



Friday 10th May 2024

Pennoweth News

What a wonderful week we have been blessed with at Pennoweth. This doesn't just include the welcomed arrival of some sunnier weather!

This week the afternoon clubs have again been well attended and the arrival of some interesting guests have inspired our learners to achieve even more within their lessons.

On Thursday the children were met with a musical welcome throughout the morning, as 'Rocksteady' treated the children to a concert. The children, were not just audience members however, as many of the children got the opportunity to perform with the Band Leader Tom. It was fair to say that the children were thoroughly excited and enthused throughout the number of performances and we hope that many of the children decide to take up the opportunity of taking part in a band.

Whilst on Friday, George Eustice arrived to greet a number of the children from across the school. He was guided around the new build by a few of our School Councillors and then thrust in front of the Year Fives and Sixes for a Q & A session which involved raising issues in the local area followed by a discussion around what it meant to be an Member of Parliament.

All in all, a fairly busy week, even by our standards. Now without further ado, we will start our usual weekly round up from across the school below.

Nursery

This week's nursery activities centred around exploring the enchanting world of bird songs in our outdoor classroom. Motivated by their fascination, the children collaborated to erect a bird look-out discreetly tucked away among the trees, enabling them to observe a variety of birds without causing any disruption.

Keystage One

This week the Year One children have been enjoying their geography lessons where they enjoyed learning to locate hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the equator.

Elsewhere, in Year Two have children have enjoyed their English lessons where they have been planning their super hero character descriptions.

Keystage Two

The children this week in Lower Keystage Two have continued to develop their knowledge of the Ancient Greeks in particular the 'Battle of Marathon' and how military tactics were developed during this time period. In addition, they have spent time understanding how the battle got its name and who the significant figures were during this major event in Greek history.

In Upper Keystage Two, the children continue to develop their knowledge around the Victorians. This week, the children have spent time harnessing their Art skills through sketches whilst also developing their understanding around the industrial revolution and its impact on British technology. It was safe to say that the invention of the steam engine dramatically impacted the nation and made it one of the fastest growing industrial eras across time.

Well done #TeamPennoweth on another amazing week!

Our phase email addresses are:

eyfs@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk (for Nursery and Reception)

KS1@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk (for Years 1 and 2)

lowerKS2@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk (for Years 3 and 4)

upperKS2@pennoweth.cornwall.sch.uk (for Years 5 and 6)

School Lunches

Week beginning 06/05/24

(Week 2 choices from the Summer Term Menu)

Chartwells meal menu is on the school website



Dates for your diary

Bank Holiday

Monday 6th May 2024

End of Summer half term one

24th May 2024

INSET Day

Monday 3rd June 2024

Start of Summer Half Term Two

Tuesday 4th June 2024

End of Summer Half Term Two

Wednesday 24th July 2024

Please view page two of the Newsletter for further term dates.

A message for our Community—Announcements from the Government

The entitlement criteria for automatic payments from the Household Support Fund is changing.

In order to be entitled to a payment from the Household Support Fund scheme in 2024, you must be responsible for at least one child and on 3rd June 2024 either:

be entitled to Council Tax Support or

have been placed in emergency accommodation by the Council You will receive £80 per child. If you are already in receipt of Council Tax Support, then you don't have to do anything else – you will receive your payment automatically.

To find out if you are eligible for Council Tax Support, please check the information here <https://www.gov.uk/benefits-calculators> .

You can make a claim for Council Tax Support by using this link <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/council-tax-support/apply-for-council-tax-support/>

It is important that you submit your application by 31st May 2024.

You may also be entitled to help from the Household Support Fund via one of the Household Support Fund partners. Their details can be found here <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/household-support-fund/>

Why have we made this change?

Because entitlement to Free school meals has been protected since 2018, parents of children who are entitled to free school meals aren't always still on a low income. By using our Council Tax Support data, we can ensure that the Household Support Fund awards are going to parents who currently have a low income and are struggling with the increased costs of running their home. By better targeting the awards, we are able to help families with children of any age, rather than just school age children.

Families of children in receipt of free school meals can still access help through the Time2Move holiday programme. This scheme offers fun physical activities, games and wider activities plus a meal for all children during the main school holiday periods.

A message for all our parents

There will be a menu change for next week with Friday's usual menu taking place on Thursday.

