

NEWSLETTER

Wow the last 7 weeks have flown by! Everyone has worked extremely hard, staff and children, and I think everyone is ready for a well-deserved half term break!

This week we celebrated 'Black History Month' by finding out about some amazing black people that you might not know about through the history books, including local lady, Mary McWilliams. Mary became the first black councillor in Cornwall when she was elected in Redruth in 2011. Black History Month was created to highlight and celebrate the contributions, achievements, and history of Black people, which have often been overlooked or ignored in mainstream history. Many schools in the UK celebrate Black History month in October to educate and promote equality and racial harmony.

Yesterday Rev Mark led a harvest assembly. He told the story of Ruth, a harvest and love story found in the bible. As a school, we occasionally share stories from the bible. Even if people are not Christians, there are things we can learn from bible stories such as the importance of kindness and courage. These stories are often referenced in other things, so it is important to help develop children's cultural capital. We always make it clear that the stories are from a book that is important to Christians. Rev Mark presented the story brilliantly using photographs of Lego figures! Thank you so much for all of the food donations. We will make sure these donations get to the local Foodbank. Sycamore Class got to celebrate harvest with their families after sharing their flatbreads that they had made as part of their DT project with Miss Cafe. I hear they were delicious!

Matt Leech, our chair of governors visited this week. He spent time talking to children about safeguarding and got the opportunity to look at the children writing across the school. He was impressed with everything he saw!

Thanks for all your support this half term. Have a wonderful break!

Cassie Pamplin

CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE



Maple Class: Amelia - For excellent team work.
 Rowan Class: Maurice - For working hard with his handwriting.
 Sycamore Class: Reef - For always trying his best and for producing work of good quality
 Birch Class: Bodhi - For always sharing his ideas!
 Hazel Class: Paige - For a brilliant effort in maths
 Cherry Class: Konan - For maximum effort over the whole half term.

SPORTS STAR

Arlia



STAR WRITERS



Lowenna
 Layla
 Rowan
 Eva
 Bea
 Grover

PORTREATH LEAVES



Kitto
 Mason
 Darcy
 Jaygo
 Maximus
 Frankie



Portreath

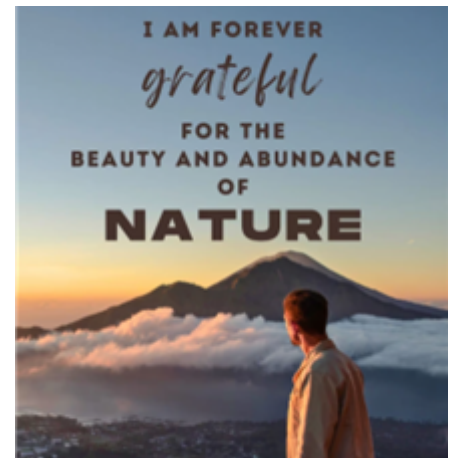
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Safeguarding and Health and Safety

Take care with parking. Please do not block the give way area as you drive into the village. This means people are unable to pass each other in cars.



THOUGHT OF THE WEEK



Save the date - First SEND parent coffee morning Thursday 06.11.25 9:00-10:30am

The first speaker will be Vicky Brewer from Autism Team.

This is a great opportunity to find out more about Autism, strategies to support children and connect with other parents.

House Winner this Week is: 100 Acre Wood

PE News

What an excellent first half term back. The children have worked extremely hard this half term during PE lessons, events and school football matches. Massive thank you and well done to all the children in Cherry Class for starting your sports leadership roles and running some fantastic lunch time sports clubs.

Last Friday, some Year 5 and 6 girls attended the Crofty Girls Netball Tournament at Pool Academy. The team worked well together, getting into space and making some great passes. The hard work and practice in netball club after school paid off as the team got through to the finals and finished 2nd place.

This week in PE we have enjoyed playing some Halloween themed games, pumpkin patch throw-down, witches hat tag, spooky house and zombie tag. The children had lots fun. On Thursday, Cherry enjoyed a PE session with their buddies in Maple. Maple got to show off some of the skills they had learnt and finished with some dancing, musical statues and musical bumps. Have a wonderful half term and I look forward to seeing you all after half term.





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Maple Class



We have had a fun week finishing off our super hero topic. We gave pumpkins hair by hammering golf tees into the top and then poked pipe cleaners in to give them a rather funky look! We made our own Super Carrots by safely using the hot glue gun and then finally we made carrot and coriander soup - No Super Carrots were harmed in the making of the soup!

Rowan Class



We have had a lovely final week of half term. We've been busy rounding off all of our topics – we had fun on our walk around the village as part of our geography learning, despite the very windy weather! We have been linking our science and English learning by writing a non-chronological report all about different types of animals. Staying on the animal theme, we enjoyed our whole class treat this afternoon for earning over 1000 Dojos by watching Madagascar!



