

# NEWSLETTER

Congratulations to our netball team who came 1st in the Crofty tournament this afternoon! This is amazing! Huge thanks to Mrs Whitford and Mrs Jones for running our netball club and training the team. They were delighted to show off their medals!

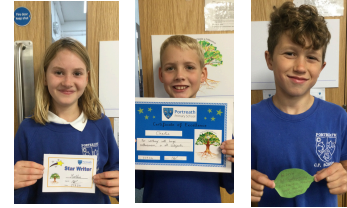
Thanks to all those parents who attended our Maths Whizz information session with Andy on Monday. He said that he is able to send a recording of an information session to us, to share with those who could not attend. We will send this out when we receive it. Today we had our first Maths Whizz Wizard winner. Well done to Lowen W who made 10 progressions in a week! This was due to her hard work and focus. She got to choose a prize and her name will go onto the trophy for the week in the entrance area. I wonder who will win it next week?

This week Mr McCarthy led an assembly to introduce 'Black History Month'. He showed the children a range of books that celebrate different people throughout history who are black. The classes are going to be looking at these throughout October. In the UK, Black History Month happens every October. It gives everyone the opportunity to share, celebrate and understand the impact of black heritage and culture. People from African and Caribbean backgrounds have been a fundamental part of British history for centuries. However, in the past their contribution to society has often been overlooked or distorted.

Today in assembly, we learnt about Richard Wagner inventing the 'leitmotif'. This is a recurrent sound or melody linked to a particular character. He used them in his operas. People still do this in films today, especially John Williams. For example, 'The Imperial March' from Star Wars, tells audiences that Darth Vader is about to make an appearance. The shark leitmotif in Jaws, suggests imminent danger. Perhaps when you are next watching a film you can listen out for a leitmotif that represents a character.

**Cassie Pamplin**

Some of last week certificate winners.



## CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE

## SPORTS STAR



**Maple Class:** Daniel - For being an absolute pleasure to have in class.

**Rowan Class:** Noah - For being a smiley, confident learner.

**Sycamore Class:** Elsa - For always working hard in all she does.

**Birch Class:** Joel - For being a maths wizard and demonstrating amazing skills!

**Oak Class:** Izzy - For always working so hard, in all lessons.

**Cherry Class:** Daisy - For always challenging herself to be the best learner she can be.

Ernie



## STAR WRITERS

## PORTREATH LEAVES

## MATHS WIZARD



Leo.E  
George  
Madison  
Frank.S  
Esme  
Amelie



Rudy  
Lilli  
Jessamy  
Albie  
Lowen  
Genevieve

Lowen.W





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## THOUGHTS OF THE WEEK



### Safeguarding and Health and Safety

Headstart Kernow - Supporting Parents and Children Emotionally (SPACE). Please see the poster at the end of the newsletter for details of SPACE, a new free programme for any parent or carer who wants to better understand and support their children's emotions, as well as their own. The programme starts on 14th October and is online for 5 weeks (6pm - 7.30pm) To register your interest or find out more, please email: [space@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:space@cornwall.gov.uk)

## House Winner this Week is: coming soon!

### PE News

#### Crofty KS2 Girls Netball Tournament Pool Academy

#### Results next week

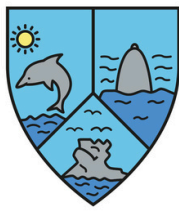


#### Lunchtime Football

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 we have been trying to find objects that are lighter/heavier, full/not full, big/small and also create and repeat patterns. The children have loved the trickier challenges like finding an object that will fit in the bowl and a different object that won't fit in the bowl but will fit in the box. In Drawing Club we have had fun putting actions to our new words. Can you match which photo belongs to dank, mysterious, demanding and reflection?



## Rowan Class



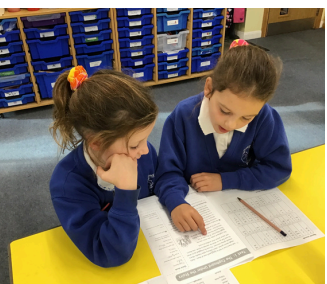
This week we enjoyed getting out and about in the village (and enjoying the last bit of summer sunshine!) as part of our geography learning. We walked down to the harbour, looking and ticking off different buildings on our map. We finished off in the park to do some research as part of our DT project, where we will be making mini play structures. We have also been enjoying writing sentences about the Mousehole Cat in English.