Therefore the following will be in place for next week:

Thursday:

- Southern Fried Chicken and Chips
- Quorn Dippers and Chips
- Jacket Potato
- Tomato Pasta
- Sandwiches

Friday:

- Loaded Beef Nachos
- Veggie Nachos
- Jacket Potato
- Tomato Pasta
- Sandwiches



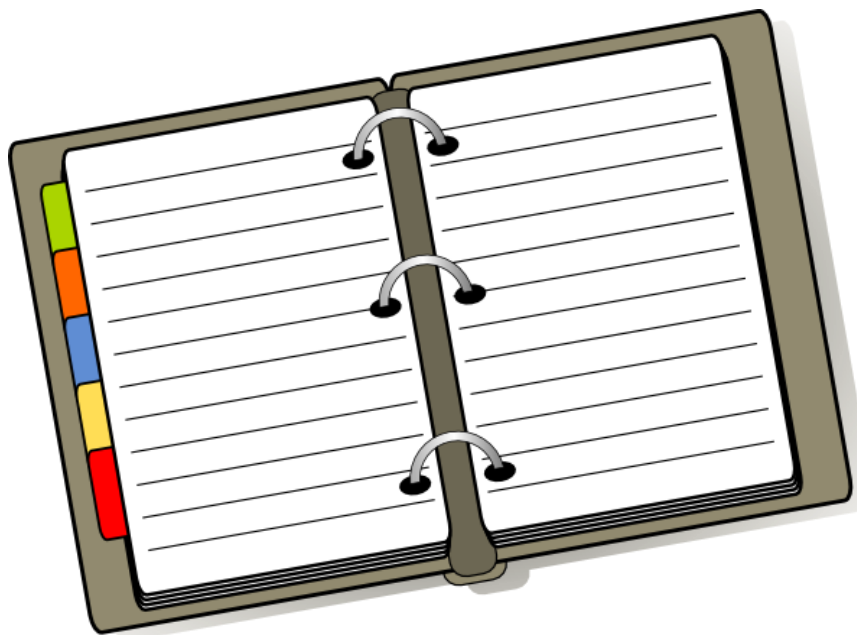
Key Upcoming Dates for your Diaries

Monday 13th May—16th May 2024

Year 6 SAT's Week

Thursday 23rd—Friday 24th May 2024

Year 4 Camp @ Pill Farm




Our DNA

Everything we do in school is shaped by our Pennoweth DNA statements. Each week each phase team identifies one child who has done a fantastic job of demonstrating each strand of the DNA. Well done to all the children below.

We are safe.
We feel loved.
We take responsibility.
We are always learning.
We are ready.

Congratulations to our stars of the week from each class! Well done everyone!

Quality	Year R, Y1 and Y2	Year 3+4	Year 5+6
Safe	Ayla (Porthcurno)	Blake (Godrevy)	Emily (Poldark)
Loved	Logan (Gwithian)	Diti (Godrevy)	Noah G (Levant)
Responsible	Riley (Mevagissey)	Abi (Lizard)	Jayden (Geevor)
Learning	Coby (Restormel) Olivia (Tintagel) Enid (Mevagissey)	Joseph (Lizard)	Jazmin (Poldark)
Ready	Toby (Restormel) Lyle (Tintagel) Rubi (Newlyn)	Aliza (Pendeen)	James (Levant)

Pendennis Daily Awards	Tintagel Aaliyah
Restormel Darcey	Porthcurno Taylor
Gwithian Piran	Newlyn James
Mevagissey Robert	Pendeen Alesha Mae
Godrevy Charlie	Lizard Tiana
Levant Summer	Geevor Tyler
Poldark Maddie	

Read Write Inc.
Phonics



Headteacher's

Phonics Star of the Week

Awarded to

Ruari (Tintagel)

10/05/24

Date



C. Andrews

Signature



Read Write Inc.
Phonics



Headteacher's

Phonics Star of the Week

Awarded to

Darsh (Gwithian)

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Attendance

We aim for all our children to have at least 96% attendance throughout the year.

Overall attendance for this week was

92.6%

See below for the attendance for each class last week.

Pendennis	88.7%
Tintagel	95.7%
Restormel	94.9%
Porthcurno	90.5%
Gwithian	94.7%
Newlyn	92.9%
Mevagissey	92.2%
Pendeen	98.8%
Lizard	92.4%
Godrevy	95%
Levant	98.4%
Geevor	94.4%
Poldark	95.6%

Congratulations Pendeen class!

