoke to teachers, and spoke to many of the children about their learning, as well as looking at their books. It was great to receive lots of positive feedback and have everyone's hard work recognised. As always, they were impressed by our wonderful children. They also gave us some good ideas for how we can improve things even further. As a school, I feel it is really important for us to continually strive to improve. To finish off a great day, I got to attend Songfest in the evening at Truro Cathedral to watch 10 Portreath pupils sing with other Cornish schools. It was a joyful evening! A huge thank-you to Miss Baseley and to Miss Clarke for working with the children on the songs and helping the children to sing so beautifully. I could tell the children loved it. What a wonderful opportunity for them! Thanks to Mrs Doble and Miss Cafe who also helped to get the children there! I am looking forward to the concert in school next week performed by the whole of upper school choir.

Thanks to Maple Class for their wonderful assembly today. I was very impressed with their counting to 10 in Cornish. I definitely need to practise more to get as good as them! They did a great job of telling us the story of 'Lutey and the Mermaid'.

I am looking forward to the Easter bingo next week run by the PTA on Tuesday! Hope to see you there!

**Cassie Pamplin** 

#### CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE



Maple Class: Alfie Cooper - For being an

<u>Music</u> enthusiastic learner.

Rowan Class: Ella - For a positive approach

towards her learning.

Sycamore Class: Konan - For being a happy and

responsible member of Sycamore.

Oak Class: Lowen - For really trying hard in all her work – in particular, her spellings! Well done! Cherry Class: Bessie - For total enthusiasm in

everything she does.

#### **SPORTS STAR**



This week's Sports Stars are: Charlie & Caleb

#### STAR WRITERS



Maple Class: Mila Rowan Class: Robert Sycamore Class: Tommy

Oak Class: Evelyn Cherry Class: Myah

#### **VALUE CHAMPIONS**



Maple Class: Alfie Rowan Class: Elsie Sycamore Class: Bethan Oak Class: Sophia

Oak Class: Sophia Cherry Class: Sophie



Safeguarding https://portreath.croftymat.org/useful-links/

Over the Easter holidays, staff will not be checking emails and Dojo regularly, so if you have any safeguarding concerns, please do not hesitate to call MARU.



If you see something, say something

- **20300 1231 116**
- multiagencyreferralunit @cornwall.gov.uk

#### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

DREAM BIGGER.
PLAN BETTER.
ACT CONSISTENTLY.
CELEBRATE SUCCESS.
AND REPEAT THIS
PROCESS.



National School Skipping Day

Portreath joined in National School Skipping Day at
lunchtime today. Great to see over 70 pupils
skipping at the same time – even staff! Below is a
link for the challenges we have been practicing and
a video to help with technique.

https://www.skipping-workshops.co.uk/skipping-challenge/

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R-eoA6F7OV0









#### Songfest

We are very proud of the children who took part in Songfest in Truro Catherdral this week. They did an excellent job of representing the school with their fanatstic behaviour as well as super singing.







#### Maple Class













This week spring seems to have sprung! We have been 'looking closely' at different things. Our tadpoles are now growing their back legs and lots of flowers have popped up around the pond. We found lots of newts in our pond and managed to catch 7. We looked at the difference between them and found 2 were female and 5 were male.

#### **Rowan Class**











This week in Rowan we have continued to learn all about Kenya. We used our knowledge to think about the type of clothing we would need to pack on holiday when visiting Africa. We have also created sunset paintings. Cutting out our silhouettes proved to be quite tricky!! We were treated to a viewing of actual Maasai Mara tribal carvings – Ernies great-grandfather was given them as a thank you after working with the tribe when he was a botanist in Kenya.



#### **Sycamore Class**













This week in Sycamore we have been doing lots of teamwork! We worked together in RE to create our own list of commandments to make the world a better place and in art we are collaborating to create tree collages. The children have also been working SO hard in English to write their own fantastic innovated stories. They have all done such an amazing job.



