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NEWSLETTER

On Tuesday we had a fantastic opening ceremony for our new building: The Orchard. People involved in the build were invited, along with some volunteers and some ex-members of staff including Caroline Thomas, John Whetter and Nicki Finn. Thanks to Jess Cafe and the school council for organising the event and to Miss Baseley for leading the beautiful singing. I took the opportunity to say thank-you to many people, including: Cornwall Council and Crofty Educational Trust for funding the build, project lead Keith Austin, Kevin McKenna for the plans and Richard White for helping everything get through planning. I thanked Ian and Dan Hinton from the building company, RAMS for going above and beyond on this project. They were always happy to answer questions from staff and children and let the whole school watch key moments such as the roof being moved into position by the crane. I thanked the Crofty staff in the finance, procurement, IT and estates teams. My biggest thanks went to Steve Eva, our wonderful estates manager. He has worked tirelessly to make this dream a reality. I thanked the wonderful staff of Portreath for their flexibility during the build, dealing with last minute changes, continuing to teach brilliantly through it all and then moving at lightning speed when it came to moving classrooms. The children were amazing during the ceremony, their singing was excellent and commented on by our guests and they stood and listened really well. Evelyn, our school ambassador, made a fantastic speech on behalf of all the children. Ed Rowe (aka Kernow King) then did the honours of cutting the ribbon. The guests were invited into Cherry Class for a cream tea to celebrate, served by our wonderful PTA, which included jam donated kindly by Sisleys. I am so delighted with the 2 new classrooms because it means we will be able to help more children grow and make a difference in Portreath and the wider world. We had a gorgeous evening on Wednesday at 'Snuggledown' to celebrate World Book Day. The children and staff loved wearing their pis and snuggling up for a range of stories. Thanks to the staff who made this special evening possible. Over 120 children attended which was great.

This week all of Key Stage 2 had the opportunity to visit the theatre. Year 5&6 went to see o-region's White Horse at The Regal. A stunning play that they loved, written and directed by Simon Harvey, who has worked with the school previously and the play starred Ed Rowe. Year 3&4 got to see the opera, 'The Vanishing Forest', thanks to the HfC, which they came back buzzing about. They made the most of the day by also visiting the cathedral and new refurbished museum. **Cassie Pamplin**

CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE



Maple Class: Leo.E - For working so hard on his phonics. Rowan Class: Jack - For an excellent week and for listening carefully to instructions.

Sycamore Class: Molly - For excellent observational skills in science.

Birch Class: Charlie - For always working hard and giving 100%. Hazel Class: Mila - For always trying her hardest and always having a smile on her face!

Cherry Class: Charlie - For enthusiasm in lessons and always working his very hardest.

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Safeguarding and Health and Safety

Please ensure you supervise your child carefully whilst waiting in the morning, particuarly in Sarah's Garden. This area has recently been renovated and we want to keep the children safe and the area looking wonderful.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

I regard the theatre as the greatest of all art forms, the most immediate way in which a human being can share with another the sense of what it is to be a human being.

~ Oscar Wilde

House Winner this Week is: Enchanted Wood

PE News

On Wednesday in assembly, we revealed the Great Athlete that will be visiting us on the Friday 21st March! Oli Adams will be running a fun fitness circuit, followed by an inspirational assembly and Q&A session.

The children should have already brought home a sponsorship form.

If you would like to sponsor your child, you can bring in cash with the sponsorship form, or you can donate online by following this link and searching for the school name:



https://sportal.greatathletes. org/events/landing Sponsorship forms and money will be due in by Friday 28th March!

Thank you for your continued support. Mrs Seary

Snuggledown - world book day



Opening Ceremony for The Orchard









This week we pressed the pause button on our traditional stories topic and learnt about Shrove Tuesday and Saint Piran's day as part of our RE. We had fun cooking and eating pancakes but tossing them was definitely a highlight! For Saint Piran's day we baked scones and then ate them! We learnt all about Saint Piran and what each part of the Saint Piran's flag represents.

Rowan Class











This week we've been LOVING the sunshine! We enjoyed taking our Maths learning outside, where we played a game to practice counting all the way up to 50. In History, we created a timeline of the life (so far!) of King Charles III and in RE we learned about the importance of a Mezuzah for Jewish people. We have also loved reading and writing about the story of Prince Cinders in English. It was fun spotting the parallels with the traditional story of Cinderella!







Sycamore Class





This week has seen Sycamore embrace the Easter story! They had great fun acting out the main parts and showed their dramatic side brilliantly. In science we used our observational skills to identify the different materials used for a specific purpose and enjoyed getting outside to make the most of the glorious sunshine. We also started our class novel – Anne of Green Gables.



Birch Class



It has been a wonderful week in Birch. We have loved starting our new topics in RE and history. We have been curious by finding out where the Anglo Saxons came from by applying our geography skills. The week started with a virtual author visit. We were amazed by the speed and detail the illustrator created the illustrations. However, the highlight must be our trip to Truro. We packed so much in and thoroughly enjoyed it.







Hazel Class





It's been such a lovely, creative and cultural week this week! We started the week with a BRILLIANT writing workshop with the ever-entertaining Michael Rosen. It included two fantastic Jamba and Pourquoi storytellers, as well as watched an illustrator at work! The Year 5s went with the year 6s to The Regal Theatre, on Tuesday, to watch the brilliant adaptation of Michael Morpurgo's 'The White Horse of Zennor'. It was absolutely brilliant and a showcase of many creative talents! In writing, we have been creating Kennings poems around our mythical beast from of class texts 'Impossible Creatures'.

Cherry Class







On Monday this week we kicked off the celebrations of World Book Day by taking part in an online lesson about storytelling and illustration featuring Michael Rosen; then on Tuesday we were lucky enough to visit The Regal Theatre to watch an excellent adaptation of Michael Morpurgo's The White Horse of Zennor, we all thought it was absolutely brilliant! Also this week we have been enjoying really getting into our class novel " Goodnight Mister Tom" which is set in World War Two.





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.

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

Monday	Mindfulness with Miss Cafe Library/homework with Mrs Barnes Yr 1, 2 & 3 Football with Mrs Seary Computer coding / homework club with Mrs Kerslake
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

Attendance

This week's attendance is as follows:

Maple Class - 93.7%

Rowan Class - 96.5%

Sycamore Class - 96.1%

Birch Class - 99.1% Hazel Class - 98.5% Cherry Class - 99.5% 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

12th Mar - Sycamore trip to Maritime Museum
26th Mar - Cherry trip to Kresen Kernow
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

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