

NEWSLETTER

I am so proud of all the staff at Portreath School. They have made sure the school has had a fantastic week full of learning and hard work. I have spent much of the week at Pennoweth School getting to know the staff and children. All the Portreath staff, led by Miss Clarke, have worked together to ensure things have run smoothly here. What a fabulous team! I have missed everyone and loved seeing staff and children today.

Last Sunday I was very proud to be part of the remembrance parade and service in Portreath. Isla, Grover, Konan and Beth represented the school brilliantly. It was great to see other pupils there linked to other organisations such as Portreath Surf Life Saving Club too. The children laid a wreath, a poppy posy and lit a candle as well as reading a poem together. Many of the congregation commented on how good they were. What super stars! Rev Mark led a lovely service and it felt very special. Thanks to all those who purchased a poppy this week.

On Monday the staff enjoyed the Crofty training day, which was held at Treloweth School. The theme was innovation. Staff from many of the schools ran workshops for everyone. I was very proud of Lucie Clarke, who leads history here at Portreath, who delivered a session about our school's work on chronology. It was fantastic and many schools commented on how good it and how they are going to implement her ideas. Our staff also came away inspired and with ideas to try out from their workshops.

Cassie Pamplin

It was really lovely to have all the children and staff back in school this week. The classrooms have been buzzing with excitement with the start of all the new topics. I really appreciate how hard all the staff have worked and we have had a super week. Today I spoke to the children about remembrance in assembly and they made thoughtful comments.

Lucie Clarke

CERTIFICATES OF EXCELLENCE



Maple Class: Levan - For being kind and helpful in the outside area.

Rowan Class: Perran - For always trying his best.

Sycamore Class: Elowen - For a wonderful first week in Sycamore Class!

Birch Class: Lochie - For being curious in all areas of learning.

Hazel Class: Phoebe - For an enthusiastic approach towards all aspects of school.

Cherry Class: Eddie - For creative thinking in maths.

SPORTS STARS

Eadie & Maddie



STAR WRITERS



Lily
Azhar
Jonathan
Connor
Sisi
Arlo

PORTREATH LEAVES



Mila
Charlie
Hallie
Frank.L
Soren
Lowen

MATHS WIZARD
Mhairi





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THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Safeguarding and Health and Safety

If you have concerns about a child do let us know. We can then follow this up. However, you can also contact the safeguarding services direct as well if you feel you need to.

If you feel that a child, you or a friend or neighbour needs extra help, please contact

the Multi-agency Referral Unit (MARU) for Cornwall on 0300 123 1116. They will help you to understand what is the best way to respond to your concerns

You could also get advice from the [NSPCC](#) Helpline or call them on 0800 800 5000

If you or someone you know is being hurt or is very unsafe right now, you should dial 999.

**BELIEVE
IN YOURSELF**
&
ALL THAT YOU ARE
KNOW THAT THERE IS
SOMETHING INSIDE YOU
**THAT IS GREATER
THAN ANY OBSTACLE**

House Winner this Week is: 100 Acre Wood

PE News

This half term in PE we will be working on gymnastics, dance and fitness goals. In Rowan, we started learning about wide, narrow and curled movements. In Birch, we have started making bridges individually and with partners, this week the children practiced these on the mats and benches. The children will be making different sequences across the term. In Cherry, we started with our fitness sets, the children have recorded their personal bests for squats, continuous running for 2 minutes, bench sit stretches and speed shuttles. They will then be working on improving those personal bests and will record again at the end of term to see if they have managed to improve their fitness and beat their personal bests.

Maurice Catches First Squid 🐙

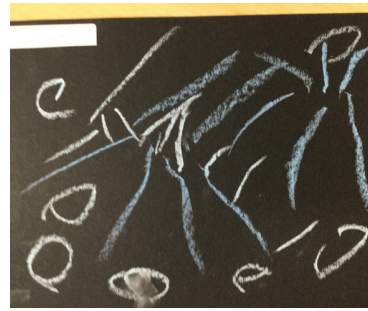
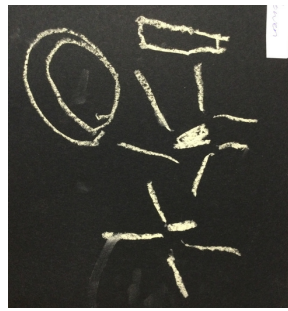
As the youngest member of the Redruth Sea Angling Association, Maurice has been out doing a lot of fishing in the hope to catch some edible fish. After a long spell of no success, Maurice's dedication and determination has finally paid off as he managed to reel in his first squid! He was amazed that squid are able to change colour for camouflage and squirt sticky black ink to evade predators. He also learnt how to prepare, cook and eat the squid.





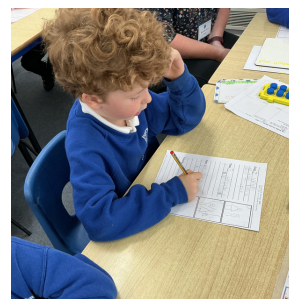
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Maple Class



This week we have started our new topic all about celebrations. We have been busy making firework pictures after learning about Guy Fawkes. We have also been working on our fine motor skills by adding pegs to our Rangoli patterns which is all to do with Diwali.

