



This week our local MP, Perran Moon, visited the school. I spoke to him about the school, what makes it special, the challenges we face and the importance of receiving the resources we need. We also discussed the free breakfast club that we are hoping to launch in September, that he has helped to secure. We toured the school and then he spoke with the Year 5 and 6 children about his role and answered their questions. He enjoyed meeting the school dogs, as well as our amazing children and he said that he thought the school was brilliant.

Next week the Year 6 children will be sitting their end of Key Stage 2 tests (SATs). The children and staff have worked so hard in preparation and I know they will do themselves proud. The tests are important, and we want the children to do their very best. However, I would like to remind everyone that SATs only test a small part of what school is all about and we are proud of all they are, and all they achieve. All we can ask is that they try their very best! The staff work hard to keep the test situation as relaxed as possible, as we do not want them to feel anxious; anxiety stops the brain functioning at its best. My best advice for parents is to remind your child how fantastic they are, be positive with your child about the tests, and make sure they get plenty of sleep!

The Year 3 and 4 campers had a fantastic time at Porthpean and created memories that they will treasure forever! Thanks to the amazing staff who accompanied the children: Mr Moore, Miss Booth, Mrs Kerry, Mrs Howells, Mrs Matthews, Mrs Barnaby and Mrs Goldsworthy. Congratulations to Mrs Goldsworthy! She announced to her class that she is expecting a baby in October! The children are very excited!

Hopefully you have all received the letter about pre-ordering lunches after half term. This gives the parents and children the opportunity to discuss and select the lunch together, each day or in advance. This should make things easier in the kitchen and prevent anyone building up a debt. Don't worry if your child is absent, we cancel the lunch so you won't be charged.

Happy 100<sup>th</sup> birthday to Sir David Attenborough! The Year 3 and 4 children, who did not attend camp, did some wonderful work about him as well as lots of outdoor learning. Next week we will be having an assembly to celebrate him and how he has changed how people view the world and inspired people to want to protect it.

**Cassie Pamplin**



### Highlight of the Week

As well as a visit from Perran Moon, the children in Year 2-6 got to watch a wonderful play, 'The Fake News Navigator' by Cousin Jacks. The local theatre company have created a piece linked to e-safety exploring how children and young people can navigate disinformation in the digital age. It is based on Bobo, a character created by local author, Caroline Pedler, who came to watch the show with us! The show included Makaton, which many of the children (and Miss O) joined in brilliantly with. Ask your child to show you the signs for 'Stop, question, sort.'



### Thought of the Week



### Reminder-Open Class

Week commencing 18<sup>th</sup> May

An opportunity for parents and carers to pop into classes to look at their child's work.





# Stars of the Week



**DNA Awards** *Safe-Ethan, Shiv Responsibility-Freddy, Ryder, Aliza Ready-Luca, Amara*  
*Learning- Rogan, Jamie, Harry Loved-Alba, Maria, Dovie, Taylor*

**Restormal - Tate**

For super independent skills this week. We're so proud of you, Tate!

**Tintagel- Charlotte**

For always doing your best and helping others.

**Gwithian - Lucas**

For increased focus and independence.

**Porthcurno - Blake**

For showing improved behaviour and a positive attitude to learning.

**Mevagissey - Hafsa**

For always trying hard and being a role model. Well done!

**Newlyn - Nyla**

For her fantastic effort in writing this week

**Lizard - Arianna**

For her positive effort and caring nature.

**Pendeen - Gavriel**

For showing determination and perseverance when on camp.

**Godrevy - Arthur**

For your beautiful manners and attitude on camp.

**Porthleven - Alfie**

For showing hard work and determination during a problem-solving activity.

**Levant - Vinnie**

For his exemplary attitude and his perseverance and accuracy in Maths.

**Geevor - Rizzick**

A brilliant week full of fun, safety and responsibility, showing a real positive attitude throughout.

**Poldark - Mason**

For showing improved consistent effort across all areas of learning.