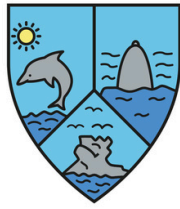
## Sycamore Class



Wow what a week!!! We began the week with a fab outdoor learning session 😊 In science we learnt about human and frog life cycles and have begun what living things need to survive. In music we have continued to learn our continents song, using percussion instruments to follow the beat. We have so enjoyed writing poems about hedgehogs and squirrels.

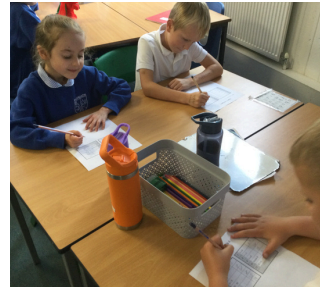
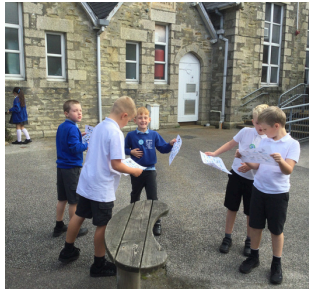




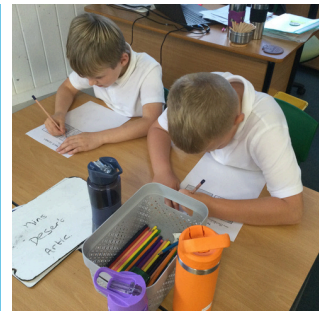


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## Birch Class



In science, we had interesting lesson birdwatching and then creating our own sorting key. Our skills are developing every week. We were very excited to design our pencil case ready for the great making in a few weeks. We have been busy starting our 99 club journey - keep an eye out for our badges. In geography, we have started comparing biomes. This will help to us to produce some super reports in the coming weeks. Finally, we have loved our spanish lessons with Mrs Whitford.

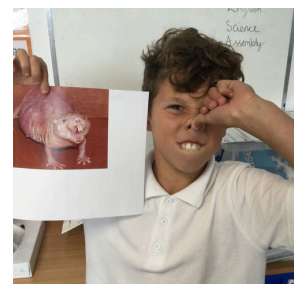


## Oak Class



This week, in science, we have been exploring classifying different leaves and thinking about what questions we could ask. We have also started our final Arctic landscape, in the style of Van Gogh! In our English sessions this week, we have had a grammar focus week! In geography, we been learning what the true meaning of 'Climate Change' – it's a phrase we hear a lot, but what is it and how has it happened?

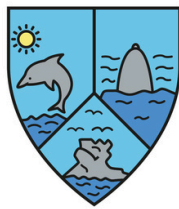
## Cherry Class



This week we really enjoyed immersing ourselves in our artwork – we have been enjoying exploring the work of local Cornish artist Kurt Jackson and this week we experimented with painting in his style. Meanwhile, in geography, we have continued to learn about the threats to the marine environment and steps that are being taken to ensure that its use by humans is sustainable.







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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.

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

## REMINDERS

**XMAS CARD DESIGNS WILL BE COMING HOME, ALL ORDERS TO BE PAID ON PARENTPAY & PLEASE RETURN THE DESIGN WITH THE COMPLETED ORDERS ON THE REVERSE**

## Attendance

This week's attendance is as follows:

Maple Class - 99.3%  
Rowan Class - 96%  
Sycamore Class - 93.3%  
Birch Class - 100%  
Oak Class - 98.4%  
Cherry Class - 100%

