



PORTREATH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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School calendar

7th May - School Class photographs
 12th May - Open Class 2:45 - 3:15pm
 20th May - Penhaligan friends whole school walk
 2nd Jun - Bag2School Collection today
 5th Jun - EYFS & KS1 Sports Day 1:30 - 3:00pm
 8th Jun - KS2 Sports Day 1:30-3:00pm
 10th Jul - Open Class 8:40 - 9:10am
 13th Jul - Whole School Show 2pm
 13th Jul - Whole School Show 6pm
 21st Jul - Leavers Assembly 2pm

Safeguarding and Health and Safety

Safeguarding and the wellbeing of our children is a top priority at Portreath School. If you have any safeguarding concerns, please report them as soon as possible.

Mrs Carr, Headteacher, is the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) for the school. Our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads are Miss Clarke (Assistant Head) and Mr McCarthy (SENCo). Our Safeguarding Governor is Matt Leech.

Thank you for helping us to keep all of our children safe.



Message from Mrs Carr

It has been another lovely week here at Portreath School, and I continue to feel incredibly welcomed by both the school and the wider community. The sunshine has (mostly!) stayed with us, and I must admit I am really enjoying my morning drive in, with that beautiful view of the beach and sea to start the day.

This week, I have particularly enjoyed seeing how our school drivers of curious, creative and courageous are lived out across the school. From classrooms to the playground, it's clear these qualities are a real strength here. In assembly, I shared the story *The Secret Sky Garden*, which tells of a young girl who transforms a neglected rooftop into a beautiful garden. It was wonderful to hear the children making thoughtful links to our values—being curious in noticing the world around them, creative in imagining what things could become, and courageous in taking small steps to make a difference. The story sparked some lovely reflections on how even small actions can have a big impact.

Years 4 and 5 have had a fantastic time at camp. Despite some windy weather on the first night, the children embraced the experience brilliantly. I would like to extend a sincere thank you to the staff who gave their time to make this opportunity possible.

I am really enjoying getting to know everyone in school and in the local community. This week I attended the annual Parish Council meeting, which gave me a valuable insight into village life. I have also had the pleasure of meeting some of the many people who support our school, including music teachers, reading volunteers, and visitors working with our pupils in RE lessons.

It's not just the children who are learning—our staff continue to develop too. Mrs Harry attended a music conference on Wednesday, and we are looking forward to her sharing her learning with the team.

Weekly Achievement Certificates

Certificate of Excellence

Leilani - For being a really helpful member of Maple class.
 Leo.J - For super focus with all of his learning.
 Toby - For excellent work on fractions in Mathematics this week.
 Alfie Co - Amazing knowledge applications in geography.
 Arlia - For a fabulous cheery attitude on camp.
 Konan - For super positivity and excellent work all week.

Star Writers

Trent - For excellent phonics writing.
 Perran - For fantastic enthusiasm and taking pride in his work.
 George - For super handwriting.
 Maddie - For her fantastic report on a European country.
 Jake - For a descriptive independent story.
 Kade - For his scientific explanation of the role of the circulatory system.

Portreath Leaves

Toby - For showing gratitude to others.
 Rudy - For his creativity
 Darcy - For always being kind.
 Madison - For always being kind and thoughtful to others.
 Whole Class - For being courageous and showing each other kindness.
 Isla.H - For noticing when someone was feeling left out and inviting them to join in.

Sports Star

Leo.E - For playing well in during team building.

Maths Wizard

Tora

This week house winner is - Farthing Wood

House team scores

100 Acre Wood = 309
 Enchanted Wood = 321
 Farthing Wood = 343
 Forbidden Forest = 303



Attendance

This week's attendance:

Maple Class - 97.9%

Rowan Class - 94.8%

Sycamore Class - 93.3%

Birch Class - 97.1%

Hazel Class - 99.7%

Cherry Class - 92.4%

Whole school attendance
 for the year is currently is: 94.9%



BE CREATIVE



BE COURAGEOUS



BE CURIOUS



This week we have been enjoying some new resources in Maple class. In Maths, the children have been counting to 20 and beyond and have enjoyed putting the big numbers together in order outside. In our exploring area there has been some new miniature small world items which the children have used to create homes for the mini bugs. Our caterpillars have grown loads and the children have been using some felt shapes from the hungry caterpillar to sequence the story. Our eggs seem to be doing well and we are nearly half way through the incubation period.

