

NEWSLETTER

I am beyond proud to announce that the school has received a national sports award this week. Mrs Doble and Miss Cafe went to Telford to receive the 'Highly Commended in the **Outstanding Early Years Practice**' award at the Youth Sport Trust 2024 Conference Awards. There were 120 nominations in total from across the country and we came 2nd place to a Trust in Bedfordshire. I am delighted that our small school in Cornwall has achieved this. This award recognises the passion and dedication of Mrs Doble, Miss Cafe, Mrs Forsdick, Mrs Barnes and Mrs Rosser who are helping ensure a healthy start for children in the early years. Please take a look at the press release:

[Celebrating outstanding local schools – Active Cornwall](#)

This Thursday we celebrated World Down Syndrome Day. One of the ways to advocate the day is by wearing our brightest and boldest socks! Which we did, with style! The focus this year was 'End the Stereotypes'. We had an assembly all about people making assumptions about other people, including those with Down Syndrome. Everyone is unique and different, including people who have Down Syndrome.

Thanks to Dr Hobson for coming in to work with Sycamore Class to help them with their learning about oceans and sealife. The class also enjoyed a beach clean this afternoon. Having specialists in and getting out and about is so important to bring subjects and topics alive!

I cannot believe we are nearly at Easter! As we finish on Thursday next week, there will not be a newsletter, so I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy Easter. I hope you all have a wonderful break.

Cassie Pamplin

CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE



Maple Class: Alfie - For working so hard on his phonics and applying this to his reading.

Rowan Class: Harry - For amazing progress in his reading.

Sycamore Class: Taylor - For being a happy, polite and hard-working learner.

Oak Class: Isla.H - For working so hard in her history lesson.

Cherry Class: Lianna - For having an outstanding attitude to learning.

SPORTS STAR



This week's Sports Star is: Olivia.P

STAR WRITERS



Maple Class: Reef

Rowan Class: Vinnie

Sycamore Class: Joel

Oak Class: Harry G

Cherry Class: Jowan

VALUE CHAMPIONS



Maple Class: Matthew

Rowan Class: Seb

Sycamore Class: India

Oak Class: Harry.M

Cherry Class: Dayna
Apologies- the photo did not save- we will send the newsletter out again next week with a photo.



Portreath Primary School

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Being an Olympic runner and now a mommy, it is so important to me to help my children learn early on how to be active and stay healthy.

Carrie Tollefson

Safeguarding/Health and Safety

Media and technology are at the centre of kids' lives every day. From a very young age, kids use technology at home and at school to connect with friends and family and to document their lives and create digital content of their own. With more and more of life happening online, what catches kids' attention isn't always what's best for them, and what companies do with their personal information isn't always clear. Common Sense Media is the leading source of entertainment and technology recommendations for families. If you are not sure if a film or game is suitable, take a look at the website. It gives recommended ages and summaries of games to help you make informed decisions. <https://www.commonsensemedia.org/>

House Winner this Week is: 100 Acre Wood

PE News

Crofty Swimming Gala

Last Friday a team of talented pupils showcased their aquatic skills in the Crofty Swimming Gala at Carn Brea Leisure Centre.

After an intense afternoon of races and spirited performances, we are thrilled to announce Portreath were the overall champions, taking home 6 golds, 4 silvers and 2 bronze medals in the individual races.

Congratulations to all the swimmers and a big thank you to Lizzie Gerrish for her enthusiasm as Team Manager - her support and guidance were invaluable.



Football Match

On Thursday, 11 boys from Year 4, 5 and 6 travelled to Rosemellin School for a friendly football game. The players showed excellent teamwork and communication throughout the game. Huge well done to ALL, for playing out of position and displaying great sportsmanship and fair play. The game ended on a 1-1 draw.

A BIG thank you to Josh Hoon who kindly stepped in last minute to referee the game and offer coaching support to both team.



Our Moki hero is Charlie.H

National Winners

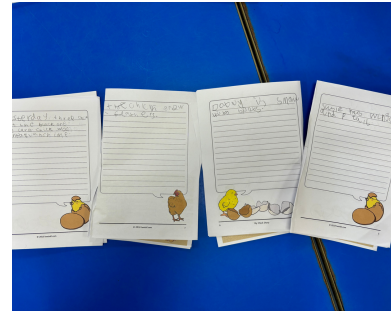
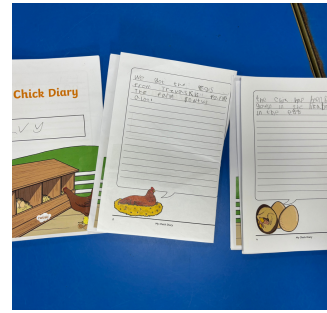
Portreath Primary School was highly commended in the Outstanding Early Years Practice award category at the Youth Sport Trust 2024 Conference Awards, sponsored by Sports Directory and The LEGO Group. What an incredible achievement!





