

NEWSLETTER

Today we congratulated Dawn at lunchtime. Karen, from Chartwells, came in to give Dawn a special long service award. She has worked at Portreath for 25 years-how incredible! We are so lucky to have her!

This week Miss Tonkin delivered an assembly linked to design technology, a subject that she leads across the school. She talked about what DT is all about and some of the DT projects the classes will be carrying out this year. As part of this they also enjoyed learning about Eleanor Foraker and a team of women who helped to design and make the spacesuits that were worn for the moon landing.

Sam Sender also came into an assembly to perform a variety of pieces of music on the piano. He took the cover off the piano so we could see how the inside worked as he pressed the keys. The children loved playing 'guess that tune'. Eva and Frank were courageous and performed to the school. We were all very proud of them.

Yesterday was World Mental Health Day. Different classes did different things to mark this. Some of the classes attended live online events with different authors to celebrate. Today in assembly we reminded ourselves of the 5 ways to wellbeing. We also spoke about how our artist for this term, Van Gogh, struggled with mental illness. It is important for people to understand that mental health can impact people's lives just as physical health can.

Great news-on Wednesday our new build starts! We will keep you updated. Please note you cannot park in the car park for any reason, including in the entrance next to the stone wall as various deliveries will be happening so we need the area to be totally clear at all times.

I am sad to announce that at half term we will be saying farewell to our amazing PE Lead, Mrs Doble. She is off on a new adventure at Redruth School as their new Exam Access Arrangements Officer, which we know she will be brilliant at. We are going to miss her so much but we are excited for her! We will be advertising for a new sports coach, meanwhile, we have a plan in place to cover PE next half term.

Cassie Pamplin

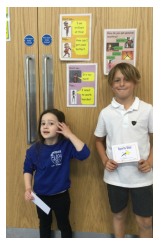
CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE



Maple Class: Perran - For being a hard working curious member of Maple class.
Rowan Class: Freddie - For super focus in Maths.
Sycamore Class: Bligh - For being a brilliant independent learner.
Birch Class: Harvey - For his amazing attitude this week.
Oak Class: Freddy - For working incredibly hard in all lessons
Cherry Class: Olivia - For great focus and super hard work.

SPORTS STARS

Lilly & Sam



STAR WRITERS



Ellie
Arina
Hugo
Jaygo
Reina
Genevieve

PORTREATH LEAVES



Esmae
James
Is
Alfie
Eva
Ellis

MATHS WIZARD

Bethan





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THOUGHTS OF THE WEEK

Safeguarding and Health and Safety

This week was World Mental Health Day. Here are some useful links:

<https://www.nhs.uk/every-mind-matters/supporting-others/childrens-mental-health/>
<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/child-health-development/child-mental-health>

If you are worried about your own or someone else's mental health call the Cornwall 24/7 NHS mental health response line on 0800 038 5300. It's free to access.



House Winner this Week is: Farthing Wood

PE News

Crofty Year 5/6 Girls Netball Tournament

Last Friday, Portreath's netball team participated in an exciting tournament at Pool Academy, coming home with gold medals and progressing to the Peninsula final! The event featured eight teams, and Portreath dominated the round robin stage, winning three matches convincingly to secure their place in the semi-finals.

The semi-final was a tense and challenging game, ending in a 2-2 draw at full time. Extra time saw Portreath score two more goals, securing their spot in the final against a tall and formidable Treloweth team.

In the final, Portreath fell behind 1-0 but quickly responded with two goals in rapid succession. Just before full time, Treloweth equalised, leaving the match tied at 2-2. As a result, both teams shared first place.

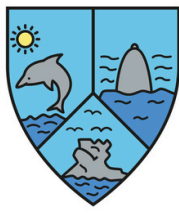
Throughout the tournament, the girls displayed excellent skill, teamwork, and sportsmanship, congratulating their opponents after each match. A special thanks goes to Mrs. Whitford for her enthusiastic coaching from the sidelines, as well as Annette Ball for her valuable assistance. Well done to the whole team for making their school proud!



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

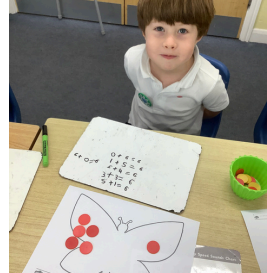


Portreath Primary School Maple Class



This week the children have been putting all their sound knowledge together in various reading and writing activities. You can see from their faces just how proud they were at being able to do these activities all by themselves! Hunting out pictures, Fred talking and then writing the words on paper and making words with magnetic letters was also a lot of fun!

Rowan Class



This week we have been working SO hard in English. We are writing letters in character, as Mowzer from 'The Mousehole Cat', to our kittens to tell them all about our adventure at sea. In science we had fun classifying and sorting our cuddly animals from home. We have also been smashing our maths, where we have started to learn about addition.



