

NEWSLETTER

Happy new year everyone! I hope you had a fabulous Christmas break. The children have settled back into school and are working hard. On our return, we thought about new year's resolutions. We spoke about starting something new or having time to reflect and make slight changes for the better.

This week the children were introduced to our fantastic new biographies. One of our aims is for everyone to make a positive difference to the world. We hope these books act as inspiration to them. They have enjoyed reading them on the sofa in our reception area and borrowing them to take home. Hopefully you received the letter this week about reading with our new updated '20 reads' book lists. Please encourage your child to read these. If any of them are tricky for your children, remember you can read them to them. Sharing a book is one of life's great pleasures.

This week we have introduced this half term's composer, Mozart. The children watched a little film about him and have enjoyed listening to his music in assemblies. We watched animations by Line Rider on Youtube which uses Mozart's music. The children loved watching these and many have asked me to share the name 'Line Rider' with you so that you can look it up for more animations at home. He creates a range of animation to classical music. As always, do monitor what your children are watching on Youtube, and be aware of adverts and pop-ups. We also introduced our artist, Picasso and read about him in today's assembly.

Today our gymnastic team represented our school at the Crofty Gymnastic Competition. We are delighted to announce that they were the overall winners of the competition and are off to the final. They have been practising hard with Mrs Doble and believed in themselves. This is a great illustration of having a growth mindset.

Thanks to Karen, from Chartwells, who met with the school council this week. They discussed the menu, food waste and their ideas for the future.

Cassie Pamplin

CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE



Maple Class: Reef - For always being ready to work with a smile.

Rowan Class: Is - For always having a great attitude to learning and for being a pleasure to teach.

Sycamore Class: Jake - For being a happy and ready learner.

Oak Class: Frankie - Being be organised and proactive in her learning.

Cherry Class: Elle - For having a great growth mindset and for always being ready to challenge herself.

STAR WRITERS



Maple Class: Jonathan

Rowan Class: Jaygo

Sycamore Class: Maximus

Oak Class: Kenzie

Cherry Class: Heidi

SPORTS STAR



This week's
 Sports
 Stars are:
 Kara-Lily &
 Lianna

VALUE CHAMPIONS



Maple Class: Ivy

Rowan Class: Skye

Sycamore Class: George

Oak Class: Gladys

Cherry Class: Lianna



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THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Safeguarding/Health and Safety
Please remember to phone in and let us know if your child is unwell and not able to attend school. It is fine to leave a message on the answerphone to report absence. We can then phone you back.

A few children still only have 2 contacts on our SIMS system. Please give us a 3rd contact if possible.

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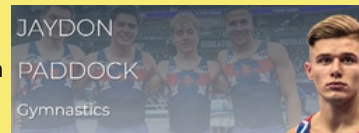


House Winner this Week is: Forbidden Forest

PE News

Sports for Champions - Meet the Athlete

Spare sponsor forms are in the school office. If using the QR code to donate through Crowdfunder please reference the child's surname so I can link the donation to the correct child. Alternatively, write the amount onto the hard copy sponsor form with details indicating money has been donated via QR code. All sponsor money collected must be returned to the school office by Friday 19th January prior to the event on Wednesday 24th January. Many thanks for all your support.



Netball Club

Thanks to the continues support for parents – Katie Tonkin and Sophie Orme – netball will continue this term starting on Friday 3.30-4.30pm. Look forward to seeing all the regular faces next week.

Crofty Gymnastics Competition

A team of 8 children travelled to Gazelles Gymnastics Club today to attend the Crofty Key Steps Gymnastics Competition. This team consisted of 4 gym club members and 4 non-club gymnasts. Our gymnasts have been dedicated and committed to perfecting their routines through extra sessions and did both themselves and the school very proud as they all performed a floor, body management and vault routine from memory in front of the judges. The event was a highly successful one for Team Portreath as we came away with 13 Gold medals, 1 silver, 1 bronze and a trophy for overall winning school! What a phenomenal success! Big thank you to Katie Tonkin for all her help doing hair and supporting all the gymnasts.



