

NEWSLETTER

The children clearly loved 'Positive Noticing Day' this week. I cannot believe it has been a year since we introduced this after Miss Clarke and myself attended a conference where Paul Dix was presenting. He introduced this idea. Over the last year, the staff have been focusing on positive noticing - telling children when they are going over and above in terms of behaviour. Perhaps your child has received a little note from a member of staff saying what they have noticed about them or thanking them. 'Positive Noticing Day' is all about the children sharing what they have noticed about each other and writing it on a label which the children take home. Why not try to build on this at home and let your children know all the great things that you notice them doing, perhaps using good manners, helping out with a job, being kind or making others smile. It will help to build their self esteem and hopefully encourage them to do it more!

Cassie Pamplin

Good Afternoon,

It was wonderful to finally spend some time at Portreath today.

I have been busy visiting classes and introducing myself to the children and staff across the school. It was also wonderful to meet many of you this morning on the gate. I look forward to getting to know both children and families more in the coming weeks, and beginning to learn more about the school each time I visit.

In addition, I have been incredibly impressed today by the children's learning and conduct around the school. I was also lucky enough to celebrate the children's learning during assembly this afternoon and hand out some of the well deserved awards. Thank you all for making me feel so welcome on my first visit to Portreath.

Have a lovely weekend,

Daryl Riches

CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE



Maple Class: Toby - For excellent participation in phonics this week.

Rowan Class: Cameron - For being an enthusiastic learner.

Sycamore Class: Ivy - For always trying her best.

Birch Class: Jessamy - For always being positive and working hard.

Hazel Class: Ella - For showing great resilience in her learning.

Cherry Class: Isla.H - For positivity and always working hard.

SPORTS STAR

Kylian



STAR WRITERS



Elaina
Jacob
Teddy
Callum
Robert
Caleb

PORTREATH LEAVES



Leilani
Ruby.O
Ella.T
Archie
Harvey
Elsa.E

**MATHS
WIZARD**
Isabella





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THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Safeguarding and Health and Safety

Pokémon GO has been among the world's most popular mobile games since its spectacular release in 2016. It enjoyed a more recent resurgence, thanks partly to people combining entertainment and exercise during lockdown in the early months of the Covid pandemic. In Pokémon GO – like the Pokémon TV show, trading card series and other video games – players capture, train and battle with their Pokémon creatures: physically exploring locations while using augmented reality via their phone's screen.

The game generally provides a positive experience, but there are still some safety concerns to consider.

In our guide, you'll find tips on helping young Pokémon fans to avoid potential risks such as environmental hazards, strangers and data collection.



House Winner this Week is: 100 Acre Wood

PE News

In PE this week, Hazel class completed their fitness challenges and recorded their personal bests. They will continue to work on these throughout the term, and then complete them again at the end of term, to see if they have managed to better their personal bests.

In Rowan we have been practicing our wide, narrow and curled movements on the equipment this week. The children really impressed me with their confidence and focus. In Cherry, the children worked in partners to start creating their own sequences using a range of apparatus and movements.

Due to the bad weather on Tuesday, after school football club enjoyed a game of crab football in the hall. This is a great way to develop their core strength and slow the game down to focus on skills and specific game areas.

Well done to Mason for getting player/superstar of the week in football this week.





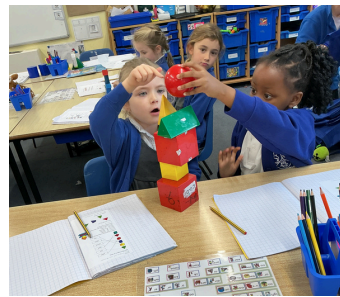
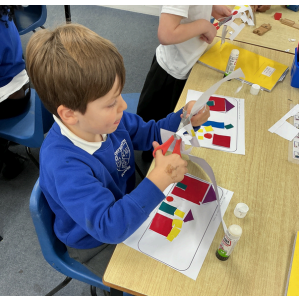
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Maple Class



It's been a real mix of learning this week in Maple class. I introduced our Sphero cars to the class which they absolutely loved. These are cars that are programmed by using coloured tiles. We have continued our learning about Diwali by listening to the story of Rama and Sita and started to make our own Diya lamps out of clay. We cannot wait for them to dry so we can decorate them. On Wednesday it was positive noticing day. The children came up with some lovely words to describe their friends and then wrote one of them on a label for them to wear.

