

NEWSLETTER

At the weekend Miss Clarke and I went to Bristol to prepare for when we take the Y6 there later in the year. We are both so excited to take them, my favourite place was the science museum 'We the Curious' and Miss Clarke's favourite place was 'SS Great Britain'. The Youth Hostel was great, with comfy beds. I am particularly excited to watch 'Warhorse'. I know that we will have an amazing time.

Today Vicky and Rob came into school to present us with a giant cheque! Their business, 'Aequorea' has generously donated £12,000 to the school via the PTA this year. This money is used to pay for a range of things, including money towards transport for trips, enabling us to go on more visits throughout the year. Enrichment is so important, but we are aware that it can be costly for parents so this money enables us to reduce the price of trips. They have subsidised the trip to Bristol to make it more accessible to all. This money will also pay for the whole school to attend the pantomime 'Aladdin' at the Hall for Cornwall at Christmas 2025! We are so grateful for their generosity, it helps us to make a difference to the children's education and lives.

This week the teachers met with other teachers in Crofty schools at Illogan School to look at writing by children in their classes. We do this to share good practice and also help assess the work. It is always good to look at what other schools are doing and for us to share our great work too!

Today in assembly we spoke about science to mark British Science Week. We watched so me videos which 'smash stereotypes' that people might have about what scientists do and look like! It was good to see the kind of jobs that involve science.

Cassie Pamplin



CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE

Maple Class: Maurice - For working hard in everything.

Rowan Class: Mimi - For being a happy and hardworking member of Rowan class.

Sycamore Class: Hugo - For being incredibly courageous and answering a LOT of questions on our class trip to the Maritime Museum.

Birch Class: Joel - For always being a kind and considerate member of the class.

Hazel Class: Bea - For being a ray of sunshine; always ready and happy to learn.

Cherry Class: Elsie - For super hard work and great independence.

SPORTS STAR Gideon



MATHS WIZARD Grover



STAR WRITERS

Lily
Arti
Connor
Harvey
Gladys
Evelyn

PORTREATH LEAVES

Isaac
Leo
Lenny
Alfie
Bethan
Henry

20 READS STAR Isla.H





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THOUGHTS OF THE WEEK

Safeguarding and Health and Safety

Artificial intelligence safety tips for parents

Learn more about artificial intelligence (AI) content and tools, and discover ways to help your children stay safe. Written by Kate Edwards, Associate Head of Child Safety Online.

[Artificial intelligence safety tips for parents | NSPCC](#)

Science IS SIMPLY THE WORD
WE USE TO DESCRIBE
A METHOD OF ORGANIZING
OUR **CURIOSITY**
- TIM MINCHIN -

The scientist is
not a person
who gives the
right answers;
he is one
who asks
the right questions.

- Claude Levi-Strauss
(French Anthropologist)

House Winner this Week is: Farthing Wood

PE News

Wow, what a fantastic week for sports at Portreath. We finished last week with a Key Stage 1 Football Event at Pool Academy. The children were brilliant, worked well as a team and had a fun filled afternoon.

On Monday, after school we had the Peninsula Cross Country Event at Camborne School. The children showed great determination and courage to complete the race. With 4 children going through to the Cross Country Finals in a few weeks time. Well done to all the children that took part, special congratulations to Bea, Gladys, Freddie and Evelyn for getting through to the finals. On Tuesday we had our first home football match against Rosemellin in the Crofty League. Well done to all the boys who played, we won 3-1. The boys worked hard as a team to ensure we kept the win.

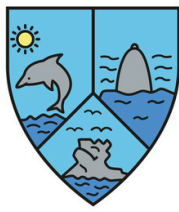


Congratulations to Eva & Reina on their keyboard awards!



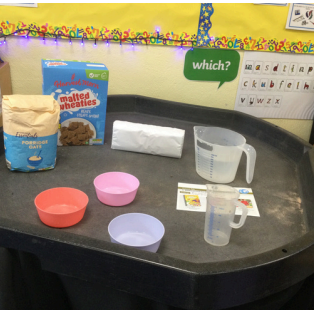
Kier Construction poster competition winner, Daisy, was gifted a tree for the school which was planted in Sarah's Garden





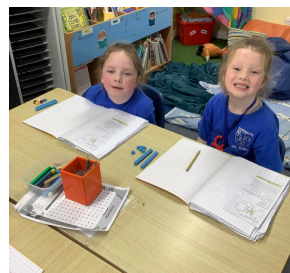
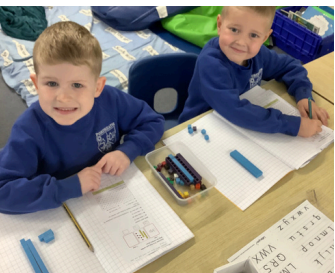
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Maple Class



As part of our science this week, we have been exploring which cereal will be the soggiest when the bears get back from their walk. The children had to choose between porridge, weetabix and shreddies. They made their predictions and carried out the experiment by adding the same amount of water to each of the cereal. You can ask them what their results were!

