



PORTREATH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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School calendar

10th Jul - Open Class 8:40 - 9:10am
 10th Jul - Y5/6 Science Fair
 13th Jul - Whole School Show 2pm
 13th Jul - Whole School Show 6pm
 16th Jul - Y5/6 Splash Event
 21st Jul - Leavers Assembly 2pm
 17th Nov - Flu Immunisations
 19th Nov - Portrait Photographs
 10th Dec - Hall For Cornwall 'Dick Whittington' Performance trip

Safeguarding and Health and Safety

You may have seen recent news reports about counterfeit "squishy" toys, including Squishy Dumplings and Needoh-style toys. Some copies may not meet UK safety standards and could contain harmful chemicals. When buying toys online, even from large marketplaces such as Amazon, please check for appropriate UKCA or CE safety markings, age guidance, warnings, and manufacturer/importer details. Many items are sold by third-party sellers, so it is important to check carefully. Please also remind children never to heat or microwave these toys, as this can cause serious burns..



Message from Mrs Carr

As another busy week comes to an end, we have once again been treated to lots of exciting opportunities and experiences across the school.

One of the highlights of the week was welcoming the Hall for Cornwall team into school as we began creating our whole school production: *Where Stories Take Us*. The children thoroughly enjoyed the workshops and are already excited about bringing the show to life later this term.

Our sponsored sports circuits was another fantastic success. Every child took on the challenge with enthusiasm, determination and plenty of smiles. We were delighted to welcome David Hill into school to share his sporting experiences, inspire the children and encourage them throughout the event. Thank you to everyone who has already returned sponsorship forms. Your support will help us continue to develop sporting opportunities and equipment for our children.

A huge thank you once again to Kerensa and everyone at Jay Bird Deli for making the Year 6 takeover such a memorable experience. We are thrilled to share that the event raised over £500, which will be shared between our PTA and Cancer Research UK. What a wonderful achievement by our Year 6 children and the local community who supported them.

It was also a pleasure to welcome members of the Crofty Trustees into school this week. They thoroughly enjoyed seeing learning in action across the school and were especially impressed by Beth and Eva, who did a fantastic job as our tour guides. They represented Portreath School brilliantly.

Congratulations also to our Key Stage 2 pupils who represented the school at the Cornwall Athletics Championships on Thursday. We are incredibly proud of the commitment, determination and sportsmanship they showed throughout the day.

Across the school, the children continue to work hard and make the most of every learning opportunity. As the end of term approaches, I have been particularly impressed by the focus, resilience and positive attitudes I see whenever I visit classrooms. It has been another wonderful week at Portreath School.

Weekly Achievement Certificates

Certificate of Excellence

Tyler - For being courageous and showing resilience during our sports activities

Layla - For her smiley and determined attitude

Reef - For excellent effort and enthusiasm during our circuit session with David Hill

Madison - For always giving 100% in all lessons

Penny - For a creative approach to her dance performance

Lowen - For enthusiasm and all round hard work

Star Writers

Lowenna - For independent writing in RW1

Charlie - For working hard on his handwriting

Noah - For an excellent piece of independent writing as a famous miner

Lochie - For a cracking Cornish piskie story

Joel - For beautiful neat handwriting

Eva - For writing fab alternative song lyrics

Portreath Leaves

Lowen - For always being honest and kind to others

Chloe - For courage and resilience with our athlete circuits

Arthur - For always being kind

Bodhi - For always being creative and thinking outside the box

Tyga - For showing creativity in dance

Frankie - For showing creativity in the preparation of our school show

Sports Star

Albie - For fantastic fielding in rounders.

Maths Wizard

Mila.G - For earning 10 gems

This week house winner is - Farthing Wood

House team scores

100 Acre Wood = 160

Enchanted Wood = 161

Farthing Wood = 194

Forbidden Forest = 183



Attendance

This week's attendance:

Maple Class - 96.1%

Rowan Class - 94.3%

Sycamore Class - 93%

Birch Class - 94.9%

Hazel Class - 98.1%

Cherry Class - 93.5%

Whole school attendance for the year is currently is: 94.7%



BE CREATIVE



BE COURAGEOUS



BE CURIOUS



Maple Class

This week has been a big mixture in Maple class. We have begun creating our scenery for the end of year show. So lots of painting and making was the main agenda. On Wednesday the children had a fantastic experience with David Hill. He pushed the children to try exercises they hadn't done before, but they all gave it a good go. Also on Wednesday the new Maple children came to their stay and play session so Miss Café took the current Maple outside for some outdoor learning. They had a lovely time - thank you Miss Café.



Rowan Class



We have had lots of exciting visits from lots of interesting people this week! We were lucky to have a visit from our outdoor and gardening expert Sandy, who helped us to plant our very own bean plants as part of our Science unit. We had a wonderful time getting active with David Hill on Wednesday and on Thursday we had a visit from Erica from the Hall for Cornwall, who helped us begin to choreograph our performance for the end of term show. We also managed to squeeze in some story time where we finished our class novel *George's Marvellous Medicine*.

