

# NEWSLETTER

Welcome back everyone and welcome to all our new parents and carers. What a wonderful start to the new year we have had! This week we launched our new curriculum and motto. Our new motto is: Be curious, creative and courageous to grow and make a difference. Our school logo remains the same and we have a new image to represent our motto and what our school is all about. Thank you for all the amazing photographs you have sent in of the children being curious, creative and courageous over the holidays. They will be on display in our entrance soon.

We are delighted to welcome Mr McCarthy, our new teacher, and Miss Thomas, our new TA. They have both had a great few first days and I know that are going to bring so much to the Portreath team. We are also delighted that Mrs Banks (formally Whitehead) has also joined the team once more!

The children have all settled well in their new classes and the school is buzzing with learning! They are displaying our school values. I have seen children being kind, empathetic and inclusive. Children have been honest if they have made mistakes and have shown gratitude and good manners around school. Instead of 'Value Champions', we are now going to give one child from each class, each week, a 'Portreath Leaf'. These will be given to children for being curious, creative, courageous or for displaying one of our 5 values.

Have a fantastic weekend!

**Cassie Pamplin** 



#### **CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE**

## **SPORTS STAR**



Maple Class: Cameron - For helping out without even being

Rowan Class: Teddy & Darcy - For a super first few days at Portreath!

Sycamore Class: Hugo - For an enthusiastic approach towards learning.

Birch Class: Andi - For being kind to everyone in the class! Oak Class: Barnaby - For being really enthusiastic and engaged in each activity!

Cherry Class: Nerissa - For having a really positive attitude to the start of term.



**MATHS WIZARD** 

New award starting next week!



#### STAR WRITERS



Bill Leo Eadie Taylor Bea Henry

## **PORTREATH LEAVES**



Leo E Arina Maddie Harry R Frankie Jowan



#### 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

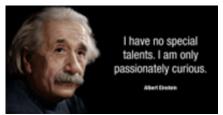
The Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Lucie Clarke, assistant head

The safeguarding governor is: Matt Leech



#### THOUGHTS OF THE WEEK





#### House Winner this Week is: coming next week

#### **PE News**

Cycle to School Week is back for 2024, supported by NatWest Rooster Money, and we want to get even more children pedalling this year.





#### **Skipping Workshop**

Thursday 26th Sept Whole school skipping workshop

Info to follow



#### **Lunchtime Football**

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

Tuesday – KS1 Thursday – KS2 Friday – Boys only















What a fabulous start! We have been getting to know each other and the classroom. We have had time to tell each other our names as well as our favourite colours. As we have had a wet lunch our Year 6 buddies came down to play with us in our classroom.

#### **Rowan Class**











We have had a lovely first week in Rowan class! The children enjoyed exploring their new classroom and have already been busy with some excellent Year 1 learning. We have started to sort and count objects in Maths, wrote all about our summer holidays and created some birthday cards to celebrate our classmates' special days over the course of the year.



#### **Sycamore Class**













We have had a brilliant start to the Autumn Term 😊

The children have reactivated their writing skills by practicing their pencil grip and looking at letter formation. They have all written about their summer holiday and loved chatting with their friends filling each other in on their gossip. We are lucky enough this year to again have Penny Platts every Thursday. This half term she will be creating a land and sea scape through weaving!



#### **Birch Class**











What an amazing first week Birch has had!

This week we have really enjoyed getting to know each other and sharing stories of our summer holidays. We finished our self-portraits with a pair of cool sunglasses. We have been busy in Maths, building on our learning of place value and partitioning. We challenged ourselves to find different ways to partition one number. Well done Birch! Finally, we finished this week thinking about our hopes and dreams for the future.



#### Oak Class













It has been such a lovely start to the year – the atmosphere in Oak has been really positive! Everyone has settled really well into the new routines. We are so proud already! We have begun 'place value' in maths, written and edited an independent setting description and started our new class text 'The Last Bear', of which we're really excited to read on!

#### **Cherry Class**











What a brilliant start to the term! This week we have moved into the new temporary Cherry Tree classroom and have had a great time getting to know each other and working together as a class. Workwise, we have produced some excellent maths work, writing and art.





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 Clubs by 9am on the day.

After School Clubs are now until 4:15pm or 5pm, there's a slight increase in costs.

Monday	Mindfulness with Miss Cafe Library/homework with Mrs Barnes
Tuesday	KS1 Multi Sport with Miss Cafe KS2 Multi Sport with Mrs Barnes
Wednesday	Craft Club with Mrs Barnes & Miss Cafe Maths Whizz (free until 4:15pm) with Mrs Kerslake
Thursday	Outdoor Rangers with Miss Cafe & Mrs Barnes Library/card games with Mrs Chiplin Netball yr5/6 - (high 5 version) with Mrs Jones & Mrs Whitford
Friday	Wraparound fun with Mrs Barnes Irish Dancing with Miss Noble

### **REMINDERS**

ALL CLUBS RUN UNTIL EITHER 4:15PM OR 5PM. MUST BE BOOKED ON PARENTPAY IN ADVANCE

#### **Attendance**

This week's attendance is as follows:

Cherry Class - 95.3%

Whole school attendance

for the year is currently is: 98.5%

**PE DAYS** 

Maple - Thursday

**Rowan - Tuesday** 

Sycamore - Tuesday

Birch - Thursday

Oak - Thursday

**Cherry - Monday** 

#### **DATES**

17th Sept - Individual Portrait Photographs

20th Sept - Jeans for Genes

23rd Sept - Cycle to school week

26th Sept - Skipping Workshop

22nd Nov - School Xmas Fair

#### **INSET DAYS**

14th October 2024

19th December 2024

20th December 2024

24th February 2025

4th April 2025

#### **TERM DATES**

Half Term - w/c 28th October 2024

Last Day Autumn Term - 18th December

First Day Spring Term - 6th January 2025

Half Term - w/c 17th February

Last Day of Spring Term - 3rd April

Bank Holiday - 21st April

First Day Summer Term - 22nd April

Bank Holiday - 5th May

Half Term - w/c 26th May

Last Day Summer Term - 22nd July

23rd july 2025



### **Community News**

formation Classification: CONTROLLS

# Early Help Drop-in Coffee & Chat Morning

#### You are invited to our Kerrier Coffee Morning

On Friday 13th September from 9.30am until 11.30am at Redruth Family Hub, Drump Road, Redruth, TR15 1NA Family Workers and Youth Workers available for advice and guidance along with Guest Speakers.

The Literacy Trust- for families to be supported with reading locally.

Cornwall Neighbourhoods for Change- support and advice on achieving your education, employment or personal development goals.

Parent Carers Cornwall -advice about the neurodevelopmental profiling tool

Healthy Cornwall -for all your general health advice Smarter Smiles — advice about your families' dental health

Community Energy Plus- helping households to enjoy more energy efficient homes.

Southwest Water -for tips on how to save water.

## For any further information please contact:

Email: Kerrier.FamilyHub@cornwall.gov.uk or ring Redruth Family Hub on 01209 310000