Portreath Primary School

Maple Class



This week we have been 'looking closely' at how much the chicks have grown. Considering it has only been a week we have all been surprised at the changes. One now has proper little wings and tail feathers and the other two have started but are not as advanced. The children think this may be down to one being a boy and the other two female. We have been keeping diaries to remind ourselves of this wonderful topic.

Rowan Class



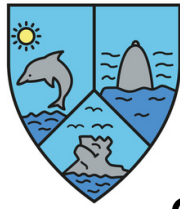
This week in Rowan we have enjoyed learning more about plants. We have begun an experiment to determine what a plant needs in order to grow- and have so enjoyed planting in our raised beds 😊 In IT we have continued creating algorithms in Scratch Junior and in English we have begun looking at the features of a diary.



Sycamore Class



This week we have been making the most of our local environment! We loved our final Outdoor Learning session with Miss Rundle and had a fab time roasting marshmallows on the fire. On Thursday we were lucky enough to have Dr Hobson (Clara's Mum) in for a brilliantly informative talk all about rockpools. This afternoon we had a great time down at Portreath beach with our grown ups from home, doing a beach clean and hunting for features of the coast.



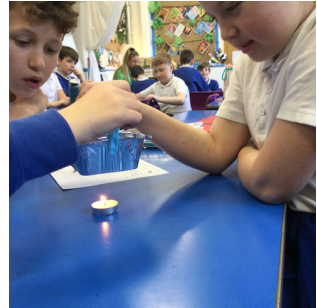
Portreath

Primary School

Oak Class



In Oak, this week, we have been continuing writing our quest stories, based on our class text 'The Explorer'. We have been enjoying immersing ourselves in our writing; describing the rainforest, imagining how to find food and water. In We have been learning about the Indus Valley, and have compared it to the British Bronze age. In science, we have been observing what happens to different solutions when they are heated up and thinking about whether this is a reversible or irreversible change in state.



Cherry Class



This week we have been focusing on D.T in Cherry Class. Our task is to make scones which can be eaten by anyone in the class. We enjoyed tasting and evaluating different shop bought scones and then designing our own dairy free scones. We are looking forward to making them next week.

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 9am 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



Portreath Primary School

REMINDERS

DON'T FORGET PARENT CONSULTATIONS NEXT WEEK.

THERE WILL BE NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB ON 28TH MARCH

Attendance

This week's attendance is as follows:

Maple Class - 94.6%

Rowan Class - 92.8%

Sycamore Class - 96.2%

Oak Class - 90.6%

Cherry Class - 90.3%

Whole school attendance for the year is currently is : 94.6%

PE DAYS

Monday - Oak

Tuesday - Sycamore

Thursday - Cherry

Thursday - Maple

Friday - Rowan

Outdoor Learning on

Fridays for Sycamore

DATES

- 17-19th April - Yr 4 Residential Camp
- 8th May - Class Photographs
- 13th May - KS2 SATS week
- 17th May - Open class 2:50-3:15pm
- 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 2:50-3:15pm

INSET DAYS

24th July 2024

TERM DATES

- 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

PTA Announcement

Would any parents be interested in organising a School uniform collection and swap, possibly collecting donations to raise funds for the school?

TIME2MOVE
Holiday Programme

EASTER 2024

- Activities including multi sports, forest schools, circus skills, water sports and lots more - for children aged 5 to 16
- Every session includes a healthy meal for all children
- Funded places for ALL children eligible for benefits related free school meals

Activities are taking place across Cornwall during the Easter holidays, from April 2nd - 12th

Scan here to book!

www.activecornwall.org/T2MHolidayProgramme/
Time2Move.HolidayProgramme@cornwall.gov.uk
01872 324287



Have YOU ever wondered...

How To Catch A BOOKWITCH?

COPPICE THEATRE

When: Friday 5 April 11am or 2pm

Where: The Writers' Block
The Ladder
2-4 Clinton Road
Redruth, TR15 2QE

To book: £6 - booking essential
www.thewritersblock.org.uk/events

An open hearted show aimed at children aged 3+. Exploring the importance of libraries, sharing stories and not judging people. The show features live music, puppetry and storytelling.

Created with accessibility at its core this show included key word signing, captions and integrated audio description.



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.