



PORTREATH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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School calendar

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

With the warmer weather beginning to arrive, please help children stay safe in the sun by ensuring they bring a named water bottle to school each day. On particularly sunny days, children may also wish to bring a sun hat (no sunglasses unless they are prescription). We recommend applying long-lasting sun cream before school. If children need to bring sun cream into school, please ensure it is clearly named.



Message from Mrs Carr

This week, we would like to send our very best wishes to all of our Year 6 children ahead of their SATs next week. They have worked extremely hard and should feel very proud of all they have achieved. A reminder that SATs breakfast will be served each morning between 8.00am and 8.15am.

Sycamore Class have kindly agreed to vacate The Orchard during SATs week to ensure that Year 6 have plenty of space and a calm, quiet environment. Therefore, we ask that Sycamore Class children are dropped off and collected from Sarah's Garden entrance during this time. Thank you for your support and understanding.

It has been another fantastic week in school with lots of exciting learning taking place. Highlights have included Bikeability sessions, celebrating Sir David Attenborough's birthday, enjoying time playing on the field in the sunshine, and, of course, lots of great learning across the curriculum.

We would like to invite parents and carers to our Open Classroom event next Tuesday 12th from 2.45pm. This is an informal opportunity for your child to share what they have been learning, look through their books and celebrate their successes with you. These are always popular events and, in order to help manage the number of visitors on site and keep everyone safe, we would appreciate your support in following the procedures for entering and exiting the building, as well as dismissing the children.

- The gate will open at 2.45pm for parents and carers to enter the site.
- Please make your way directly to your child's classroom using:
 - Sycamore and Cherry Classes – The Orchard entrance
 - Maple Class – Main Entrance
 - Birch Class – Pirate Ship entrance
 - Hazel and Rowan Classes – Sarah's Garden entrance
- Children will remain in classrooms with school staff throughout the event.
- If you have children in different classrooms, a prompt to move to the next classroom will be given at 3.00pm.
- At 3.10pm, parents and carers will be asked to leave classrooms and wait in the usual collection area.
- Children will then be dismissed as normal.

In the event of the fire alarm sounding during Open Classroom, we ask all visitors to leave the building immediately and assemble on the main playground, where staff will provide further guidance.

Please do not worry if you are unable to attend. We understand that work and other commitments can make this difficult, and we will ensure that all children still have the opportunity to share and celebrate their learning with others.

As always, thank you for working in partnership with us to support the children. We hope you have a restful weekend and wish our Year 6 children the very best for the week ahead.

Weekly Achievement Certificates

Certificate of Excellence

- Lowen - For being an enthusiastic learner.
 Lamorna - For super focus and hard work in phonics.
 Lilli - For always working hard and trying her best.
 Charlie.Sh - For being courageous on camp last week.
 Soren - For a focused attitude towards writing.
 Eva - For hard work and always contributing well to lessons.

Star Writers

- Kallie - For excellent writing in phonics.
 Phe Phe - For confidence with her innovation.
 Arti - For super effort when writing a wonderful fable.
 Tora - For a fantastic fact file about France in geography.
 Ernie - For great independent writing in geography about a rivers features.
 Arlo - For a great start to his balanced argument about space exploration.

Portreath Leaves

- Levan - For always thinking of others.
 Millie.R - For courage.
 Ella.T - For always being honest.
 Eva - For being courageous!
 Ella - For a creative approach towards science.
 Volodya - For being an excellent role model and always demonstrating the value of kindness.

Sports Star

- Eadie - For fantastic skills and confidence in after school football and netball.

Maths Wizard

- Nelly - For earning 6 gems.

This week house winner is - 100 Acre Wood

House team scores

- 100 Acre Wood = 155
 Enchanted Wood = 135
 Farthing Wood = 144
 Forbidden Forest = 127



Attendance

This week's attendance:

- Maple Class - 96.4%
 Rowan Class - 95.8%
 Sycamore Class - 94.6%
 Birch Class - 97.2%

Hazel Class - 98.8%

Cherry Class - 95.6%

Whole school attendance for the year is currently is: 95.1%



BE CREATIVE



BE COURAGEOUS



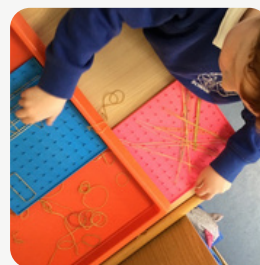
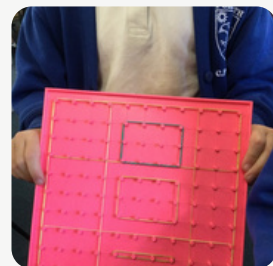
BE CURIOUS



This week in maths we have been manipulating 2D shapes. We have been rotating them to make them fit patterns. The children have used the Geoboards to create their own shapes and pictures.

