



This week I attended the PTA meeting. The members of the PTA are dedicated to raising money for the school and providing opportunities to enrich the children's lives. You can find notes of the meeting on their Facebook page and I have added future dates to the newsletter. We reviewed last term's activities and looked forward to upcoming events. The Year 6 are performing at The Regal at the end of term. In order to make this happen we need to raise funds so the Year 6 staff and pupils are going to work with the PTA to create and run events. There will be a Y6 family quiz, which if it goes well we are hoping to run for other year groups. Rather than a colour run, this year we are running a sponsored fun run (but don't worry the colour run will be back!) The money raised will be split between Penhaligon's Friends and the PTA. They will also be running a Father's Day stall and we are hoping to run an outside disco at the end of term. The PTA do not have enough volunteers to run a summer fair but no-one wanted the children to miss out so Year 6 (with PTA support) are creating their very own fair with lots of activities, stalls and games in the school day.

This week I met with our Chair of Governors, Karen Brokenshire. As well as preparing for the upcoming governors' meeting we looked at the results of the parent survey. Thanks to all those who responded, I will create a summary of the survey to share with you and actions I plan to take or have taken as a result.

This week in assembly we explored the work of this half term's artist, Yayoi Kusama. Kusama is a Japanese artist who is often known as 'The Princess of Polka-dots'. Her art always includes dots and this is due to a dream she had when she was a child, when a field of flowers turned into dots. The dots symbolise the infinite nature of the universe and how we are all connected. Do take a look at some of her work online with your child!

I was lucky enough to pop into the 'Speech Bubbles' workshops that some of our Year 1 and 2 children are involved in. This week their parents were invited in to join them! Thanks to Mrs Kellow who runs these sessions that build children's confidence and language through drama.

Cassie Pamplin



Highlight of the Week

This week the Year 3 children were lucky enough to attend the Hall for Cornwall to watch, 'The Boy at the Back of the Class'. As a HfC partnership school we were given free tickets to this amazing show. The play highlights the power of good friends and courage in a world that doesn't always make sense and reminds us that everyone needs a place to call home. It is a show which celebrates the power of kindness, something I want all our children to understand. Our Reception children also benefitted from our HfC partnership this week, with their special minibeasts drama, dance and music workshops.



Thought of the Week



Reminder

Class photos—The school photo galleries close for free delivery and the discount this weekend. Do contact Hatchbox if you've not seen the QR code or viewed the gallery yet, their email is: photos@hatchboxphoto.co.uk Parents can still order after that but discount and free delivery to school will be closed.



Stars of the Week



DNA Awards *Learning-Kingsley, Matthew, Aylen, Lilly-Beth, Layla, Kairi, Lochlan, Maizie*
Ready-Amelia P, Sowenna, Esme, Tiana, Tom **Responsibility-Jensen, Bobby**
Loved-Hunter, Isabelle, Luna, Heaven, Kotryna, Kostia

Restormal - Lyra

For sharing your wonderful ideas with great confidence this week, well done!

Tintagel- Harry

For always being enthusiastic in everything that you do and looking after others.

Gwithian - Emily

For trying very hard with her writing, even when it was tricky.

Porthcurno - April

For being more focused with your independent learning this week.

Mevagissey - Arlie

For always being committed to his learning and striving to do his best.

Newlyn - Raife

For always being ready for his learning and trying his best in everything he does.

Lizard - Ayla

For being an exemplary role model in all areas of school life.

Pendeen - Maria

For being a brilliant friend and always showing kindness and compassion.

Godrevy - Eliza

For your positive attitude towards your work and everything you do at school.

Porthleven - Esme

For your beautiful presentation, 100% effort in everything you do and willingness to persevere when things get tough.

Levant - Harriet

For her courage, tenacity and her commitment to bringing her very best effort to everything she does.

Geevor - Albie P

For a fantastic week, full of focus and hard work.

Poldark - Isla

For consistently great focus and effort across all areas of learning.



Behaviour Beacons: *Maya, Charlotte, Elise, Luca, Darcy H*
Seb, Grayson, Freya, Kiyaan, Robert, Skyla, Aliza, Blake

Clubs

This week, some of our Year 4 and 5 girls started our TECgirls club! We were introduced to 'micro: bits' which are microcontrollers to help us learn how to code. We got familiar with the website used for our coding. At the end, we will be designing a model eco home using everything we have learnt. We are so excited to see all the creative ideas these amazing girls come up with. Well done everyone!

