



Issue 1

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Sharing information and Celebrating Achievements



Welcome back everyone and welcome to all our new children and staff! What a fabulous start to the year! Everyone is working hard and enjoying their new classes. As I have been visiting classes, I have noticed how hard everyone is trying with their handwriting, this is one of our key focuses this year. To support your child with this, try to give them lots of opportunities at home to develop their gross and fine motor skills. For gross motor skills head to the park to play on equipment, play throw and catch, or get them moving like different animals—a monkey, a crab, a dog—this will help build their strength, balance and co-ordination. For fine motor skills activities such as Lego, jigsaws, painting, drawing, baking and cutting are all great!

Our new members of staff have all settled in so well and I feel they have brought so much to our already strong team! Hopefully the photo sheet of all the staff that I emailed out has been helpful to you.

This week's assemblies introduced our composer of the half term, Hans Zimmer and our artist, Andy Warhol. We recapped on our DNA—We are safe; we feel loved; we take responsibility; we are always learning; we are ready. These are the key principles that guide all we do in school. I also spoke to the children about 3 key tools that we use to deliver our curriculum: books, opportunities and people. We reflected on some of the great opportunities the children had last year. This week the classes have been sharing their ideas for opportunities they would like to experience before they leave school. Our job is to try and make lots of these happen for the children. I also shared with the children some of the photos that you sent in of them reading in interesting places over the summer. I have popped a few on the newsletter and we are hoping to get them all up on display in the library. I loved the Andy Goldsworthy inspired art that the children sent in too – the children were excited to see their creations up on the big screen! Winners of both challenges to be announced next week!

This week's 'thought of the week' comes from Rita Pierson, the staff listened to a video talk by her, as part of our inset. Her focus on building relationships with children really resonates with me. We are privileged to be able to be part of your children's lives and we want to do all we can to help them feel that they matter.

Cassie Pamplin



Highlight of the Week

We are delighted with how well our free breakfast club, that we launched this week went. The children enjoyed the breakfast and the time to socialise before the start of the school day. A huge thanks to the breakfast club team for making this possible. Remember there is no need to sign-up. Your child just needs to arrive between 8:15am and 8:25am at the main front door.



Thought of the Week

"I AM SOMEBODY.
I WAS SOMEBODY WHEN
I CAME. I WILL BE A
BETTER SOMEBODY
WHEN I LEAVE.
I AM **POWERFUL**,
AND I AM **STRONG**.
I DESERVE THE
EDUCATION THAT I GET
HERE. I HAVE THINGS
TO DO, PEOPLE TO
IMPRESS, AND PLACES
TO GO."
- RITA PIERSON

Exercise of the Week

Draw the infinity sign repeatedly.

Make sure your child is using their wrist rather than shoulder to do this movement. Have a go at doing this with colourful pens, paint and even water on a paint brush.



Reminders

Thurs 17th Sept

Jeans for Genes Day (wear, jeans, denim or non-uniform)

**Meet the Teacher sessions
next week—Weds & Thurs
(Levant Tues & Weds)**

**Considerate parking and
careful driving**

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Stars of the Week



DNA Awards Safe- Rosie, Tigga, Delilah, Scarlett Loved-Darcy H
Responsibility-Lyra, Molly, Enid, Tania Learning- Tom, Lilly G Ready-Alex, Ebony

Restormal - The whole class

For the most wonderful start to school this week from all of you. You have ALL been super stars.

Tintagel - The whole class

For having the best start ever to life in Reception and for being absolute stars!

Gwithian - Harry

For putting in so much effort into counting in maths.

Porthcurno - Herkus

For having such a positive attitude to your learning and being a shining star in our classroom this week.

Mevagissey - Taylor-Gracie

For giving everything her best go this week and for having an amazing start to Year 2.

Newlyn - Isla

For having a fantastic attitude to her learning this week and giving 100% effort.

Pendeen - Raife

For working really hard on his writing this week.

Godrevy - Ryder

For putting so much effort into his maths learning this week.

Porthleven - Caya

For always being ready to learn and doing the right thing at the right time.

Levant - Arthur

For being such a great model in class.

Geevor - Cohen

For working hard, staying focused and approaching each day with a positive attitude.

Poldark - Vinnie

For exceptional behaviour and a fantastic attitude to his learning.