Maple Class



Rowan Class



We have had a great week in Rowan. In English, we've been learning about fables. We have started to innovate the fable of The Mouse and The Lion with our own animal characters and we are looking forward to writing these next week. In Maths, we have been learning about equal groups and have done lots of practical work as part of this. In Science, we learned about signs of Spring and created some Spring landscapes as part of this. In Geography, we have continued to think about the weather and created a rain gauge to keep in our outside area to track the weather in Portreath over the course of the week. Finally, we were treated to a brass performance by Bill who wanted to show off his hard work from his music lessons!

Sycamore Class

This week in Mathematics we've been learning all about fractions! In our Writing lessons we have been looking into a number of different fables and over the last couple of days we have planned our very own fable based in Africa and focusing on the animals found there. In Computing, we have been practicing our photography skills! We have been learning about how to take and compose a good photograph and went outside to take some. We've been learning about the climate in Kenya and in Science we have been learning about the functions of different parts of a plant. PLEASE NOTE – PE WILL BE THURSDAY NEXT WEEK.



KINDNESS



EMPATHY



INCLUSION



HONESTY



GRATITUDE



This week we have LOVED diving deeper into The Iron Man and thinking about what might happen next. We have been busy writing our non-chronological reports on Europe and using our knowledge from our Geography lessons. They look fabulous!

In Maths, we have been getting to grips with adding and subtracting fractions. We have built on our knowledge and understanding of our fraction knowledge. In Science, we have been investigating how we see and which materials are the most and least reflective. We have been creative in RE while looking at how artists have portrayed the story of the Pentecost. We missed our Year 4 friends and were glad to see them again on Friday.

Birch Class



Hazel Class



It's been a fantastic week at camp, with the children showing real resilience, courage, and kindness throughout. The tents were kept impressively tidy, manners were excellent, and the children remained happy and positive. We kicked off with high ropes on the first day, where everyone demonstrated incredible bravery, followed by a silent disco in the evening that had the children dancing the night away. Although the first night was quite windy and sleep was a little disrupted, the children were unfazed and fully embraced the next day's activities, which included climbing and an exciting caving experience. Laser Tag in the evening became highly competitive and was a huge hit, along with a brilliant live entertainer. Our final activity was archery, where the children showed remarkable accuracy, and in a closely contested competition between the teachers, Mrs Jones emerged as the overall winner! A special mention goes to Tent No. 3, who were the victors in the tent inspection.

We have had a super busy and productive week in Cherry Class. In Science, we did a really fun drama activity to help us to answer our curious question "What is the role of the circulatory system" – it helped us to understand how and why the blood is transported around the body. Whilst we have been reactivating our knowledge for the upcoming SATs, we have also found time to enjoy our class reader whilst lying in the sun! On Wednesday, we really enjoyed our PE time during which we worked in teams to plan and carry out obstacle races which were inclusive for all. Then, on Thursday, we were lucky enough to go to see "The Boy at the Back of the Class" at the Hall for Cornwall. The tickets were free as we are a partner school with the Hall for Cornwall; it was an excellent production and we thoroughly enjoyed it.

Cherry Class



This week in Rowan class we played some skills games moving the tennis ball around and keeping control moving around different obstacles. In Hazel and Birch, we played some communication and tactic games, trying to crack codes, working as a team following a leader's instructions to use hoops to get across the court. They then finished with some tennis, developing the volley.

Well done to Arti (Sycamore) and Arlo (Cherry) for completing their first triathlon this weekend. Arti finished 2nd place in the 8 year old boys category and Arlo finished 4th place in the 11/12 year old boys category.

Sports News



Thought of the week



"Don't be afraid to take risks, either you win or you learn"

Beautiful Thoughts

TERM DATES

Bank Holiday - 4th May
Half Term - w/c 25th May
Last Day Summer Term - 22nd July

INSET DAYS

1st Jun 2026
23rd Jul 2026

PE DAYS

Maple - Thursday

Rowan - Monday

Sycamore - Friday

Birch - Tuesday

Hazel - Monday

Cherry - Wednesday

Wraparound Clubs

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	Games with Mrs Barnes and Miss Cafe
Tuesday	Outdoor Rangers with Miss Cafe Sewing club with Mrs Barnes KS2 (Y3+) Football with Mrs Seary
Wednesday	Craft club with Mrs Barnes & Miss Cafe KS2 (Y3+) Netball with Mrs Seary
Thursday	Outdoor Rangers with Miss Cafe & Mrs Barnes Lego club with Mrs Chiplin
Friday	Wraparound club with Mrs Barnes & Mrs Chevill