

NEWSLETTER

Portreath

What a fabulous term! I am so proud of all the staff and children for all their hard work. We have had a busy term full of lots of learning and enrichment opportunities. Over the last couple of weeks the children in Y1-Y6 have been completing maths and reading tests. I am delighted with how well they have all done, they have really shown off their knowledge and skills. Whilst conducting the Year 1 and Year 4 maths tests, I was struck by how well the children maintained concentration and demonstrated resilience when tackling the trickier questions. Talking to the other teachers, they all said similar things - the children did themselves proud!

I was amazed by the stunning art work Rowan produced this week with local artist Tina- a messy but fun process creating African animals! Tina sent us a lovely message afterwards, "...I had a lovely time working with your children and I wanted to say how absolutely brilliant they were. It was heart-warming to see how they treated each other with such respect and kindness, and how engaged and interested they were in the whole topic and this project. It was striking how all the staff spoke to the children with warmth and respect as well and that is clearly why there is such a positive feel in the classroom."

Sycamore's class assembly was great today. I enjoyed their flying sycamore seeds, art work and facts! It was a pleasure listening to Y4, 5 and 6 sing at our concert on Wednesday.

It was wonderful to see so many of you at Open Class this week celebrating your child's learning with them. I had great fun at the Easter bingo - a huge thanks to the PTA for organising this - they raised £184. The PTA would like to thank all those who attended and to Jill, Michelle, Penny & Leanda for their help too. Thanks to all those parents who have completed the parental survey. I look forward to seeing the results. The link is on Dojo for anyone who hasn't had chance to complete it yet.

I hope everyone has a wonderful break over the Easter holidays. It is a great time to enjoy family time as well as eat lots of chocolate! Mrs Pamplin

CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE

Maple Class: Connor - For working hard in everything.

Rowan Class: Immy - For a positive attitude towards her learning.

Sycamore Class: Sophie - For always working hard.

Oak Class: Harry - For always trying his hardest and pushing his learning.

Cherry Class: Liam - For being a fantastic member of Cherry Class. Good luck on your adventure!



This week's **Sports Stars** are: Tyga & Harvey

STAR WRITERS



Maple Class: Is Rowan Class: Eva Sycamore Class: Isla E Oak Class: Martha Cherry Class: Tamsin

VALUE CHAMPIONS

Maple Class: Luella Rowan Class: Clara Sycamore Class: Grover Oak Class: Olivia Cherry Class: Dane

SPORTS STAR

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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.



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Well done to our Cross Country runners!

A huge well done to the 11 children from Years 4, 5 and 6 who went to the Peninsula Finals on Monday afternoon to represent the Crofty MAT. Representing the school superbly, on the undulating crosscountry course. The children battled hard to the finish line, racing against over 60 children in each age group with the top 20 qualifying for the County final.

Four children went on to compete in the School Cross Country County Final at Newquay 2 days later. It was an extremely strong crowd with all the best runners competing in challenging conditions. Well done to Harriet, Isla, Amelie and Jowan!! We are so proud of you all! Harriet coming 8th and Jowan coming 10th across Cornwall.















Bingo We all loved the PTA's Bingo night. Gillian was a fantastic bingo caller!

Songfest Choir Concert









Open Class Afternoon







THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

There's only one thing more precious than our time and that's who we spend it on.

LEO CHRISTOPHER



Maple Class





This week we have been embracing our RE and have been learning about the Christian celebration of Easter. We have had a fantastic term-well done everyone!

Rowan Class



This week we have been lucky enough to have Tina from The Art Project come in and help create 3D sculptures of African animals. We absolutely LOVED the morning creating them and then using plaster of paris to define their shape. We then mixed up our own realistic colours to paint them. Dr. Hobson (Clara's mum) treated us and brought in an actual Rhino skull for us to examine, as well as some elephant's teeth and porcupine quills! We also finished off our African sunsets.



Sycamore Class



This week we enjoyed learning all about seed dispersal in our plants topic. Our favourite type of seed was, of course, a Sycamore helicopter! We had fun making our own versions of these and dropping them. We also finished our Matisse art topic by collaborating to make beautiful forest collages. We rounded off the week by showing off all of our fantastic learning from this term to the rest of the school and our parents in assembly.



Oak Class













We've had a lovely last week of term (even with a lovely chorus of coughing!) We finished our BRILLIANT class novel – 'Secrets of a Sun King'. Everyone has been completely engrossed. We have also completed our balanced argument, debating 'Should we stop air travel, to save the environment?' It's been really interesting researching both sides of the argument. We also enjoyed a cosy snuggle down, enjoying the class reward of a film in PJs! Happy Oak Class, ready for Easter!



Cherry Class



This week we have been so proud of our history work – we were challenged to produce a two-page-spread designed to teach other children about the impact of The Blitz on ordinary citizens during World War Two.... and we did a fantastic job! We also enjoyed watching the film of 'Good Night Mr Tom', which has been our class novel this term: we were very interested in the differences and similarities from the book.



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

PLEASE NOTE THE NEW LINK and NEW CLUBS! Summer 1 2023 Portreath After School Wraparound and Clubs Booking form (google.com)

| Monday | Health Movers - Mrs Barnes | |
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| Tuesday | Gardening - Miss Cafe | Summer Sports - Mrs Barnes |
| Wednesday | History - Mrs Rosser | |
| Thursday | Yoga - Mrs Rosser | Recycled Crafts - Mrs Barnes |
| Friday | Wraparound-Mrs Barnes | |



School Uniform

From the summer term, we no longer have the facility to sell uniform at school. Trophy Textiles will be taking on the school uniform orders direct. Please contact Trophy Textiles for all future uniform requirements. Please let us know if you have any issues getting uniform and we will see how we can support you. They have a website: https://www.trophytextiles.co.uk/. They are based in Pool, near Tescos, on the industrial estate. We also encourage people using second-hand uniform and the PTA often run sales for this. Thanks



Trophy Textiles

Unit 2D, Pool Business Park, Dudnance Lane, Pool. Cornwall **TR15 3QW**

REMINDERS

LIBRARY TIME BEFORE SCHOOL AT 8.15AM: Y5/6 WEDS, Y3/4 THURS THEN AFTER SCHOOL ON **ALTERNATE WEEKS- MAPLE** AND Y1/2 (FIRST WEEK BACK AFTER EASTER WILL BE ROWAN'S TURN) THANKS

Attendance

This week's attendance is as follows: Maple Class - 92.3% Rowan Class - 97% Sycamore Class - 87.42%

Cherry Class - 84.5% Whole school attendance for the year is currently is : 95.1%

PE DAYS Monday - Rowan **Tuesday - Sycamore Thursday - Cherry Thursday - Maple** Friday - Oak



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.

DATES

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

TERM DATES

Last Day of Term - 31st March First Day Summer Term - 17th April Bank Holiday - 1st May Bank Holiday - 8th May King Charles Last Day Summer Term - 25th July **INSET DAYS**

5th June 2023