Unauthorised Exceptional Leave of Absence Information

The law requires parents to ensure their children receive an efficient full time education, and every minute of every day is important. Please help them not to miss any of the valuable time.

We hope that when you read the information outlined on our website, you will consider that your child's education is too important to take on

holidays during term time.

If an unauthorised leave of absence is taken, this may incur a penalty

notice being issued under Section 444A and 444B of the Education Act 1996. This carries a fine of £60 if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the penalty notice will result in Court action.

Unauthorised Late Information

If your child is arriving late—after the register has closed at 8:50am it will be coded as a U which, is an unauthorised late mark. If your child accrues 20 unauthorised late marks within 100 sessions (10 weeks) you will be

committing an offence under the Education Act 1996.

The School may refer the matter to Cornwall Council who may decide to take legal action against you, issuing a penalty notice under section 444A and 444B of the Education Act 1996. This carries a fine of £60 per child, per parent if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the penalty notice will result in Court action.

Persistent absences/unauthorised lates, not authorised by the school, may result in a prosecution in the Magistrates Court, leading to fines up to £2500 and/or custodial sentences.



Online Safety Update

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about HELLDIVERS 2



WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Within weeks of release, *Helldivers 2* had become one of 2024's biggest gaming success stories. The sequel to a top-down shooter from 2015 has smashed sales expectations, owing to its frantic gameplay and tongue-in-cheek humour. However, the game comes with several risks to younger players, as indicated by its 18+ rating.

PEGI 18 RATING



Due to its intense violence and the presence of in-game purchases, *Helldivers 2* carries a PEGI 18 rating. While players are generally fighting fantastical enemies like giant bugs and robots, their characters can be killed in various gruesome ways, up to and including dismemberment. It's certainly worth considering whether such a game is appropriate for younger players.

IN-GAME PURCHASES

In *Helldivers 2*, players can use real money to buy in-game currency, with which they can unlock cosmetics and new weapons. At the time of writing, all the in-game items can be acquired without spending so much as a penny – but excited young players wanting to keep up with their friends may still feel the temptation to purchase new weapons more quickly, rather than laboriously earning the in-game currency through play.

VOICE CHAT AND MESSAGING

Helldivers 2 is always played online with others, who often use voice chat or in-game texts to coordinate, strategise or just joke around. This does mean that children who play without their friends will be put in contact with strangers. Unfortunately, this represents a roll of the dice, as the game can't control how people treat each other online. However, you can easily report other players for abusive behaviour via the game's 'Social' tab.

FRUSTRATION TRIGGER

The thrill of barely scraping through a dangerous mission in one piece is integral to *Helldivers 2*'s appeal. To accentuate this feeling of achievement, the game includes some very difficult levels that could prove to be too hard for some players – even those who are legitimately old enough to play. Losing streaks can be incredibly annoying, so repeatedly failing in missions could easily provoke frustration or anger in younger players.

LACK OF ACCESS

The game is available on PC and PS5, but not (as yet) on other consoles. Some people will naturally be disappointed they can't get involved and might look for similar alternatives to play on their own console – alternatives which may contain similar levels of violence and gore but lack the same balanced approach to user misconduct and in-game purchases as *Helldivers 2*.

Advice for Parents & Educators

GIVE IT A GO FIRST



Helldivers 2 is a third-person shooter with intentionally humorous elements, but much of its comedy is rooted in satire which may go over the heads of some players. Consider playing the game first yourself – while shooting bugs and robots feels too unrealistic to be upsetting, seeing your character get torn to pieces may be too much for young players.

SET EXPECTATIONS



At the time of writing, *Helldivers 2* costs £34.99. It could turn out to be an expensive and wasteful purchase if a player gets irritated and gives up shortly after receiving the game. If a young person tends to become frustrated easily, it's worth considering whether *Helldivers 2* is really the game for them.

CONSIDER ALTERNATIVES



If playing on Xbox – where *Helldivers 2* isn't available – consider something like *Halo: The Master Chief Collection* as an alternative. One of its game modes – *Firefight* – replicates *Helldivers 2*'s mechanics to some degree. Alternatively, younger players may be better suited to the more light-hearted *Deep Rock Galactic*, which sees them play as fantasy dwarves in space, involving far less gruesome violence.

