

NEWSLETTER

Today we sadly said goodbye to the fabulous Mrs Harris in Maple Class. As much as she loves working here, she is now taking on official grandparenting duties so will be spending her time looking after her gorgeous grandson. We are really going to miss her. She has supported so many children in her role as TA and she has always brought plenty of laughter to the staffroom! We have had lots of visitors this week. Yesterday 3 Crofty trustees, John Whetter, Karen Brokenshire and Peter Sheppard visited the school. Tamsin and Sophia gave them a tour of the school and did an excellent job of showing off our wonderful school. They were impressed with the school and were particularly interested in how we try to make school such an enriching experience for the children. We had a health and safety audit and a safeguarding audit, both went really well. What was evident was how seriously we take these things as a school. Teachers from Weeth School joined us for our staff meeting this week. The focus was on looking at the children's writing and discussing it. It was a really useful session and it is always good for teachers to get together to share their thoughts and ideas. We had some education researchers visit the school after being chosen as an exemplary school to help them evaluate the 'Healthy Movers' project. Thanks to those staff and parents who spoke with them. A huge well done to Mrs Doble for introducing this initiative to our school and also congratulations to Mrs Doble for helping the school achieve the 'School Games Gold Award'. This is due to her dedication to and her passion for sport in our school. Our other very important visitors were all of you. Thanks so much to all those parents and carers who managed to join us for Open Class this week and celebrate the children's learning.

Have a great half term! Don't forget we come back on Tuesday 6th June.

Cassie Pamplin



CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE

Maple Class: Skye - For a positive approach to her continuous phonics practice. – So proud of you Skye!

Rowan Class: Andie - For a brilliant attitude towards her learning.

Sycamore Class: Isla.E - For approaching all of her learning with enthusiasm.

Oak Class: Alila - For working with focus and determination.

Cherry Class: Tamsin - For total reliability and always seeing things through to the end.

STAR WRITERS



Musice Maple Class: Elsa Rowan Class: Esmae Sycamore Class: Reina Oak Class: Daisy Cherry Class: Sophia



VALUE CHAMPIONS

Maple Class: Bodhi Rowan Class: Billy Sycamore Class: Harry Oak Class: Danica & Elsie-Belle Cherry Class: Isla

Tel No 01209 842542

portreathsecretary@croftymat.org



This week's Sports Star is: Evie.A



SAFEGUARDING and HEALTH and SAFETY

Please ensure children do not climb on our lovely Cornish stone walls at the front of school. This is for the sake of children's safety and to protect the walls. **Summer Reminders:**

Please do not forget to apply sunscreen to your child before school on sunny days. It is important for all children to have their water bottle in school and I would advise a sunhat too.

Healthy Movers

On Tuesday we had a team of researchers from the Centre for Research in Early Childhood (CREC) come into school to undertake an evaluation of our Healthy Movers programme. They spoke to a range of people involved including parents and staff, to create a short case study of how the school delivers the programme and what benefits it has had. A big thank to the parents who were interviewed by the

team.

Crofty Football Trials

This week 5 children were selected to attend the Crofty MAT football trials which were held at Treloweth school. They met up with children from all the other Crofty schools to showcase their skills in hope of being selected to take part in the Cornwall MAT Cup in June. Massive congratulations to Ellie and Elle for making the team. Well done to Hugo, Sam and Jowan, who are awaiting to hear the results, we hope you enjoyed the process!

Running Club

Hoping to venture to a different location for running club after half term. Would be great to see the regular runners every Tuesday.

We are delighted to annouce that we have been awarded the School Games Gold Mark! Please watch out for the press release on Dojo.







Indya Tonkin was excited to show us the artcle she featured in this week. came 4th while dressed in pirate clothing!

Pirates Sailing Event **Events** put the emphasis on youthful talent





A huge thank-you to Alison Harris for all she has done for the school!

We will miss you!



THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Sports teaches you character, it teaches you to play by the rules, it teaches you to know what it feels like to win and lose - it teaches you about life.