This week, Be the Change Club gathered to talk about our vision for the summer term. We are looking forward to making fortnightly visits to The Green Residential Home, where we will connect with residents and staff through conversation, games, colouring and stories. We began making an impact on our school community by gathering recycling from across the school and preparing it for collection. We are looking forward to identifying areas within our school and our wider community in which we can make a positive impact.



Nursery Learning Highlights

This week in nursery, the children were thrilled to experience some exciting news as two of our butterflies finally hatched—one of them right before our eyes! The children enjoyed observing and caring for them in our classroom butterfly home before proudly releasing them. As part of our new topic, 'Explorers', the children have been using iPads to take photographs of the world around them. Inspired by the photographer Charlie Waite, they have been investigating school landscapes and clouds, sharing their thoughts and discussing what they like and find interesting.

Reception Learning Highlights

This week we have enjoyed learning all about spiders in Reception. We found out lots of interesting facts and enjoyed reading the stories *AAAGH Spider!* and *Spinderella*. We loved having a visitor from the Hall for Cornwall who showed us different ways to use musical instruments to move like minibeasts.



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

Key Stage One Learning Highlights

This week, Year 1 have enjoyed exploring the 'contemporary fiction' genre in English. They have been developing their skills in sequencing events, using the past tense, and applying capital letters and full stops in their writing. In maths, we have continued learning about multiplication by counting in 2s and 5s and creating arrays. Our highlight of the week was exploring the artwork of James Rizzi and having a go at drawing and painting in his vibrant style. Have a look at our fantastic work! This week Year 2 have been exploring different Cornish folk tales and learning all about the characters, settings and features of tales such as the Mermaid of Zennor. In maths, we have been recognising unit and non-unit fractions and finding equivalent fractions. The focus of our DT this week was Cath Kidston and her famous designs. Well done everybody, enjoy the long weekend!



Lower Key Stage Two Learning Highlights

This week, Year 3, enjoyed our maths learning where we tried to work out the volume of water in different jugs. We continued with our project 'Flow' and used atlases to locate significant rivers around the world; can your child name any? We had a very exciting day on Thursday, and we all loved our trip to the Hall for Cornwall to see the Boy at the Back of the Class!

This week, year 4 have explored myths and quests and have enjoyed a range of activities.



The government Year 4 multiplication test is coming up. It would be great to see the children using their times table booklets and TTRS to support them with learning and memorising their tables as we get closer to the test. Knowing timestables facts off by heart can really help children's confidence and fluency in all maths lessons.



Upper Key Stage Two Learning Highlights

As part of their Revolution project, Year 5 and 6 pupils enjoyed a creative and inspiring Art Day exploring the work of influential Victorian artists.

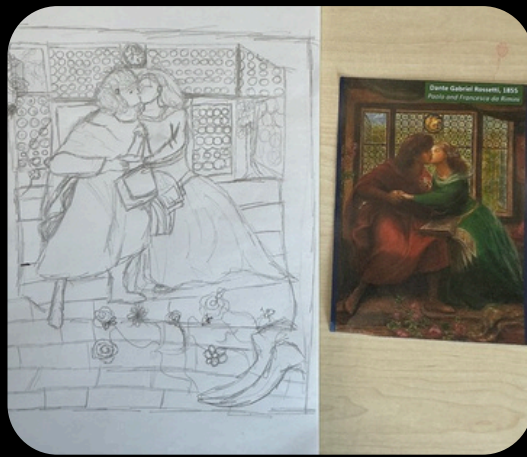
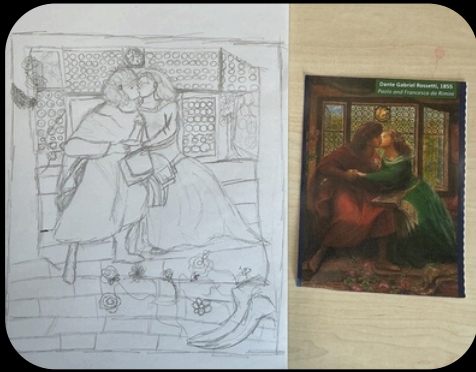
The day began with a focus on sketching, using "The First Council of Queen Victoria" by David Wilkie as a stimulus. Pupils studied the composition and expressions within the painting, developing their portrait skills and gaining an understanding of how artists capture character and emotion.