KEEP AN EYE ON PAYMENTS



Many titles offer in-game purchases, but *Helldivers 2*'s are comparatively cheap. You'll still need to monitor your payment information (or use a prepaid card on the account), in case your child buys the in-game currency in bulk; on the whole, however, the game's selling methods are far less egregious than most similar titles on the market.

MONITOR COMMUNICATION & ADJUST SETTINGS



Thanks to an in-game "Ping" system (allowing players to highlight important details without speaking), communication isn't as integral to *Helldivers 2* as it is in other games. You can turn off the chat options in-game on PC, or on the PS5's own settings, and feel more secure in the knowledge that your child won't be speaking to people they don't know.

Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is the Editor in Chief of GGRecon, and has been working in the games media industry for five years. As well as being an avid long-time gamer, he is also a parent and therefore understands the importance of online safety. Writing mainly about tech and fitness, his work has been published on sites including IGN, TechRadar and many more.



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HOCKEY SESSIONS



EVERY SUNDAY 2nd June - 7th July

10:00-11:00 am

Pool Academy
4-12 years

£3 per session
card or cash payment



Qualified coach at every
session with sticks provided

Sessions will resume in September so keep up to
date on our Facebook page: duchyhockeyclub
PARENTS- why not join in on the adjoining pitch
for walking hockey - let's get you back into it!

WALKING HOCKEY



Want to give hockey a go, but don't have the
fitness? Looking to get back into playing or trying
something new - WALKING HOCKEY is for you!

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10:00-11:00 am

Pool Academy
TR15 3PZ

£3 per session
card or cash payment

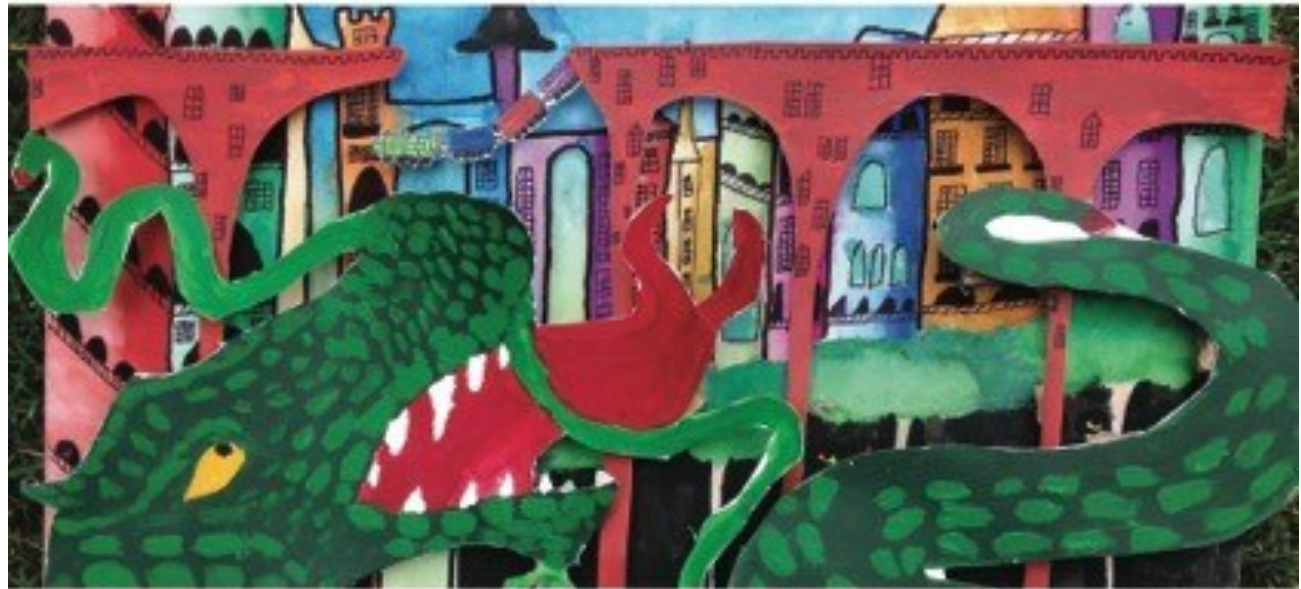


Sticks can be provided

Keep up to date on our Facebook
page: duchyhockeyclub



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An art club for children that...