School Council

The children met with Karen from Chartwells to discuss waste food.



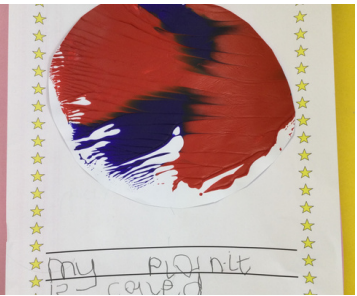
Biographies

The children are able to read the new biographies in school & can also borrow them to take home.



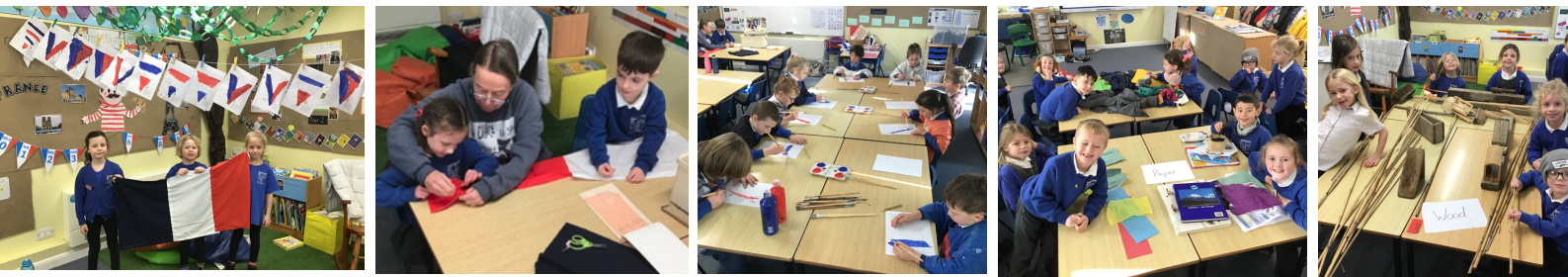
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Maple Class



This week we have started our topic on space. We have used acrylic paint to create our own planets then used our first name and a pet name to create the name of the planet. The Year 1 children then wrote about what it would be like to live there.

Rowan Class



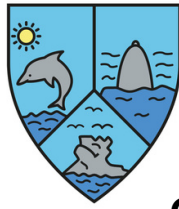
This week we have launched our topic about France. We were lucky enough to have Mrs Platt in our class on Thursday to introduce the children to sewing; the children and Mrs Platt created a wonderful French flag, In Science we have been looking at materials, the children thoroughly enjoyed becoming material munchers and hunting for various materials in our classroom and outdoor area. In English we have continued to use Grammarsaurus to expand our grammar knowledge.



Sycamore Class



This week we have had fun starting all of our new learning for this half term. We are loving immersing ourselves into the Amazon Rainforest as part of Geography and are writing rainforest setting descriptions in English. We explored what makes something alive, dead or never alive in Science as part of our new Living Things and Their Habitats topic. We are also enjoying reading our new class novel, Charlotte's Web.



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Oak Class



This week we have launched into our new topics! In Geography, we have been looking at the Water Cycle and were amazed at the fact that we're drinking the same water that the dinosaurs would have! In Writing, we have been comparing and looking for features of an explanation text. In Science, we've been learning about the three states of matter; solids liquids and gases and sorting household objects into these three categories. We then made a prediction about what would happen if you mixed vinegar with bicarbonate of soda!



Cherry Class



This week we have started our new topics in history and science, the Mayan civilisation and materials and their properties. We were amazed to find out that the Mayan civilisation lasted for over 3000 years. In science we acted out how particles in solids, liquids and gases behave and how materials change state.



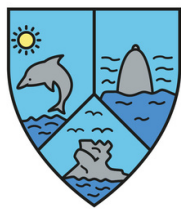
AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

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

Breakfast by 9pm night before and After School Club by midday on the day.