Our caterpillars are now developing into the next stage of their lives. The children have found this fascinating to watch. The children were very surprised to find some newts in with the tortoises even though we had put them back in the pond! They have told the tortoises to be kind to them whilst they are staying. We are now on egg watch too as day 21 is next week. We are very eggcited!

Maple Class



Rowan Class



We have had another busy week in Rowan class! In science, we were learning all about summer and sunny weather. We used UV beads to understand how the sun's rays work and talked about how we can protect ourselves. In English, we have been writing our own versions of the fable The Mouse and the Lion. On Wednesday, we evaluated different fruits as part of DT, in preparation to make fruit kebabs for our grown ups to enjoy at Open Classroom next week. We finished off the week with a wonderful walk to Illogan Woods where we were spotting signs of Spring.

Sycamore Class

We have had a lovely week in Sycamore Class this week. In our writing lessons, we have written amazing fables of our own with strong moral lessons. Next week, we will be moving on to a new poetry unit. In mathematics, we've continued our learning on fractions. In science, we planted our very own sunflowers and decorated our pots carefully using collage. In computing, we've continued learning to improve our photography skills and discussed when portrait or landscape photographs might be more appropriate. We produced beautiful artwork focusing on the Kenyan landscape as part of our geography learning.



KINDNESS



EMPATHY



INCLUSION



HONESTY

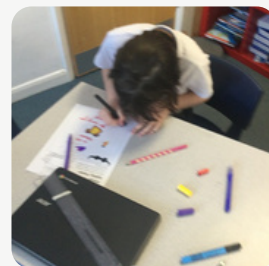
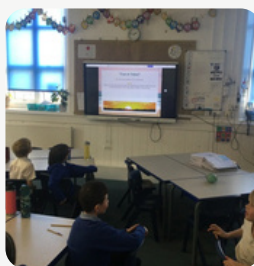


GRATITUDE



It may have been a short week, but we have been super busy with our learning. It has been lovely to be all back together again and hearing about the adventures of camp. In writing this week, we have been learning about newspaper articles and were very curious to find out the features of newspaper articles. Ask us to list some of the features. In geography we have explored what life is like in France. We studied pictures, discovered facts but the highlight was the food tasting. YUM! We then used our knowledge to create a fact file all about France. Finally, the week drew to a close with us exploring sun safety and carrying out an investigation in science.

Birch Class



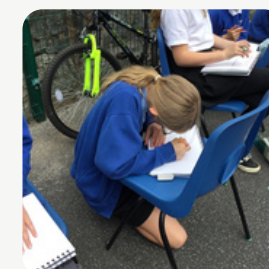
Hazel Class



This week, Hazel enjoyed more fantastic learning about the water cycle and the important part rivers play within it. In science, we pondered the question, "Why do puddles disappear?" and carried out our own mini investigation to explore evaporation. The children loved discussing their results and sharing their scientific ideas. In English, we began our explanation writing unit, which will culminate in the children independently writing explanations about the water cycle, linking beautifully with both science and geography. In geography, we explored the question, "Where do we find rivers?" using atlases to locate rivers in the UK, Europe, and North and South America. We also studied aerial and oblique photographs and discussed the differences between them.

Cherry Class

We have spent some time this week reactivating our knowledge in preparation for SATs next week. We have all worked incredibly hard on this and feel ready to show off what we can do (although we are already looking forward to our ice-cream treat at the end of the assessments!) In addition to our revision, we have enjoyed continuing with our history topic about the legacy of Isambard Kingdom Brunel; this week we learnt about what made the design of the SS Great Britain unique. We are also really enjoying our art focus this term looking at, and working in the style of, the art of Norman Cornish.



This week some of Year 5 completed Bikeability Level 1 and 2. The children started on the playground; they completed a bike check and spoke about what to do each time they ride a bike to make sure they are ready to ride. The children then practiced their stopping distance when riding around the playground, assessing when it's clear for them to go when riding with others and then moving around the playground cones. Children then went out onto the road to learn about passing distance, making u turns and using signals when coming to junctions. Well done to all the children who completed their assessments this week. More sessions to follow for Year 3, Year 5 and Year 6 soon.

Sports News



Thought of the week

"The more that you read, the more things you will know, the more that you learn, the more places you'll go." – Dr. Seuss

TERM DATES

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

COMMUNITY NEWS

**WANT TO GO FLYING, CAMPING, SHOOTING
AND LEARN LIFE SAVING SKILLS?**



77 (REDRUTH) AIR CADET SQUADRON

**ARE RECRUITING!
SQUADRON OPEN DAY**

Saturday 30th May

RRH Portreath TR16 4RA

10am Arrival

Ages 12+



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AIR FORCE
AIR CADETS**
the next generation