Behaviour Beacons:

**Clayton, Penny, Loveday, Sara, Esme, Agnes
Hafsa, Hunter, Dovie, Robert, Arianna, Teddy**

Nursery Learning Highlights

It has been a lovely week in nursery welcoming our new children and helping everyone settle into their new surroundings. The children have been building friendships through small-group activities, learning our daily nursery routines and developing confidence in their new environment. We have also been encouraging the children to share, take turns and listen to one another, helping them to develop important social skills and positive relationships. It has been wonderful to see the children beginning to feel happy, secure and part of our nursery community.



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Reception Highlights

We have had the most amazing first full week in Reception. The children have settled in so well and demonstrated fantastic maturity and kindness. We have loved finding out all about themselves and their family. The children created self-portraits and pictures of their families. Well done everyone!

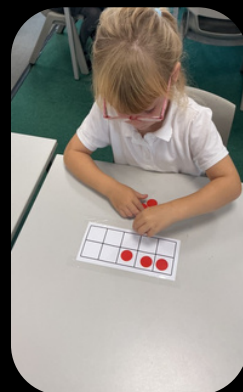
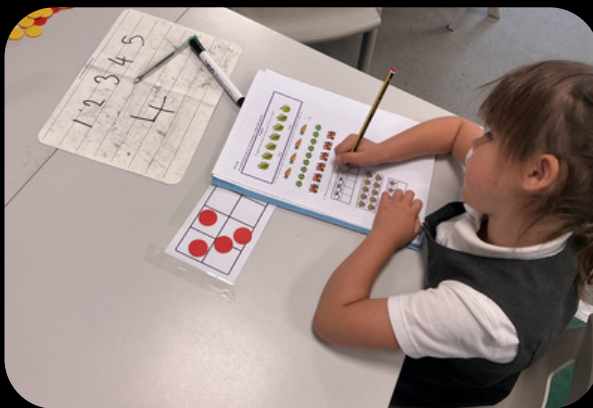


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Key Stage One Learning Highlights

Have we really completed a whole week back at school already?! We've had so much fun in Year 1, getting to know our new routines and new teachers. In English, we've been exploring the poem, 'Open a Book'. In maths, we've been sorting and counting objects. In art we have been painting with the primary colours and in geography we have discussed human and physical features. Can you remember which is which?

Wow what a start to the year! Year 2 have hit the ground running and have been busy learning and performing the poem 'Witches Spell', even making up some actions. In maths, the children have been partitioning numbers into tens and ones. They have loved learning about some of our significant people in our project 'Movers and Shakers'. Can they tell you a fact about Rosa Parks? Keep up the good work everyone!



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Lower Key Stage Two Learning Highlights

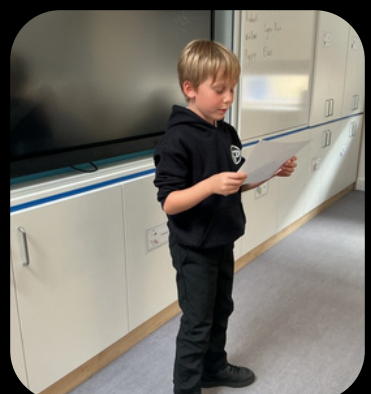
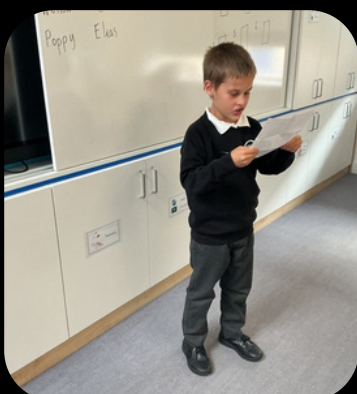
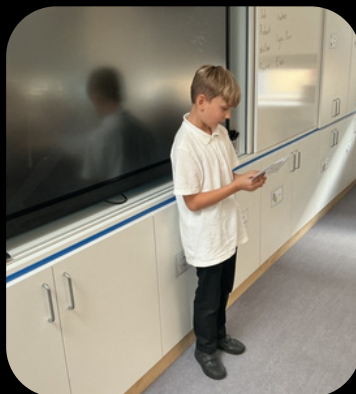
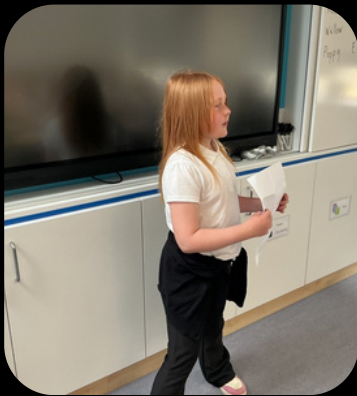
What a fantastic first full week back at school! We've been busy learning, exploring and having lots of fun. In history, we investigated whether the Romans really used toilet roll by testing leaves, pebbles and moss for absorbency, durability and softness! We've also written some fantastic poems inspired by Eldorado by Edgar Allan Poe, showing lots of creativity and imagination. In Maths, we've had fun exploring 4- and 5-digit numbers and challenging ourselves with some tricky problems. It has been wonderful to see so much effort, enthusiasm and confidence this week, alongside plenty of smiles and laughter. What a brilliant start!