Maths Whizz Club (free) Tuesday's and Wednesday's until 4:20pm

Monday	Mindfulness Monday (calm activities) Miss Cafe & Mrs Barnes
Tuesday	Chirpy Tuesday (active movers) Miss Cafe & Mrs Barnes Maths Whizz (free until 4:20pm)
Wednesday	Wacky Wednesday (inside/outside) Mrs Barnes & Mrs Rosser Maths Whizz (free until 4:20pm)
Thursday	Thoughtful Thursday (writing & crafts) Mrs Barnes & Mrs Rosser
Friday	Funky Friday (dancing & painting) - Mrs Barnes



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REMINDERS

PLEASE NOTE FOR SAFETY REASONS CHILDREN MUST NOT RIDE THEIR SCOOTERS OR BIKES INSIDE THE SCHOOL GROUNDS.

Attendance

This week's attendance is as follows:

- Maple Class - 98.1%
- Rowan Class - 99.3%
- Sycamore Class - 96.9%
- Oak Class - 98.4%
- Cherry Class - 98.1%

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

PE DAYS

- Monday - Rowan
- Tuesday - Sycamore
- Thursday - Cherry
- Thursday - Maple
- Friday - Oak

Outdoor Learning on Fridays for Rowan

DATES

- 7th Feb - Open class 3:10-3:30pm
- w/c 5th Feb - Parent consultations
- 26th Mar - Open class 3:10-3:30pm
- 17-19th April - Yr 4 Residential Camp
- 13th May - KS2 SATS week
- 17th May - Open class 3:10-3:30pm
- 10th June - Sports Day
- 13th June - back up Sports Day
- 17-19th June - Yr 5 & 6 Residential Camp
- 1st July - Yr 5 Surf Day
- 17th July - Open class 3:10-3:30pm

INSET DAYS

- 19th February 2024
- 24th July 2024

TERM DATES

- First Day Spring Term - 4th January 2024
- Half Term - w/c 12th February
- Last Day of Spring Term - 28th March
- First Day Summer Term - 15th April
- Bank Holiday - 6th May
- Half Term - w/c 27th May
- Last Day Summer Term - 23rd July

Community News

PIZZA THE ACTION

Thursday 18th January
pick a slice of your favourite

- Cheese & Tomato
- BBQ Chicken
- Veggie Supreme

SIDES

- Potato Wedges
- Salad

DESSERT

- Vanilla or Chocolate Ice-Cream

Menus may be subject to change

GWEALAN TOPS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

2024

Starting Tues 16 Jan
Cubs in the Wild for parents/carers & under 6s
Tuesday morning
Contact donna@gwealantops.org to book

Starting Thurs 11 Jan
Dance Club Thursdays
Contact kerry@gwealantops.org to book

Starting Wed 10 Jan
FREE Community Family Meals Wednesdays 4.30-6pm
Contact deborah@gwealantops.org to book

Starting Fri 12 Jan Youth Club
Free for 13s & overs
Just drop in Fridays, 5.30-7pm

Feb Half Term
Mon 12 - Fri 16 Feb
Details to follow

Opening Times
TUES 9 JAN - THUR 28 MAR

Term time free drop in adventure play sessions for 7-16 year olds
Tuesday to Friday 3.15-5.30pm and Saturday 12-4pm

ALL children must be registered
NEW USERS need to arrange an induction session
See www.gwealantops.org for more info

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GWEALAN TOPS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

WEDNESDAYS FROM 4.30-6PM
FOOD SERVED @ 5PM

Free TEATIME COMMUNITY MEALS

A WARM WELCOME, WITH HOT TASTY FOOD AND GREAT COMPANY!
NO REFERRAL OR VOUCHER NEEDED
ALL DIETS CATERED FOR

Menus for this term:

- 10 Jan - Jacket Potatoes
- 17 Jan - Pasta and Meatballs/VeggieBalls
- 24 Jan - Curry and Rice
- 31 Jan - Sausage/Veggie Sausage & Mash
- 7 Feb - Sweet & Sour Chicken with Stir Fry Veg

Please let us know if you'd like to come - email deborah@gwealantops.org

GWEALAN TOPS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND SCHOOL LANE REDRUTH TR15 2ER

Also available Jacket Potato & Tomato Pasta



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