Rowan Class



We had fun this week exploring magnetic materials in science. In English, we've been learning and writing the story of Cinderella. We're excited to innovate and create our own version of the story next week! In art, we had a go at drawing a portrait of King Charles III and we learned about the royal family tree in history. We've also been smashing our maths, learning about numbers all the way up to 50!



Sycamore Class



We cannot start to talk about this week's adventures without giving a big shout out to Ben (Elsa's dad), who came into class last Friday and shared crepes with us that he and Elsa had made at home. We reactivated our knowledge about France and thoroughly enjoyed our treat! This week we were lucky enough to go to the Maritime Museum and learn about Henry Trengrouse and his wonderful invention of the "Rocket Apparatus". We loved making our own sailing boats and racing them.



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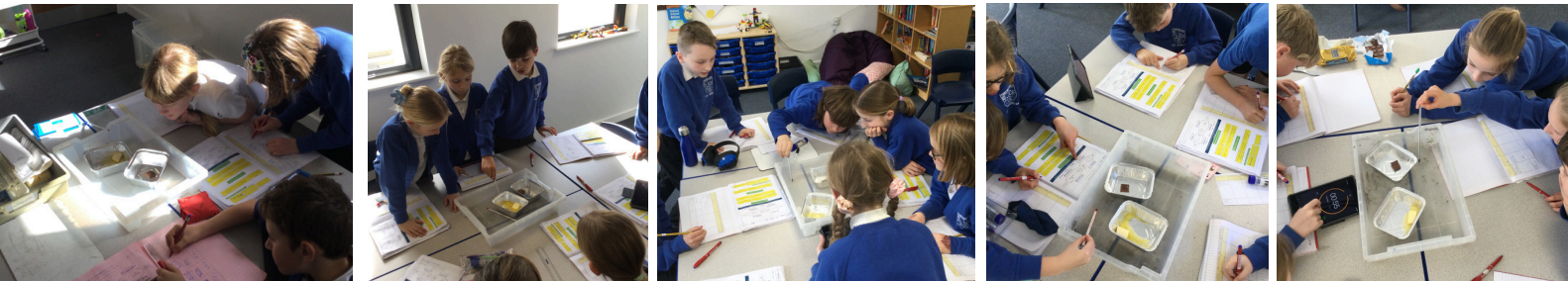
Birch Class



What a fabulous week Birch has had! Last week ended with a memorable trip to Truro. We thoroughly enjoyed the opera; it was truly a special show. We have enjoyed being creative and courageous when writing our character descriptions. In PSHE, we have been exploring when we use team working skills and what these look like. We have started our DT learning, by applying the team work skills we discussed previously while transporting an egg around the playground without it breaking. It was an egg-cellent lesson! 😊



Hazel Class



We've had such a great week this week! We're really getting stuck into our topic on the Maya! We've been learning about the social structure of a Maya community and even got to act out the being kings, priests or ...slaves! In science, we have been exploring how states of matter can change, conducting an experiment on the melting rates of two solids; butter and chocolate! In DT, we are starting to explore Maya textile embellishments.

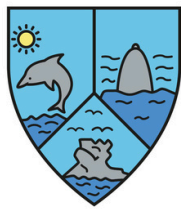


Cherry Class



We started this week with a fascinating visit from Rob and Sophie who are the author and illustrator of the book "Stones and Bones" that we were using last half term. We found out about the process of writing a book and Sophie taught us how to draw a dinosaur and its fossilised remains! On Wednesday, in science, we were learning how light can be made to change direction and we had great fun making, using and explaining the science behind periscopes.





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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.

Outdoor Rangers is now 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
Thursday	Outdoor Rangers with Miss Cafe & Mrs Barnes Library/Lego with Mrs Chiplin Netball yr5/6 - (high 5 version) with Mrs Jones & Mrs Whitford
Friday	Wraparound with Mrs Barnes & Miss Noble

REMINDERS

PLEASE ENSURE YOU ARE MAKING REGULAR PAYMENTS FOR THE CAMPS IN Y4,5,6 SO YOU DO NOT HAVE A LARGE AMOUNT TO PAY SUDDENLY
THANKS

Attendance

This week's attendance is as follows:

Maple Class - 93%

Rowan Class - 99.2%

Sycamore Class - 98.9%

Birch Class - 91.3%

Hazel Class - 98%

Cherry Class - 98.1%

Whole school attendance for the year is currently is : 95.6%

PE DAYS

Maple - Thursday

Rowan - Thursday

Sycamore - Monday

Birch - Tuesday

Hazel - Tuesday

Cherry - Monday

Birch and Hazel will also do outdoor learning on a Tuesday

DATES

26th Mar - Cherry trip to Kresen Kernow

26th Mar - Birch trip to Screech Owl Sanctuary

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

7th May - Class photographs

12th May - SATS week

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

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

4th April 2025

23rd July 2025