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Upper Key Stage Two Learning Highlights

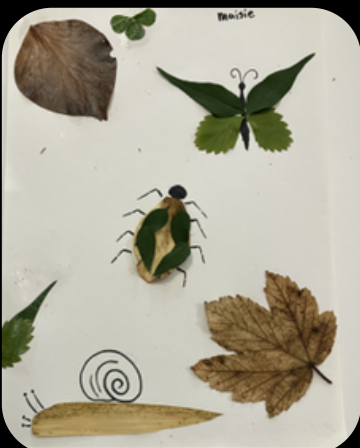
Our first whole week back at school is complete, and what a fantastic return it has been following the summer holidays – the Year 5 and 6 children have settled in beautifully! They have launched their new project, 'Off with Her Head!', a history-focused project exploring Henry VIII and the Tudor dynasty. In such a short time, they have already gained so much knowledge and understanding. The children have been finding out about how the Tudor family gained control of the throne, Henry VIII's six wives and what happened to each of them, as well as Henry's children and his desperate desire for a son. Why not ask your child what they have learned so far? You might be surprised by how much they can tell you! We are looking forward to an exciting term ahead and seeing all that this fantastic cohort will achieve!



Summer Reading and Art Challenges



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Attendance this week
Our aim is 96%

Pendennis	98%
Restormel	100%
Tintagel	98.40%
Gwithian	99.05%
Porthcurno	94.44%
Mevagissey	95%
Newlyn	99.29%
Godrevy	97.27%
Pendeen	96.63%
Porthleven	96.67%
Geevor	95.71%
Levant	100%
Poldark	99.66%
Whole school this year	96.20%
National this year	95.50%

Congratulations
Restormel &
Levant

Diary Dates

Provisional dates for the year:

Wed 16th and Thurs 17th Sep – 'Meet the teacher' (3:15–3:30pm)
(Levant Tues and Weds instead)
Wed 16th Sep – Twilight staff meeting until 6pm
Thurs 17th Sep – Genes for Jenes day
Mon 28th Sep – PTA AGM
Mon 5th Oct – Harvest Festival (Year 1/2)
Fri 9th Oct – Individual school photos
Mon 12th Oct – Whole school immunisation nasal spray
Mon 19th Oct – EYFS open class
Tues 20th Oct – 5/6 open class
Wed 21st Oct – 3/4 open class
Thurs 22nd Oct – 1/2 open class
Tues 10th Nov – parents' evening (until 6pm)
Wed 11th Nov – parents' evening (until 5:30pm)
Wed 11th Nov – Remembrance class assemblies
Mon 16th Nov – Odd sock day
Sat 5th Dec – Lantern Parade
Wed 9th Dec – Christmas lunch and Christmas jumpers
Fri 11th Dec – Tribal Day
Mon 14th Dec – Tribal Treat
Thurs 4th Mar – World Book Day (snuggle down)
Fri 5th Mar – St Piran's Day
Sat 6th Mar – St Piran's Day Festival TBC
Fri 19th Mar – Tribal Day
Mon 22nd Mar – Tribal Treat
Wb 10th May – SATs week
Wb 8th Jun – Sustainability Week
Sat 12th Jun – Murdoch Day TBC
Wb 28th Jun – reports out to parents
Wb 5th Jul – Tribal Week
Tues 15th Jun – KS1 am and KS2 pm sports days
Thurs 15th July – Y6 Celebration Evening

Term Dates 2026/27

Autumn – 3rd Sept–17th Dec (half term 26th–30th Oct)
Spring – 6th Jan–25th March (half term 15th–19th Feb)
Summer – 12th April–21st July (half term 31st May–4th June)

School Lunches

Next week is: Week 2

**Please see the school website for
the menu**

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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.