Sycamore Class

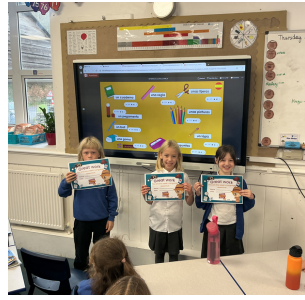
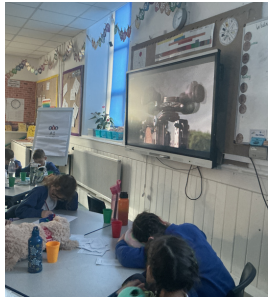


What a wonderful first half term we've had in Sycamore Class. It has been such a joy learning with and teaching your children this half term. We've had a very busy week to finish. To fully understand what makes up our community, we went on a lovely walk with Rowan Class around Portreath on Monday afternoon. In English, we have been exploring poetry and have written our own rhyming poems on hedgehogs. In mathematics, we've been learning about 10 more and 10 less and in PE, we've been learning ball skills including dribbling and accuracy. Thank you so much for coming to taste our flatbreads with us yesterday. We really loved making them. See you after half term!



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Birch Class



We have had a busy, busy, busy end to the term! It all started with us planning and writing our stunning non-chronological report on deserts. We then have been applying brilliant number facts and knowledge when adding with exchanging! Just fantastic. Sandwiched in the middle was our Dojo reward-yummy biscuits. We created an art gallery and presented our collages to Sycamore - thank you for coming. Finally, the week has rounded off with our first swimming lesson. Phew!

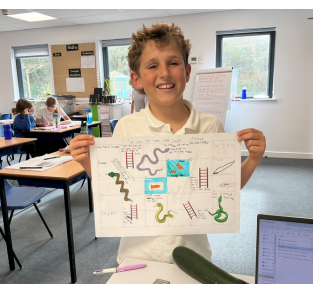


Hazel Class



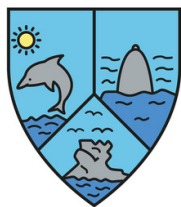
This week we have painted our Amazon masterpieces using watercolours. We completed our non-chronological reports in English and had time to write our own stories. There were tears (mainly from me!) as we finished our class novel, The Explorer. In science we learnt about the different ways seeds are dispersed.

Cherry Class



This week we came to the end of our topic, "How can we save our seas?". We have learnt so much and decided to share our knowledge creatively with Hazel Class by making board games to show the problems and solutions involved in ensuring our oceans remain a sustainable resource. We also enjoyed watching the excellent David Attenborough / National Geographic documentary "Ocean". In art we have been producing our own seascape paintings inspired by Kurt Jackson.





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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.

Monday	Show & Shine with Mrs Barnes and Miss Cafe
Tuesday	Outdoor Rangers with Miss Cafe Drama club with Mrs Barnes KS2 (Y3+) Football with Mrs Seary
Wednesday	Craft club with Mrs Barnes & Miss Cafe
Thursday	Outdoor Rangers with Miss Cafe & Mrs Barnes Library club with Mrs Chiplin KS2 (Y3+) Netball with Mrs Seary
Friday	Film / games club with Mrs Barnes & Mrs Chevill

REMINDERS

PLEASE COULD EVERYONE BE CONSIDERATE WHEN PARKING & CROSS THE ROAD SAFELY WITH THE CROSSING PATROL LADYS HELP

PLEASE COULD YOU SEND A COAT INTO SCHOOL WITH YOUR CHILD AS THE WEATHER IS NOT PREDICABLE

Attendance

This week's attendance is as follows:

Maple Class - 97%
Rowan Class - 95.7%
Sycamore Class - 92.5%
Birch Class - 97.1%
Hazel Class - 98.1%
Cherry Class - 93.8%

Whole school attendance for the year is currently is : 96.7%

PE DAYS

Maple - Thursday

Rowan - Tuesday

Sycamore - Thursday

Birch - Tuesday

Hazel - Monday

Cherry - Wednesday

Outdoor learning on Tuesday for Rowan & Birch

DATES

20th Nov - School Individual photographs
28th Nov - Open Class 2:45 - 3:15pm
08th Dec - Maple Xmas Show 9:30am & 2:00pm
9th Dec - Whole School to HfC 'Aladdin'
10th Dec - Xmas Day Lunch
10th Dec - KS1 Xmas Show 6pm
11th Dec - KS1 Xmas Show 2pm
11th Dec - KS2 Concert in Church
16th Dec - Xmas Party Day
23rd Jan - Maple Class Assembly 2:45pm
30th Jan - Rowan Class Assembly 2:45pm
06th Feb - Sycamore Class Assembly 2:45pm
week 2nd Feb - Scholastic Book Fair
2nd Feb - Open Class 8:40 - 9:10am
25th Feb - Yr 5 Life Skills workshop

TERM DATES

Half Term - w/c 27th Oct
Last Day Autumn Term - 17th December
First Day Spring Term - 5th January 2026
Half Term - w/c 16th February
Last Day of Spring Term - 2nd April
Bank Holiday - 3rd April
First Day Summer Term - 20th April
Bank Holiday - 4th May
Half Term - w/c 25th May
Last Day Summer Term - 22nd July

INSET DAYS

3rd Nov 2025
18th Dec 2025
19th Dec 2025
23rd Feb 2026
1st Jun 2026
23rd Jul 2026