- Provides a safe artistic space where children aged 6 - 16 have time to do long-term projects.
- Uses professional materials and delivers an in-depth art education.
- Builds children's confidence and self-esteem.
- Advises students studying GCSE how to build-up their sketchbook.

Mediums explored include: watercolours, acrylics, pastels, pencil, clay, papier maché.
All materials are provided. **Adults classes and private tuition also available.**



Session Times

Tuesday	14.00 - 15.30 (home educated group) 16.30 - 17.45
Wednesday	10.30 - 12.00 (home educated group) 16.30 - 17.45
Thursday	16.30 - 17.45
Saturday	9.30 - 11, 11.30 - 13.00 & 14.00 - 15.30

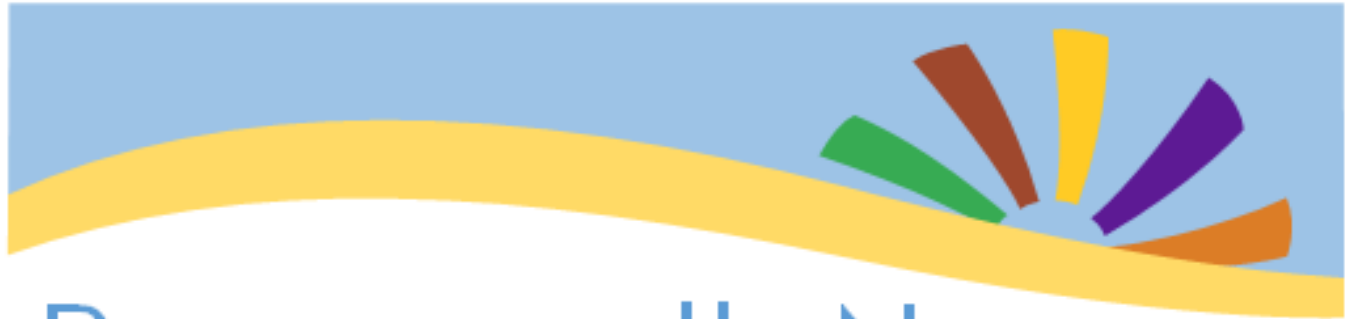
Contact us...

Barras Moor Farm, Perranarworthal,
Truro, Cornwall TR3 7PE

If you are interested in joining art-k
please contact **Sara** on **07852 674316**,
email her at sara@art-k.co.uk
or visit us online at www.art-k.co.uk

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Pennoweth Nursery

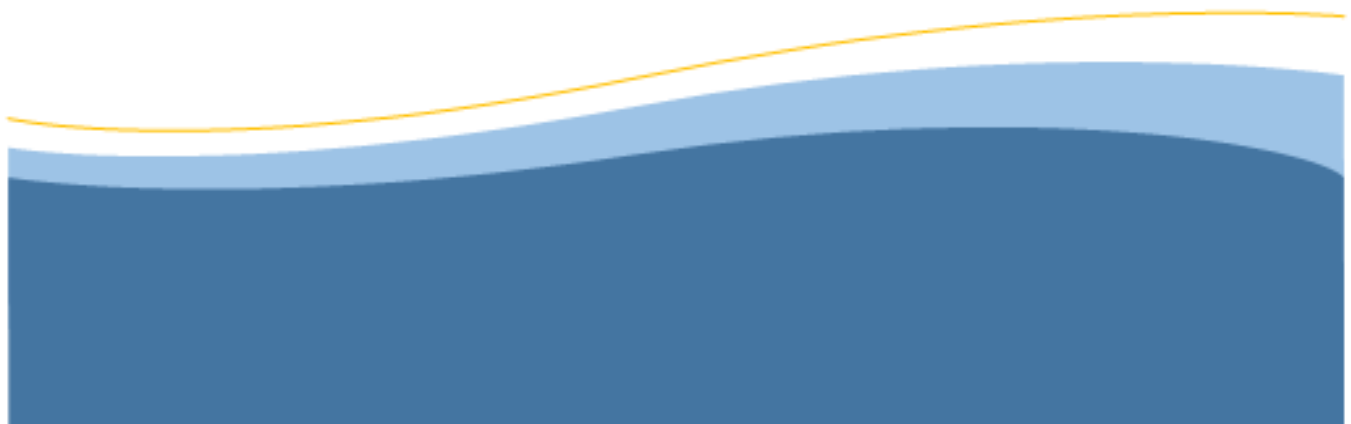
September 2024 places

Do you have a child born between
01-04-21 and 31-08-21?