**Behaviour Beacons:** *Jensen, Amelia P, Lily, Lynnette, Coby, Bobby Arthur, Riley, Maisie, Enid, Tom, Lucy, Tegen*

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## Nursery Learning Highlights

This week in Nursery, the children have been learning all about birds and listening carefully to the sounds around them. We went on a listening walk outside on the field, where the children practised sitting quietly so they could hear the different bird sounds. They especially enjoyed using binoculars, bird-spotting sheets, and drawing pictures of the birds they saw and heard. The children also explored and identified different feathers they found outdoors. While outside, we used our toy birds that make real bird calls, and the children were amazed when a robin answered back to the toy robin's call! Everyone had lots of fun copying the different bird sounds and developing their listening skills.

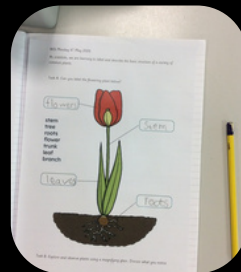
## Reception Learning Highlights

We have had a great week learning all about ladybirds and why gardeners and farmers love to have them in their garden. We read the story *The Very Grumpy Ladybird* and used it to talk about our own feelings and how we can deal with the more negative ones. In maths we have been talking about shapes and using our descriptive language to explain their positions.

## Key Stage One Learning Highlights

This week in Year 1, we've enjoyed writing our own pieces of contemporary fiction based on real experiences. We worked hard to showcase our very best handwriting, accurate use of the past tense and joining ideas using 'and' in a sentence. In maths, we have concluded our multiplication and division unit and are ready to start fractions next week. Our highlight this week was a fantastic science lesson, where we used magnifying glasses to identify the key parts of a plant! Can you remember all the parts?

This week, Year 2 have been busy planning and writing their own folk tales. We have enjoyed reading some fantastic descriptions of mermaids, knockers and piskey! In maths, we have begun learning to tell the time to the hour and half past the hour. Please encourage your child to practise telling the time at home to help build their confidence. In history, we have been studying portraits of British monarchs and discussing how portraits can be used as historical sources to help us gather information about the past.



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## Lower Key Stage Two Learning Highlights

During our Y3/4 activity days, we were inspired by the 100th birthday of Sir David Attenborough. After learning about his life and work, we became wildlife detectives, investigating the plants and animals within our school grounds and creating our own wildlife habitats. We also completed team-building activities, including a challenge to build the tallest tower using only newspaper and tape. Congratulations to Alfie and Arthur, our aspiring engineers of the future!

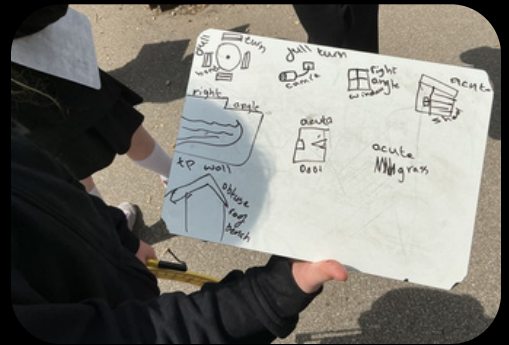
The campers had a brilliant couple days at Porthpean. One of our favourite activities, was going on a giant stand up paddleboard where we raced the other groups and got to jump in the water. We also enjoyed archery, rock climbing and tunnelling. We all loved the evening entertainment which was a silent disco followed by a ventriloquist show which we all found very funny! We were all very tired by the end of the first day and were ready to head to our tents and pods! Well done everyone, you all did amazingly!



## Upper Key Stage Two Learning Highlights

Year 5 and 6 children are thoroughly enjoying their class novel, *Another Twist in the Tale* by Catherine Bruton. The story links brilliantly with their Revolution project and learning about the Victorian era. Set in the world of *Oliver Twist*, the book follows Twill Twist, Oliver's long-lost twin sister, as she navigates the dangerous streets and workhouses of Victorian London. Pupils have loved comparing the lives of rich and poor children in Victorian society and spotting familiar characters, such as the Artful Dodger and Fagin throughout the story.