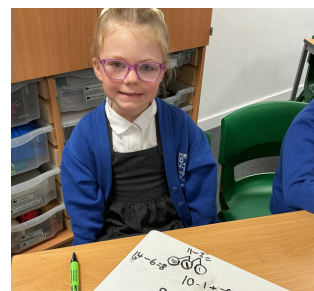
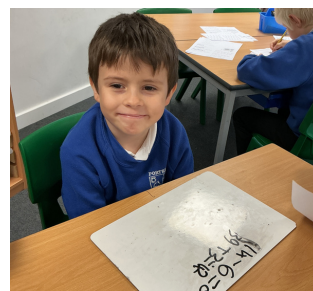
Rowan Class



We have had a great first week back. We started our new history topic all about Mary Anning, the famous fossil hunter. In English, we are writing a diary entry in character as Mary, based on the day she found her first major discovery of a dinosaur skull in Lyme Regis. We worked with Penny on Thursday afternoon to create a wonderful fabric filled with fossil shapes which we have added to our history display. We have also been enjoying some yoga as part of our movement breaks!



Sycamore Class

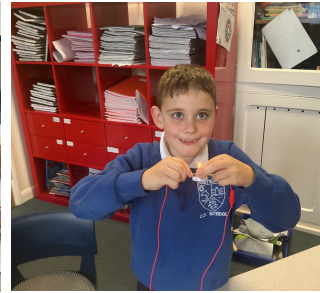
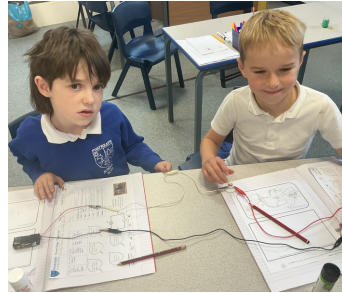
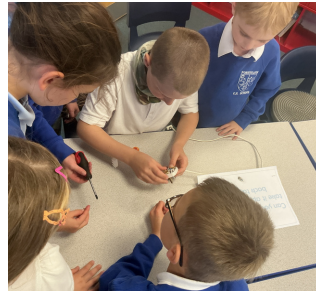
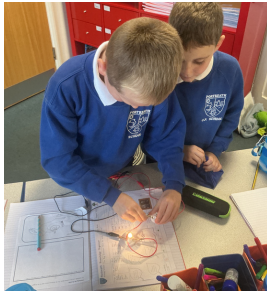
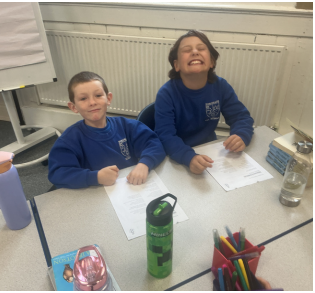


This week we have started our new topic learning about the Great Fire Of London! We have been busy with paint and glitter creating firework inspired images as part of our art work and in mathematics we are coming to the end of our unit on addition and subtraction before we begin our new learning on shapes. In English, we have been identifying verbs and the key features of instructions and next week we will be writing our own independent instructions on how to wash our hands correctly and thoroughly. In PE this half term we will be covering a gymnastics based unit and we are enjoying our outdoor learning sessions each week with Miss Cafe!

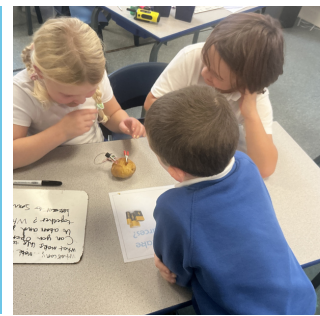


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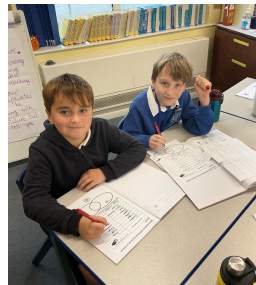
Birch Class



We have had an electrifying start to the new term! We have been learning about electricity in science, where we identified what items need mains and battery power to work, before creating our own circuit. We then investigated different circuits to see if they would make a bulb light up. In DT, we were very curious by investigating how things work. Unbelievably, we create a circuit to make a bulb light up using an apple! We also had a lot of fun learning to perform a poem before creating our own free verse poem based on a poem by Joseph Coelho.



Hazel Class



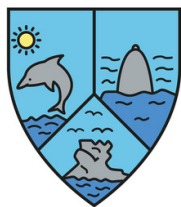
This week we have started our new topic about The Windrush. We are enjoying our class novel Windrush Child by Benjamin Zephaniah and have written diary entries as a child on board MV Empire Windrush, using brilliant emotive phrases. In music we have begun to learn the song 3 Little Birds by Bob Marley. In science we had great fun creating circuits 😊

Cherry Class



This week we were excited to start our history topic, "How did life change for children during the Victorian era?" We started off by researching the life of Queen Victoria and then acted out reading a eulogy for her. In art this week we finished our unit of work by producing canvases of work inspired by Kurt Jackson – we are very proud of our creativity.





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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

Attendance

This week's attendance is as follows:

Maple Class - 97.3%
Rowan Class - 98.8%
Sycamore Class - 95.7%
Birch Class - 98.4%
Hazel Class - 99.6%
Cherry Class - 86.7%

Whole school attendance for the year is currently is : 96.8%

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

Rowan Class Halloween Party

Raises £118!

The 'Rowan Class & Siblings Halloween party', held at Portreath Millennium Hall (31 Oct), raised £118 for the PTA. The children had a lot of spooky fun dancing, face painting, decorating biscuits and crafting. The money raised will go towards new play equipment, as requested by the school council. Thanks goes out to all who came, helped out and donated!



Portreath Primary School, throughout the year, distributes fliers and magazines offering family services or posts details of local activities on the newsletter. Whilst we think that parents might like the information and find it useful, the school does not endorse these services.