Sycamore Class

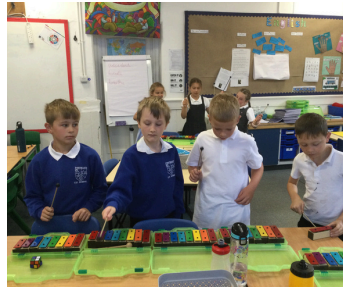
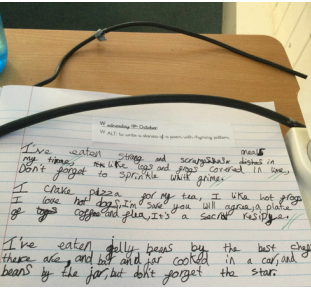


This week in geography we have been learning about the different ways people use and enjoy the oceans. We talked about fishing, ferries and beaches and thought about ways we can help look after our seas. In English we have begun to read 'The Squirrels who Squabbled' and have created our own plans based around this story. In maths we have reactivated our no. bonds to 10 knowledge and we are now looking at fact families using bonds within 20.

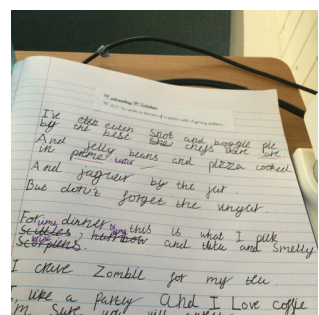


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Birch Class



We have continued on our journey to creating musical masterpieces this week with Mrs Barnes. We focused on playing in time and together. In English, we have had great fun in creating disgustingly brilliant poems based on 'The Centipede Song' from James and the Giant Peach. We are glad Dawn doesn't serve meals like the ones in our poems. In science, we have been motivated to create posters detailing why we need to stop deforestation and the impact on the world. Charlie had the great idea of displaying them in the village so keep your eyes peeled.

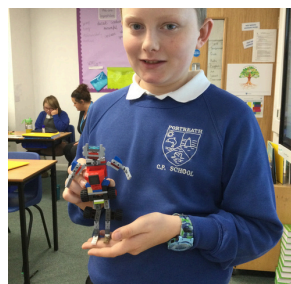


Oak Class



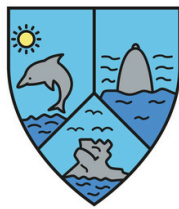
This week in Oak we have begun our learning about non-chronological reports. We have conducted research on our topic of polar bears in the Arctic, gathered technical vocabulary and written interesting sentences. In science we have been researching endangered animals. In PE we have been practicing invasion games.

Cherry Class



This week we finished writing and publishing our marine rescue stories in English, they are really amazing and we are so proud of them. In science we started to learn about microorganisms and have planned and set up our own investigations to observe how mould grows in different environments. Our art lesson focused on using our sketch books to experiment with drawing different creatures found around the coast of Cornwall.





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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 Kerlake
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

PLEASE DON'T FORGET THE SCHOOL IS CLOSED ON MONDAY 14TH OCTOBER.

PARKING WILL BE LIMITED AFTER WEDS 16TH FOR STAFF - PLEASE BEAR WITH US DURING THE NEW CLASSROOM BUILDING.

Attendance

This week's attendance is as follows:

Maple Class - 97.9%

Rowan Class - 94.9%

Sycamore Class - 98.3%

Birch Class - 93.9%

Oak Class - 94.5%

Cherry Class - 98.6%

Whole school attendance for the year is currently is : 97.9%

PE DAYS

Maple - Thursday

Rowan - Tuesday

Sycamore - Tuesday

Birch - Thursday

Oak - Thursday

Cherry - Monday

DATES

25th Oct - Deadline Xmas IQ Card orders returned

22nd Nov - School Christmas Fair

11th Dec - Maple Nativity 9:30am & 2pm

12th Dec - Hall for Cornwall 'Jack & the beanstalk'

13th Dec - Christmas Lunch & Jumper Day

5th Dec - Open Class 2:50-3:20pm

16th Dec - Rowan & Sycamore Xmas show 2pm & 6pm

17th Dec - Christmas carol service 6pm

11th Feb - Open Class 2:50-3:20pm

31st Mar - Open Class 2:50-3:20pm

21 May - Open Class 2:50-3:20pm

9th Jun - Sports Day morning & lunch

17th Jul - Open Class 2:50-3:20pm

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

INSET DAYS

14th October 2024

19th December 2024

20th December 2024

24th February 2025

4th April 2025

23rd July 2025



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Assembly News

A huge congratulations to the young pianists who played beautifully in the piano assembly on Thursday 10th. Their pieces were part of the game "Name That Tune", and the audience were quick to put their hands up and guess their tunes correctly: the Harry Potter theme, Happy Birthday and Old MacDonald. Three rock solid performances, well done! The audience were amazing too, showing their musical knowledge and winning lots of music stickers.

If you're interested in signing up for piano lessons, email me at ssender@cmst.co.uk and I can give you more information.

Many thanks,
Sam Sender

Piano teacher | Cornwall Music Service Trust



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