



NEWSLETTER

This afternoon I enjoyed my walk to the postbox with Maple Class. We were posting postcards to children at King's College Prep School in Cambridge. They sent us some postcards last week. We use so much technology, letters and postcards are sent less and less, yet there is such a great feeling when you receive a personal letter by post. Encourage your children to send a letter or postcard to a friend or relative (even if they do not live that far away!)

Last week PC Phil Rees, from Devon and Cornwall Police came in for 4 mornings to run the 'Mini Police' project with all our Year 5 children. They completed a variety of activities linked to things such as peer pressure, online safety and community engagement. The aim of the project was for children to build positive relationships with local police and develop their understanding of what they do. The project increased their awareness of social responsibility and built self-esteem. Hopefully it has helped them to understand that they can get help and advice from the police at any time. A huge thanks to Phil for working with us and we look forward to working with him again next year.

Thanks to Sam, our piano teacher, who led an assembly this week. His students had the opportunity to play to an audience and should all feel proud of themselves for being brave. The children also got to listen to Sam play and he impressed them with a variety of tunes! I am always delighted when children get the opportunity to listen to live music. If we have any parents or grandparents who would like to perform to the children please get in touch with Miss Baseley, who leads music at the school.

Next week the Year 6 children will be sitting their End of Key Stage 2 tests (SATs). The children and staff have worked so hard, and I wish them the best of luck. The tests are important, and we want the children to do their very best. However, I would like to remind the children that SATs only test a small part of what school is all about and we are proud of all they are, and all they achieve. All we can ask is that they try their very best! I am sure they will do themselves proud. The staff work hard to keep the test situation as relaxed as possible, as we do not want them to feel anxious. As we know, anxiety stops the brain functioning at its best. My best advice for parents is to remind your child how fantastic they are, be positive with your child about the tests, and make sure they get plenty of sleep!

Cassie Pamplin

CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE



Maple Class: Orla - For approaching everything with a fantastic attitude and a smile.

Rowan Class: Connor - For a brilliantly enthusiastic attitude towards his learning.

Sycamore Class: Soren - For trying really hard to be a calm and sensible learner.

Oak Class: Lowen.W - For working really hard in all subjects and showing great determination.

Cherry Class: Isla - For always working really hard and taking learning points on well.

SPORTS STAR



This week's Sports Stars are:
Arina and Matthew

STAR WRITERS



Maple Class: Archie

Rowan Class: Lochie

Sycamore Class: Taylor

Oak Class: Grover

Cherry Class: Logan & Elliot

VALUE CHAMPIONS



Maple Class: Jonathan

Rowan Class: Alfie

Sycamore Class: Sophie

Oak Class: Eddie

Cherry Class: Harriet



Safeguarding/Health and Safety

If you ever have any concerns about a child or a member of staff please report them to:

The Designated Safeguarding Lead:
Cassie Pamplin, headteacher

The Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead:
Lucie Clarke, assistant head

The safeguarding governor is: Matt Leech



**NEVER KEEP CONCERNS
ABOUT CHILDREN'S SAFETY
TO YOURSELF**

**BE THE
BEST
VERSION
OF** *you*
DO THE BEST YOU CAN

House Winner this Week is: 100 Acre Wood

PE News

Kinball Festival

Last Friday, a group of children who have been taking part in the weekly kinball club, had the opportunity to try out the sport at the Crofty Kinball Festival at Pool Academy. Kinball, is a team sport where 3 teams of 4 players compete to keep an enormous ball off the floor. The children had a fabulous time playing fun games against some of the other Crofty schools and confidently demonstrated their skills and understanding of the game. Huge thank you to Katie Tonkin for her help and support with the children and for joining in too!!



Quadkid Athletics Trials

Calling any Year 3 and 4 children who are interested in trialling out for this years Quadkids. Trials will take place on Wednesday lunchtime on the school field. If you are interested, please see Mrs. Doble.

Lunchtime Football

Please bring in spare footwear so this can take place on the field.
Monday – Girls only
Tuesday – KS1
Thursday – KS2
Friday – Boys only



**Piano Assembly
This Week**



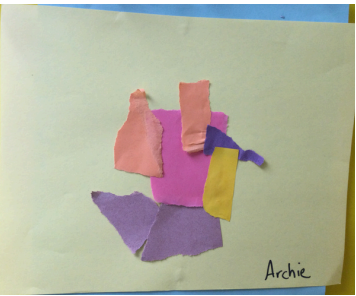
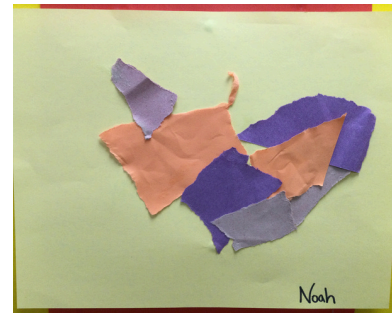
**Police Sessions
with Year 5**





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Maple Class



This week we have been looking at the Artist Henri Matisse. We have had ago at recreating 'The Snail'. We all found it tricky not to actually make our collage look exactly like a snail, but we are happy with our outcomes! We were also surprised to see our grass heads growing already too!