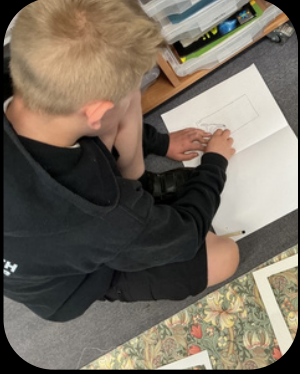
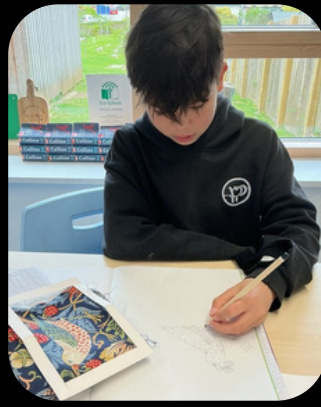
They then turned their attention to the designer William Morris, exploring his distinctive patterns and recurring themes inspired by nature. After practising drawing from examples, the children used Morris' style as inspiration to create their own original designs.

A special **thank you** goes to **Alfred Smith** in Penzance for generously lending us a range of William Morris fabric and wallpaper samples. These resources provided valuable hands-on inspiration and greatly enriched the pupils' learning experience.

To conclude the day, pupils studied the work of the Pre-Raphaelite artists, discussing the significance of their movement and its lasting influence on the art world.

Take a look at some of their amazing work!





Exercise of the Week

Each week we share an exercise that helps develop fine motor skills and strengthen fingers to improve handwriting. Doing these for a minute a day can make all the difference!

Wrist Rolls: Rotate wrists in a circular motion in both directions

Makaton Sign of the Week

Spring



Fingers closed move to open across chest, like a bud opening.

Attendance this week

Our aim is 96%

Tintagel	100%
Geevor	98.06%
Pendeen	97.08%
Levant	96.43%
Restormel	96%
Pendennis	95.77%
Poldark	96.56%
Porthcurno	95.38%
Godrevy	95.26%
Gwithian	94.85%
Lizard	94.18%
Mevagissey	92.91%
Porthleven	91.45%
Newlyn	90.62%
whole school this year	94.43%
national this year	94.60%

**Congratulations
Geevor**

Diary Dates

TBC=to be confirmed

4th May - Bank holiday
5th-6th May Y3&4 Porthpean Camp
w/c 11th May Y6 SATs week
15th May-Y4 Opera trip in Truro
19th May - Y5/6 Bodmin Jail trip
2nd June - Whole school fun run (TBC)
11th June Y6 Family quiz night (TBC)
13th June Murdoch Day
15th&16th June -Father's Day stalls
18th June - Y6/PTA school fair (TBC)
24th-26th June Y6 Bath Camp
6th-10th July Y5 Isles of Scilly Camp
14th July - Y6 Show at The Regal
15th July-Sports Day-KS1 am, KS2 pm(TBC)

Term Dates:

Start of Summer Term 1 Monday 20th April
BANK HOLIDAY Monday 4th May
Last Day of Summer 1 Friday 22nd May
Start of Summer 2 Monday 1st June
Inset Day Monday 29th June
Last Day of Summer 2 Wednesday 22nd July

2026/27

Autumn - 3rd September-17th December
(half term 26th-30th October)
Spring - 6th January-25th March
(half term 15th-19th February)
Summer - 12th April-21st July
(half term 31st May-4th June)

School Lunches

Week beginning 4/5/26
Week 1 choices from the
Spring/Summer Term Menu
Please see Chartwells meal menu
on the school website for details

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Our phase email addresses are:

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

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Music Lessons

Music lessons are now available at school for
Woodwind instruments provided by CMST.

Flute Clarinet Saxophone
Recorder Fife

In order to get your child's musical journey underway please sign up on our website below or contact us on office@cmst.co.uk

For more information head to:
CMST.co.uk/learnmore

Hear Music.
Learn Music.
Play Music.

Sign Up At:
CMST.co.uk/signup

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On Tuesday afternoon, we had a woodwind teacher, called Helen, run an assembly. She demonstrated some instruments to the children to see if there is any interest in music lessons with her.



CAMBORNE CC ALLSTARS & DYNAMOS 8TH MAY 2026 6PM

WHOLE SUMMER OF FUN

Come and give cricket a go

ALLSTARS 5 - 8 YEARS
DYNAMOS 8 - 11 YEARS
BOYS & GIRLS WELCOME






Further News and Community Announcements

Pennoweth 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 necessarily endorse these services.