

NEWSLETTER

Happy New Year! Let's hope that 2025 is a great year for us all. We have certainly started really well with our Ofsted visit this week. The inspectors were very positive, and we were delighted with the feedback. I look forward to sharing the report with you when we receive it (just before half term). I am incredibly proud of all the staff and children. They were all amazing, as they are each and every day. I cannot thank the staff enough for all their hard work in the lead up and during the inspection. I know that the staff will continue to work hard with enthusiasm and passion because our school is all about the children and not the inspection system! I would like to thank all the parents and carers for all of your support. Over 50 parents completed the survey. 98% of parents felt the following: their child was doing well at this school, pupils were well behaved, school informed parents about what their child was learning and how they were doing and the school had high expectations for their child. You can view the results on Ofsted parent view. Although I was not allowed a copy of the comments submitted by parents, the Ofsted inspector did read many of them to me. I was overwhelmed by the wonderful things that you said. I was also delighted to receive my special award from the staff today! It made me laugh but also made me feel very emotional. I am so lucky to lead such a fabulous team.

This week Birch and Oak had their first weekly ukulele lessons with Jenny Crow. Jenny is a wonderful music teacher who works for Cornwall Music. We have been lucky enough to receive a grant to cover the costs of this and last year the school invested in a class set of ukuleles. I taught with Jenny when I worked at St Ives School and am excited to be working with her once more.

I am so excited for the term ahead, the teachers have planned a whole range of wonderful lessons and I know the children are going to enjoy the various topics and class books. We will send home copies of the knowledge organisers and class letters next week, along with more details about our curriculum intent.

Cassie Pamplin

CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE



Maple Class: Arthur.F - For being an excellent role model, an enthusiastic learner and polite member of Maple class.
 Rowan Class: Ella.T - For showing curiosity and determination in all of her learning.
 Sycamore Class: Connor - For being a great listener and trying very hard in his learning.
 Birch Class: Taylor - For always having a positive attitude towards school and her learning.
 Oak Class: Isla.C - For always be kind, polite and caring.
 Cherry Class: Genevieve - For always putting in top effort and being an excellent role model to all.

SPORTS STAR

Teddy



MATHS WIZARD

Beth.S



STAR WRITERS



Logan
 George
 Maddie
 Elsie
 Arlo
 Kenzie

PORTREATH LEAVES



Bill
 Freddie
 Tora
 Vinnie
 Sophie
 Charlie



THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Safeguarding and Health and Safety

Please remember if you have any safeguarding concerns please report them to Cassie Pamplin (designated safeguarding lead) or Lucie Clarke in her absence.

Shout 85258 - Shout 85258 is a free, confidential, anonymous text support service. You can text from wherever you are in the UK. If you are struggling to cope and need to talk, trained Shout Volunteers are there for you, day or night.



House Winner this Week is: Forbidden Forest

PE News

Well done to Harvey who completed his 1000m swimming award! We are all super proud of you Harvey for being so courageous.



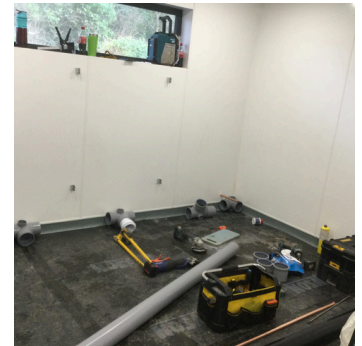
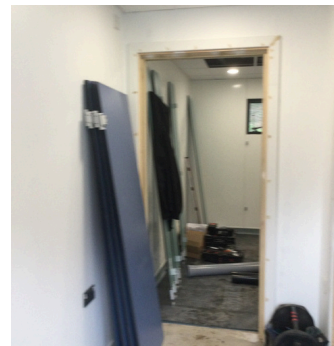
Please let Mrs Seary know of any sporting achievements outside of school. She is keen for people to send in photos of them attending sporting clubs and events outside of school.

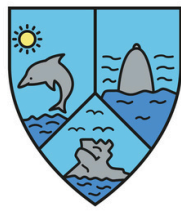


Congratulations on the OBE

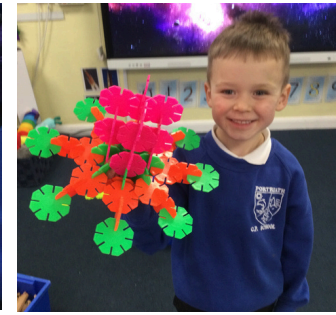
Today in assembly Miss Clarke (Queen of Portreath School) awarded Mrs Pamplin an OBE (Outstanding Boss of Education) for all her hard work and commitment to the children at Portreath School. She thanked Mrs Pamplin for devoting so much time, patience and love in her leadership of our school.