Rowan Class



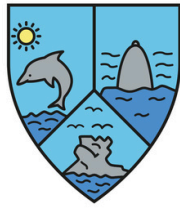
We have enjoyed our learning this week in Rowan. In IT with have continued to learn about the importance of data information and looked at how items can be grouped. In science we looked for signs of spring and created our own memory sticks. In English we are using alliteration to create Cornish poems.



Sycamore Class

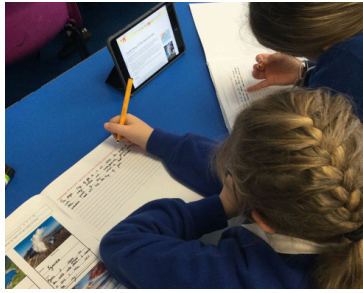
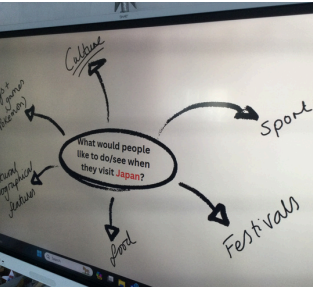


On Monday we continued to develop our drawing skills in art by creating portraits of Humphry Davy. On Wednesday we thought about wellbeing strategies and enjoyed a fantastic yoga session with Miss Rundle in the sunshine. In science we conducted a fun investigation using eggs, water and glass jars to show how our bodies protect our vital organs. We also wrote the final, polished versions of our explanation text about Davy's safety lamp, which we are really proud of!

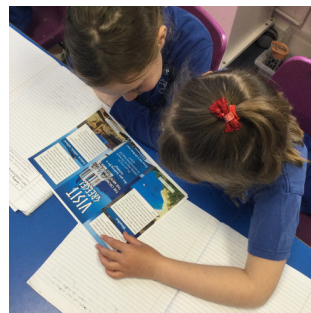


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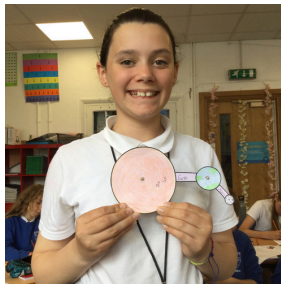
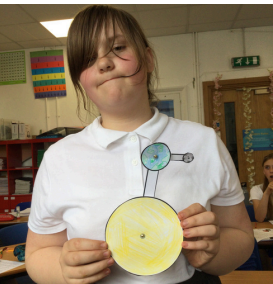
Oak Class



This week we have been learning all about persuasive tourist information leaflets and now I think we all want to book a holiday to Greece! However, we will be creating ours on visiting Japan – so the children have been having fun researching the different areas of interest. In geography, we have been looking at the physical features in each of Japan's main four islands and then also – they started to look at the 'ring of fire'!



Cherry Class



We had a great science lesson learning about the orbits and rotations of the Moon, Earth and Sun – we made models which helped us in our explanation. In English we planned, and started to write, our balanced argument about whether space exploration is beneficial to humankind or not.

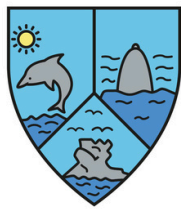
AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

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



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REMINDERS

**PTA MEETING
WEDNESDAY 15TH MAY
AT 3.30PM AT SCHOOL-
ALL WELCOME!**

ALWAYS BRUSH YOUR TEETH
TWICE A DAY!

Attendance

This week's attendance is as follows:

- Maple Class - 97.1%
- Rowan Class - 94.2%
- Sycamore Class - 97.7%
- Oak Class - 100%
- Cherry Class - 96.8%

Whole school attendance
for the year is currently is : 94.8%

PE DAYS

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

Outdoor Learning
Cherry 17th May

DATES

- 13th May - KS2 SATS week
- 14th May - Maple Newquay Zoo trip
- 17th May - Open class 2:50-3:15pm
- 20th-24th May - Walk to school week
- 3rd June - Cherry King Edward Mine trip
- 6th June - Space Odyssey day
- 10th June - Sports Day
- 13th June - back up Sports Day
- 17-19th June - Yr 5 & 6 Residential Camp
- 17th-21st June - Scholastic Book Fair
- 1st July - Yr 5 Surf Day
- 17th July - Open class 2:50-3:15pm
- 18th July - Colour run
- 22nd July - Leavers Assembly

INSET DAYS

24th July 2024

TERM DATES

- Half Term - w/c 27th May
- Last Day Summer Term - 23rd July

PTA NEWS

On Tuesday 19th March our school PTA held an Annual General Meeting. Unfortunately, the business of the meeting was postponed due to the low numbers attending.

The 2024 AGM will now be held on Wednesday 15th May. Please come along and support this charity by receiving the annual report and accounts. Your attendance will make a big difference and enable the group to keep benefiting our school community throughout the summer term and into 2025.

Community News

A huge congratulations to the young pianists who performed in the piano assembly on Thursday 9th. They absolutely deserve the big rounds of applause for their talents, I was very impressed with how they played.

The audience also showed their musical talent in how well they played the games Name That Tune and Clap This Back.

If you're interested in signing up for piano lessons, drop me an email at ssender@cmst.co.uk to ask for more information. Although I'm full up on at the moment, if I get a long enough waiting list I might be able to come to Portreath for a second afternoon each week, which I'd be delighted to do.

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.