If so, they will be eligible for 15hours free
education here at Pennoweth Nursery.

To apply for a place in September please pick
up a nursery admission form from the school office.

For more information or to arrange a visit
please contact Miss Booth on 01209 215671
or email pennowetheyfs@croftymat.org



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Information Classification: PUBLIC

Together for Families

Early Help Parenting Newsletter – Spring 2024

Free information, support and guidance for parents and carers.

Need help?

Contact the Early Help Hub on 01872 322277 for support, advice and guidance.

If you have immediate concerns, are worried about a child or young person's safety, please telephone the Multi Agency Referral Unit (MARU) on 0300 123 1116.

Parenting Support Workshops

We offer interactive parenting programmes both online and face to face. For more information about our parenting support on offer and to book onto a workshop please visit:

www.cornwall.gov.uk/parenting

The programmes currently available are:

Solihull: Understanding your Child – Supporting parents/carers of children aged 1 to 3, 4 to 8, or 9 to 11 (10 x 2-hour sessions)

Take 3 – Supporting parents/carers of teenagers aged 12-17 (10 x 2-hour sessions)

Living with Parents – a one day workshop for parents and their young person aged 12 to 17 years.

Supporting Healthy Relationships – (3 x 2-hour sessions)

- **Me, You and Baby Too** (for parents pre-birth – 12 months)
- **Arguing Better** (for parents of children aged 1 – 19)
- **Getting it Right for Children** (for separated/separating parents with children aged 0 – 19)

Understanding your Child with Additional Needs – a self-guided course accessed through Solihull:

<https://inourplace.heiapply.com/online-learning/course/36>. To access the course, please register for an account using the code TAMAR

- If accessing from a **computer**, please [click here](#)
- If accessing from a **mobile/tablet**, please [click here](#)

Bitesize Parenting

Bitesize parenting workshops are weekly 2-hour sessions (12:30 – 14:30) delivered by our parenting team to support on a wide range of topics. Please book on by visiting www.cornwall.gov.uk/parenting

Date	Bitesize Child (for parents/carers of children aged 4-11)
06.02.24	Remaining Calm
13.02.24	Praise and Rewards
20.02.24	Technology and Safety
27.02.24	Sibling Rivalry and Conflict
05.03.24	Bullying
12.03.24	Special time with your child
19.03.24	Supporting Education and School
26.03.24	Routines and Boundaries
Date	Bitesize Teen (for parents/carers of young people aged 12-19)
07.02.24	Sibling Rivalry and Conflict
14.02.24	Teenage Brain
21.02.24	Supporting Education and School
28.02.24	Mental Health and Wellbeing
06.03.24	Remaining Calm
13.03.24	Drugs and Alcohol
20.03.24	Technology and Safety
27.03.24	Body Image

“I found the agreements and I-statements to be valuable tool to tackle this week. You (the facilitator) have been amazing. Very clear messaging every week.”

– Parent of teenager attending Take 3

26-28 APRIL 2024

CHAPEL STREET
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Chapel Street FESTIVAL OF MUSIC

Prokofiev's **Peter & the Wolf**



Sun 28 April: 3pm and 4pm

Free Family Event

Chapel Street Methodist Church, Penzance, TR18 4AW

with the Minack Theatre Acting Academy
and Chapel Street Ensemble



For more info: www.chapelstreetmusic.co.uk  

Charity no: 1194510



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Chapel Street Methodist Church, Penzance, TR18 4AW

Fri 26 April **Tangos, Foxtrots & all that Jazz**
7 pm - Chapel Street Ensemble

Sat 27 April **The Big Wind Day**
1 pm - Young Musicians Platform - Free Event
6 pm - Wind Jam
Chapel Street Winds with young musicians

Sun 28 April **3 pm & 4 pm - Free Event**
Prokofiev's Peter & the Wolf with the Minack Theatre
Acting Academy and Chapel Street Ensemble
7pm - Music, when soft voices die
Music for voice, viola and piano

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ChatHealth Parent Line 0-5

Health Visiting messaging service for parents and carers
of children aged 0-5 in Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly

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ChatHealth Parent Line 5-19

School Nursing messaging service for parents and carers of children and young people 5-19 years in Cornwall and Isles of Scilly

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