New Classroom progress





Portreath Primary School Maple Class



We have had a fun week of exciting learning! We have started our topic on space by getting creative and building rockets from junk. After listening to the story 'Whatever Next' we found items for retelling the story. With the cold weather we have been looking closely at some ice. It has been that cold we still have a small amount of ice left today (Thursday) after taking the ice balloons out of the freezer at lunchtime on Tuesday!

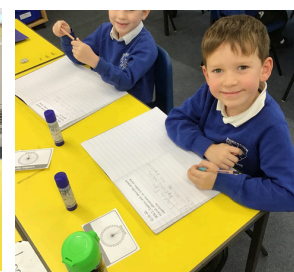
Rowan Class



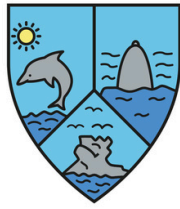
This week in Rowan Class we have kickstarted all of our new topics. We loved learning about the Earth in Geography, where we went on an exploratory trip around each continent. In science, we sorted materials to help an astronaut from space. We've also enjoyed continuing our maths learning about numbers to 20 – including playing a game of snap!



Sycamore Class

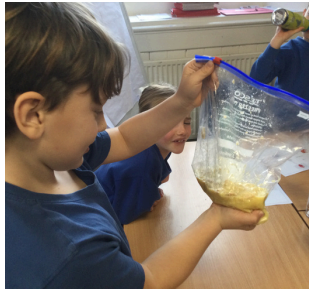


What a fabulous first week back 😊 I was so proud of Sycamore on Tuesday with the mature and enthusiastic way all of the children accepted our visitors into the classroom. We have enjoyed beginning our English unit all about London and have written some brilliant independent sentences. In maths we are focusing on recognising money. In IT we learnt about giving instructions to each other and then to the floor robots.



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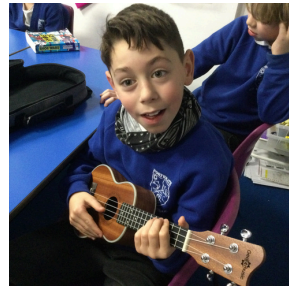
Birch Class



The new year has started with a bang! We really enjoyed reading and discussing free verse poems in our writing lessons. We then went on to write our own free verse poem. The highlight of the week has to be the recreation of the digestion process. It was a lot of fun but VERY messy. We loved it!

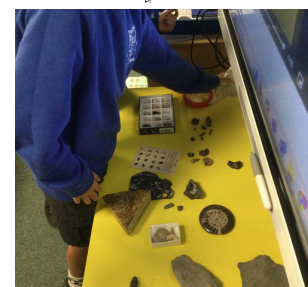


Oak Class



What a whirlwind first week back! It's hard not to mention our visitors on Tuesday - but I just wanted to say how unbelievably proud I am of the WHOLE of Oak Class. They made the day so much more relaxing, because they are always just such a joy to teach and be around! VERY PROUD! We had also had a lovely week of launching new topics and lessons - including starting our 10 weeks of ukulele lessons!

Cherry Class



Wow ! What a start to the term! We have dived into our new term's learning this week starting our geography topic all about earthquakes, volcanoes and tsunamis with a lesson about the structure of the Earth. We are already loving our science topic on evolution which we kick started with a fascinating lesson on fossilisation. Also this week, we have enjoyed writing our own poems on the theme of "winter".





Portreath Primary School

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 12pm on the day.
After School Clubs are now until 4:15pm or 5pm.
From 2nd Dec there will be Outdoor Rangers twice a week (children can only attend 1), football clubs on Mon and Tues.

Monday	Mindfulness with Miss Cafe Library/homework with Mrs Barnes Yr 1, 2 & 3 Football with Mrs Seary
Tuesday	Outdoor Rangers with Miss Cafe Sewing club with Mrs Barnes Yr 4, 5 & 6 Football with Mrs Seary
Wednesday	Craft club with Mrs Barnes & Miss Cafe Computer coding / homework club 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 with Mrs Barnes & Miss Noble

REMINDERS

MATHS WHIZZ FREE CLUB
AVAILABLE WEDS
LUNCHTIMES

Attendance

This week's attendance is as follows:

Maple Class - 98.3%
Rowan Class - 94.8%
Sycamore Class - 97.5%
Birch Class - 98.3%
Oak Class - 95.3%
Cherry Class - 97.9%

Whole school attendance
for the year is currently is : 96.1%

DATES CHANGED

PE DAYS

Maple - Thursday
Rowan - Tuesday
Sycamore - Monday
Birch - Tues & Thurs
Oak - Thursday
Cherry - Monday

DATES

30th Jan - PINS session 2
31st Jan - Pyjamarama day - children with cancer awareness
5th Feb - PINS conference (see dojo for more details)
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
18-20 Jun - Yr 6 Residential trip
30 Jun - Yr 5 Surf Day
2-4 Jul - Yr 4-5 Residential trip
17th Jul - Open Class 2:50-3:20pm

TERM DATES

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

24th February 2025
4th April 2025
23rd July 2025