What a busy week we've had in Sycamore Class. We had so much fun completing a circuit session with David Hill and learning more about him in his interesting assembly. In Mathematics, we've been looking at shape patterns to finish our unit on Position and Direction. In Science, we created leaflets on how to care for plants properly and as part of our Topic learning, we produced a piece of extended writing imagining that we were miners. In RE, we've been considering why and how everyone is valuable and how this is shown in different religions and between people. To finish our Writing unit on instructions, next week we will be independently writing instructions on how to grow and care for a plant. We are really looking forward to working closely with the Hall for Cornwall to prepare for our end of year show.

Sycamore Class



KINDNESS



EMPATHY



INCLUSION



HONESTY



GRATITUDE



This week, Birch have been extremely busy with our learning. In Science, we investigated why some magnets are attached to each other and some repel each other before learning about magnetic fields. In Computing, we were creative while learning how to use different inputs to move a sprite around the screen. Next session, we will be creating our own game. However, the highlights of the week, must be the visits from the GB athlete visit and from Simon from Hall for Cornwall. We LOVED our session with David Hill and gave it 100%. Then, we worked with Simon to start our piece for the end of year show. It is starting to look AMAZING!

Birch Class



Hazel Class

This week in English, we began exploring newspaper reports, looking closely at their features and analysing how they are written. In Science, we were curious to discover how a baby grows before it is born. We also plotted scatter graphs to investigate the correlation between the number of weeks and a baby's growth. In History, we explored the question: How did England become a unified country? This sparked some thoughtful discussions as we learned about the events and people that shaped the nation. In Music, we continued learning songs inspired by Viking sagas. Our favourite is still "Loki the Joker!", which everyone enjoys singing with enthusiasm. We also loved having Erica with us this week to help plan our performance for the show. The children demonstrated great creativity, enthusiasm, and a positive attitude as they embraced new ideas and were willing to try new things. We are looking forward to sharing our performance with you soon!



Cherry Class

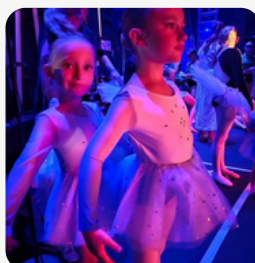
This week has presented a number of new experiences for Cherry Class. Lots of the children have had their secondary school transition days and have come back excited for their journey ahead, whilst back in school, we had the amazing opportunity to work with Justin, a sound artist and sonic detective who works with the Hall for Cornwall, to produce a soundscape for our upcoming school show. In addition, we have also been working with Simon, who is a producer and director, to write a show script – exciting! On Monday, we had Kerensa and Mark come back in to do the follow up of our Deli Take Over and they revealed that we had made a massive profit of £519.83 – to be split equally between the P.T.A and Cancer Research.



Sports News

What a fantastic week for sports, the children and staff enjoyed our athlete event on Wednesday and were inspired by our athlete David Hills determination and focus to achieve his goals. Don't forget all sponsorship needs to be in by Wednesday 8th July.

What a week for outside of school achievements. Well done to Pheobe, Madison and Eadie for taking part in their first football tournament for their team. Well done to Charlie and Bodhi on their football end of season for being awarded the 'Fair Play' award, as voted by the other teams coaches in the league. Also, Bodhi for getting players player. Well done to Esme, Reina, Sienna, Izzy, Millie N and Layla who performed in a dance show at the Hall for Cornwall. Well done to Esmae for getting gymnast of the month award from Gazelle gymnastics club.



Thought of the week



TERM DATES

Last Day Summer Term - Wednesday
22nd July
(no after school clubs)
First Day Autumn Term - 3rd Sept 2026
Half Term - w/c 26th Oct
Last Day Autumn Term - 16th
December

INSET DAYS

23rd Jul 2026
23rd Oct 2026
2nd Nov 2026
17-18th Dec 2026
7th Jun 2027

PE DAYS

Maple - Thursday
Rowan - Monday
Sycamore - Friday
Birch - Tuesday
Hazel - Monday
Cherry - Wednesday

Wraparound Clubs

PLEASE NOTE ALL SCHOOL LUNCHES AND 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

Great Athlete Event – David Hill

We have already raised over £500!



On Thursday ten children from the school attended Cornwall Primary Schools Athletics Championships 2026 at Carn Brea Leisure Centre. It was a mixture of track and field events, and Portreath were one of 13 schools from across the county who attended the event. It was a great performance from the children representing the school with lots of enthusiasm and great performances. It was gold for Isambard in the Yr 3 vortex throw, hurling it a whopping 23.47 metres! Jessamy also came away with a bronze in the Yr 3 75 metre final and a medal in the Speed Bounce! This proved to be a great event for Portreath with Taylor also taking a medal! All of the children did brilliantly in their events and heats, and a number of them made the finals. In 2027 hopefully we can take on more events and come home with more medals and personal bests!



For anyone interested in having a go at athletics opportunities are available at Cornwall Athletics Club (from age 9) and Cornwall Athletics Academy (from age 4-16) both based at Carn Brea Leisure Centre – check out their websites.



Thank you to Sam Sender from CMST for the assembly where some of our children played the piano for the whole school.