Whole school attendance for the year is currently is : 97.7%

## 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  
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

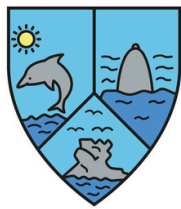
## TERM DATES

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

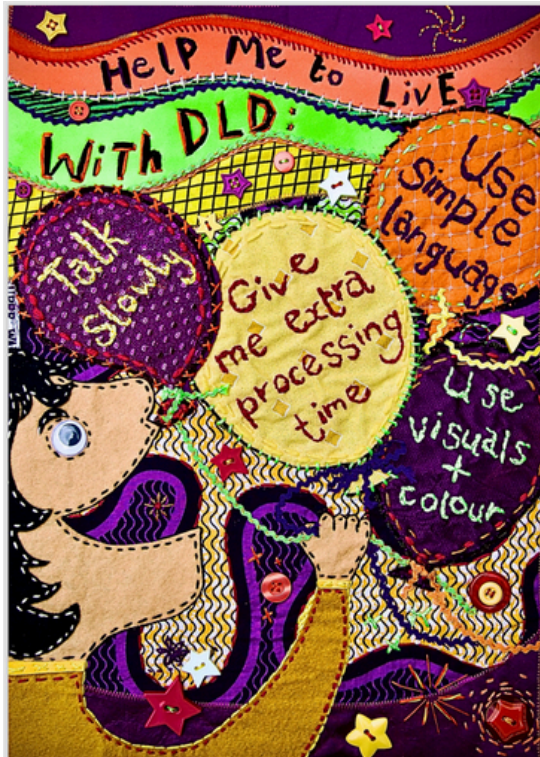
14th October 2024  
19th December 2024  
20th December 2024  
24th February 2025  
4th April 2025  
23rd July 2025





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## Community News



**SPEAK UP FOR DLD**

**#DLDDay FRIDAY**  
18TH OCTOBER 2024

Artist: Siouxsie Webster, a young adult with DLD

I think my poster is really powerful, because it shouts out loudly, but with simple language. I hope people can relate to it. EVERYBODY needs to get their voice heard - in whatever way works for them. Speaking up for DLD is important to me because it is SO HARD to live with. There is NO ESCAPE from communication, EVER. Hardly anyone has heard of DLD - so it really needs to get OUT THERE! It is lonely having DLD because most people don't understand it, and it affects so many aspects of life. Being unable to explain yourself is DEEPLY CHALLENGING, and it is SO difficult to get the right help.

Find out more about  
Developmental Language Disorder (DLD)  
& support #DLDDay at [RADLD.ORG](http://RADLD.ORG).



**GWEALAN TOPS**  
ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

# AUTUMN 2024

**OPENING HOURS**  
FROM WED 4 SEP - FRI 25 OCT

**Tuesday - Friday**  
3:15pm-6pm

**Saturday**  
12pm-4pm  
CLOSED 7 SEP

**Youth Club (13+)**  
Friday 6pm-7:30pm

**GWEALAN TOPS**  
School Lane  
Redruth  
TR15 2ER

**AGES 7+**

**CHILDREN MUST BE REGISTERED**

01209 697 717  
[www.gwealantops.org](http://www.gwealantops.org)

**fun palaces**

# POETRY POSTCARDS AT REDRUTH LIBRARY

**FREE DROP IN SESSION**  
**SUITABLE FOR ALL**

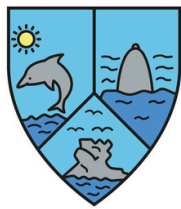
**10:00-12:30 SATURDAY 5TH OCT**

**CREATE YOUR OWN POEM ON A POSTCARD**

Part of our free Fun Palaces poetry weekend.

Redruth Library, Civic Centre, Alma Place, Redruth, TR15 2AT





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Headstart Kernow invites you to register your interest in...

## SPACE : Supporting parents and children emotionally

**SPACE** is a new **free** programme for **any parent or carer** who wants to better understand and support their children's emotions, as well as their own.

### This 5 week online programme will cover:

- Understanding what is meant by a Trauma Informed approach
- Understanding toxic stress and the flight/fight response
- Practical approaches to support children to regulate their emotions
- Healthy coping strategies for dealing with stress
- Managing different emotions
- Understanding behaviour
- Building resilience in ourselves and our children
- Adopting appropriate expectations of children
- Enhancing your ability to provide nurturing care

All parents welcome of any age children/ young people. Programme facilitators will be confirmed nearer the time

Where: Online Microsoft Teams  
When: 6pm - 7:30pm  
Dates: Every Monday for 5 weeks starting 14th October to 11th November



To register your interest or find out more, please email

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