Our Year 6 pupils have been busy preparing for their SATs next week, and staff have been thoroughly impressed with their focus, determination and positive attitude. We are incredibly proud of how hard they have worked and the effort they have shown throughout the year. We know they will all do their very best, and we would like to wish them the very best of luck for next week!



Attendance this week	
Our aim is 96%	
Pendeen	98.44%
Geevor	96.77%
Pendennis	96.03%
Lizard	95.89%
Tintagel	95%
Gwithian	95.23%
Porthcurno	94.23%
Mevagissey	94.18%
Poldark	93.79%
Levant	91.96%
Porthleven	91.91%
Restormel	90.63%
Newlyn	91.90%
Godrevy	90.88%
School this year	94.40%
National this year	94.70%

## Diary Dates

**TBC=to be confirmed**

w/c 11th May Y6 SATs week  
 15<sup>th</sup> May-Y4 Opera trip in Truro  
 18<sup>th</sup> May 2:45pm Y5/6 Open Class then online safety talk  
 19<sup>th</sup> May - Y5/6 Bodmin Jail trip  
 19<sup>th</sup> May 2:45pm Nursery and Reception Open Class  
 20<sup>th</sup> May 2:45pm Y1/2 Open Class  
 21<sup>st</sup> May 2:45pm Y3/4 Open Class  
 2<sup>nd</sup> June - Whole school fun run (TBC)  
 11<sup>th</sup> June Y6 Family quiz night (TBC)  
 13<sup>th</sup> June Murdoch Day  
 15<sup>th</sup>&16<sup>th</sup> June -Father's Day stalls  
 18<sup>th</sup> June - Y6/PTA school fair (TBC)  
 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> June Y6 Bath Camp  
 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> July Y5 Isles of Scilly Camp  
 14<sup>th</sup> July - Y6 Show at The Regal  
 15<sup>th</sup> July-Sports Day-KS1 am, KS2 pm(TBC)

**Term Dates:**

Last Day of Summer 1 Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

Start of Summer 2 Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June

Inset Day Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June

Last Day of Summer 2 Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

2026/27

Autumn - 3<sup>rd</sup> September-17<sup>th</sup> December

(half term 26<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> October)

Spring - 6<sup>th</sup> January-25<sup>th</sup> March

(half term 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> February)

Summer - 12<sup>th</sup> April-21<sup>st</sup> July

(half term 31<sup>st</sup> May-4<sup>th</sup> June)

### School Lunches

Week beginning 11/5/26

Week 2 choices from the

Spring/Summer Term Menu

Please see Chartwells meal menu

on the school website for details

**01209 215671**

**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)**

**Congratulations**

**Pendeen**

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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](mailto:office@cmst.co.uk)



Hear Music.  
Learn Music.  
Play Music.

For more information head to:  
[CMST.co.uk/learnmore](https://cmst.co.uk/learnmore)

Sign Up At:  
[CMST.co.uk/signup](https://cmst.co.uk/signup)



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.



Leach Pottery Cromartie  
ceramics suppliers

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## CERAMICS FAIR

SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup> May SCULPTED  
10am ~ 4pm HAND BUILT  
THROUGHOUT THE DAY WHEEL THROWN

\*SALLY'S RAKU DEMOS  
\*WHEEL THROWING TASTERS  
\*THE LEACH POTTERY WORKSHOPS

PLUS :-  
POP UP SHOPS, PROMOS &  
A COMMUNITY EXHIBITION

**FREE ENTRY**  
**FREE PARKING**  
**ACCESSIBLE TO ALL**

**THROWING**  
**11am DEMOS 2pm**  
**WITH FYNN**

WINNER OF THE GREAT POTTERY THROWDOWN 2026

OVER 100 CLAY  
CREATIVES UNDER  
ONE ROOF



### 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.



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**EVERY TUESDAY**  
**9:30 - 11:30AM**

## ONE BAG PER HOUSEHOLD

No voucher /referral needed

- **Community Café** open at the same time: hot drinks, soups, pasties and sausage rolls - all free.
- **Coat Rail** - available to whoever