#### **Oak Class**











A fantastic week! We have started our final writing unit of the term; balanced arguments and have had fun so far discussing both sides of an argument for topics such as –'should parents let children climb trees'! In science, we conducted an experiment as to which shape created more water resistance and in RE we created posters about the meaning of good Friday.



#### **Cherry Class**









We have had a super busy week in Cherry Class this week. In English we enjoyed a drama lesson to help us to "get into the shoes" of our character before planning a historical story set in World War 2. In history we have started to create an information text designed to teach other children about the effect of The Blitz on ordinary citizens during World War 2.





#### **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

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	



Drop your donations for the Easter Bingo into school reception any day next week

Any size eggs or easter-themed items gratefully received All proceeds will go towards a class set of ukuleles Thanks for your support



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! Just pop them into the school office - the teachers have promised not to eat them!

The bingo evening will be 3.30-5.30pm in the school hall. It will be great to see you there! All members of the community are invited.

# REMINDERS LIBRARY TIME BEFORE SCHOOL AT 8.15AM: Y5/6 WEDS, Y3/4 THURS THEN AFTER SCHOOL ON ALTERNATE WEEKS- MAPLE AND Y1/2 (NEXT WEEK IT IS MAPLE'S TURN) THANKS

OPEN CLASS NEXT TUES 2.45PM

#### **Attendance**

This week's attendance is as follows:

Maple Class - 94.2%

Rowan Class - 95.7%

Sycamore Class - 95.8%

Oak Class - 98.2%

Cherry Class - 90.6% Whole school attendance for the year is currently is: 95.3%

#### 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!

#### **TERM DATES**

Last Day of Term - 31st March First Day Summer Term - 17th April Bank Holiday - 8th May Half Term - w/c 29th May Last Day Summer Term - 25th July

#### INSET DAYS

5th June 2023



FUN FOR ALL THIS SUMMER MAY-AUGUST 18 WEEKS OF FUN PACKED ACTIVITIES LEARN NEW SKILLS CREATE NEW MEMORIES MEET NEW FRIENDS ECB QUALIFIED COACHES

GIVE CRICKET A GO THIS SUMMER AT CAMBORNE C.C



#### **DATES**

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 5 Camp

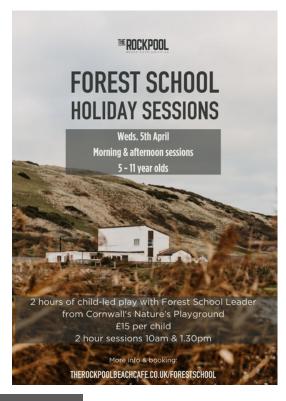
27th June - Provisional Sports Day 5-7th July - Year 4 Camp 13th July - Open Class 2:45-3:15pm



#### **Community News**



Seb has spent last Saturday
morning hard at work building
a creative bug hotel for Rowan
Class. This is amazing! We love
how Rowan Class's outdoor
area is developing!



## AVENTUR TEYLU

Sadly, Liam & Sophia Daddow, are leaving Portreath School on 31st March. This is to undertake an exciting challenge as a family. Liam & Sophia have asked us to share their plans with you:

We are attempting to cycle from Lands End to John o'Groats as a family, unsupported as a leisure activity because we would like to spend more time together. We are also doing it for charity. We have got four charities we have chosen to support. We have decided to do it for Penhaligon's Friends first because they helped us through tough times with the world. Another local charity we are doing it for is Cornwall Hospice care because they helped our family when our nanny was very poorly. Also another one is the Veterans Foundation because mum and dad are from the Royal Navy. The last one is probably the well known one, its Marie Curie because the nurses there came in to help when people were sick in our family.

We will be setting off from Lands End at 9am on the 5th April, we will pass through the village at some point on the 6th April. Following the National Cycle path all the way, carrying our tents, sleeping bags and everything we think we need.

If you would like to donate to this event click here

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