Rowan Class



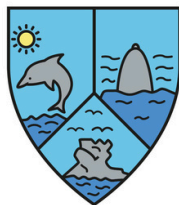
We have had a great week in Rowan Class. We are loving our new history topic all about Mary Anning – this week, we created a timeline of Mary's life. We have also been using Mary Anning as inspiration in English, where we wrote some fantastic diary entries in character, about the day when Mary discovered her first dinosaur fossil. In RE, we were learning about baby Jesus and why Christians believe he was special. We enjoyed positive noticing day and wrote some wonderful words about our classmates on our labels before wearing them all day and showing them off. Finally. We have been learning about 2D and 3D shapes in Maths. What a jam-packed week!



Sycamore Class

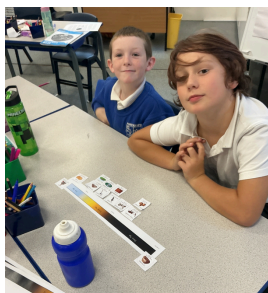


We have had great fun in Sycamore Class this week! We are really enjoying our Topic learning on the Great Fire of London and in Art we've been making paper collages to reflect the changing colours of fire. In English, we've written independent instructions on how to wash our hands properly and we've now moved onto learning about diary entries, again focused on the Great Fire of London. We've been reading 'The Butterfly Lion' as a class and in Mathematics, we have now begun our new unit on shapes! Please note that our Outdoor Learning for next week only will take place on Wednesday, NOT Thursday.



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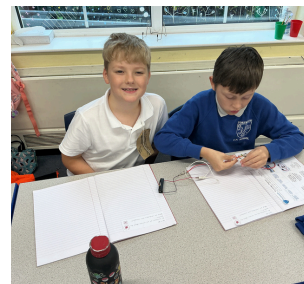
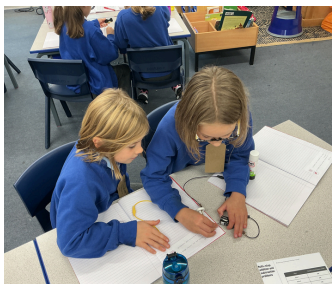
Birch Class



The highlight of the week was our trip to The Regal Theatre to see 'Grandma on the Moon' performed by the AZ2B Theatre Company. We really enjoyed the thoughtful performance and posed some very good questions during the Q&A session. It was a pleasure to take them. We started our history unit with a very insightful lesson on the timeline of Stone Age to Iron Age. We placed the main events on the timeline and discovered very little is known about the Stone Age because there was no written language. In English, we have been collecting tinder, twigs and logs before creating a fire- just like real Stone Age people. In science, we have been busy making predictions if electrical circuit would light up a bulb. Finally, the week concluded with our final swimming session.



Hazel Class



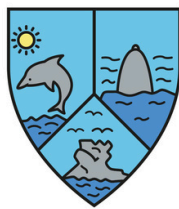
This week in science we learnt about circuits. The children had the task to fix a broken circuit, which a pet rabbit had nibbled through, using a range of materials. The children had to predict the materials that would conduct electricity and then test them. It was really fun 😊 In English we have started our next unit where we will write an innovation to the story of Aladdin. We have used our oracy skills to tell our own tales to each other in class. We thoroughly enjoyed writing positive affirmations about each other in class and proudly displayed our own personal ones, on tags.

Cherry Class



On Monday we started our new science topic on electricity by having some "tinker time" where we experimented and reminded ourselves of learning in previous year groups. We also learnt about Michael Faraday "The Father of Electricity" and were surprised to find he had a Cornish connection: he was an apprentice to the chemist Humphry Davy. In English, we have enjoyed the start of our new unit of work on writing newspaper reports. In history we learnt about the impact of the industrial revolution and some of the inventions which came about during the Victorian era.





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PLEASE NOTE ALL CLUBS INCLUDING BREAKFAST CLUB MUST 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 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 CURRENTLY

Attendance

This week's attendance is as follows:

Maple Class - 87.1%
Rowan Class - 90%
Sycamore Class - 95.2%
Birch Class - 95.5%
Hazel Class - 99.1%
Cherry Class - 95.6%

Whole school attendance for the year is currently is : 96.4%

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
8th 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
6th Mar - Birch Class Assembly 2:45pm
13th Mar - Hazel Class Assembly 2:45pm

TERM DATES

Last Day Autumn Term - 17th December
First Day Spring Term - 5th January
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

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

Thank you

We are extremely grateful to one of our parents, Talan Bellman, who has kindly donated a new wheel and binoculars to our pirate ship



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