Maple Class







This week we have been making the most of the good weather and have taken our learning outside. The big sandpit was opened for the first time and the children did really well working together to follow the rules. They even swept up the sand that was spilt! 'Healthy Movers', singing, subtraction and innovating Jack and the Beanstalk was also much of our focus! What a busy last week!

Rowan Class



This week we have spent a great deal of time outdoors. We have used alliteration to create our own poems. We finished our class novel 'Pippi Longstocking' and as a reward for earning 6000 Dojos we watched the film. We talked about our feelings and who to talk to. We also enjoyed planting seeds in science.







Sycamore Class



This week we have enjoyed the beautiful sunshine by taking lots of our learning outside. We finished reading our fantastic class novel, 'The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane' and have written reviews of our favourite parts and characters. We also conducted a science experiment about forces. We rounded off the week and the half term with a visit to 'The Writer's Block' in Redruth to watch a theatre production called 'Katie's Black Hole Adventure' which was all about space, science and Cornwall! It was a really funny show!



Oak Class



This week we have been writing our persuasive adverts, in English, persuading children within school, to read our favourite 20 reads books. We have then been using these as scripts, to film our adverts in the hope that children will be able to watch and decide which books to read first! In science, we have been creating fact files on endangered animals around the world, recognising the natural and human causes for their decline and also, what we can do to help. We have also begun our final mountain collages.

Cherry Class



This week we have started our Enterprise topic where the children set up and run our their own businesses. We have been very busy coming up with ideas for products to be sold at our selling event later in the term. We then developed market research questionnaires to test the market and will analyse these to help us with our final decisions.



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

PLEASE NOTE ALL CLUBS INCLUDING BREAKFAST CLUB MUST NOW BE BOOKED IN ADVANCE ON PARENT PAY.

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





REMINDERS **INSET DAY ON MONDAY 5TH JUNE**

WAKE AND SHAKE ONLY FOR THOSE JOINING IN, NOT AS AN EARLY DROP OFF OPTION PLEASE

NEW LIBRARY TIMES BEFORE SCHOOL AT 8.15AM: Y3,4,5,6 WEDS AND THURS THEN AFTER SCHOOL ON **TUESDAYS FOR YR, 1 AND 2**



Attendance

This week's attendance is as follows: Maple Class - 94.7% Rowan Class - 93.3% Svcamore Class - 92.7%

Cherry Class - 90.4% 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 on Fridays for Oak (wear PE kit)

FREE session with HOI Greenfield Gardens Portreath Sunday May 28th 2-4.30pm (inside Millennium Hall if raining) WE ARE CLOSED ON SAT 27 MAY & SAT 3 JUNE Give your child a helping hand HALF TERM HOLIDAYS TUES 30 MAY-FRI 2 JUNE 11AM - 4PM Bigger Half FREE LUNCHTIME MEAL Please bring your own water/drinks bottle www.biggerhalf.co.uk Children must be registered and NEW USERS must attend an induction visit which can be Online tuition from qualifed teachers booked at ger@gwealantops.org

Citizens Advice Drop-In Centres: Tuesday: Camborne - 9.30 - 11am Opposite the Library, in Camborne Centre Monday: Truro - 9.30 - 12pm Top floor of library (with access) $\cap r$ Phone: 0800 144 8848

Or Webchat: visit citizensadvise.org.uk and search Webchst Or Text the word ADVICE to 78866 and they'll call you within 10 working days.

Check out their Website where there is a range of information available.

DATES

27th June - Provisional Sports Daymorning followed by family picnicsdetails to follow 28th June - Year 5 Surf Dav 5-7th July - Year 4 Camp 13th July - Open Class 2:55-3:15pm

TERM DATES Half Term - w/c 29th May Last Day Summer Term - 25th July

> **INSET DAYS** 5th June 2023

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.

TUITION ON YOUR TERMS

info@biggerhalf.co.uk