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Sharing information and Celebrating Achievements

Welcome back everyone, I hope you all had a wonderful half term. The children have had a great first week back and have been working hard.

Thanks to the children who have sold the poppies at school. As Remembrance Day isn't until Wednesday, they will be on sale at the start of next week, if your child would still like to purchase a poppy or poppy related item.

I have just received our ofsted report so will be sending it out to parents on Monday, before it is published next Wednesday. Most of the action points in the report had already been identified by the school. The school and trust recognises that there was some instability in leadership at the school, but over the last 9 months the school has really moved forward. The staff are all working very hard and are committed to ensuring that we develop further to provide the very best education for the children. There are so many brilliant things about Pennoweth, including the staff and children! You just need to look at the newsletter each week to see what fabulous experiences the children have. Unfortunately not all the wonderful things we do and the things that make our school special feature in the report. Although it is a shame these things are not celebrated, what the report does give us is a clear direction forward and confirmation that the priorities we identified are the correct ones. They could see the areas that we had already focused on have really improved. This included: behaviour in classes, an effective system for identifying children with special educational needs, supporting children with social, emotional and mental health needs, phonics/reading and pastoral support. Ofsted visits and reports have changed recently, so I will send out a letter explaining this with the report. Thank -you for all the support you have given me and the school since I started. I am committed to the school, its staff, children and families and I love working here. I can assure you that I will continue to do my very best to make the school the best it can be.

Cassie Pamplin



Highlights of the Week

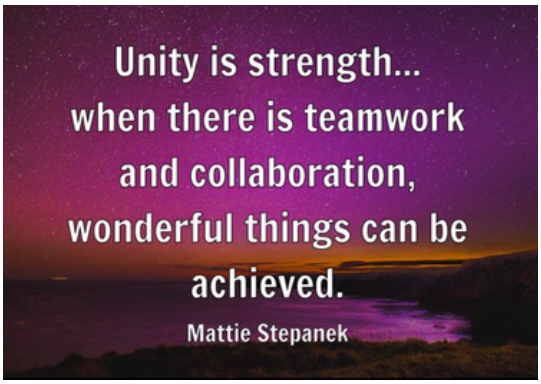
This week Mrs Kerry organised a Rock Steady Concert, where one of the band leaders performed to help encourage more children to get involved in the weekly Rock Steady sessions that happened at school. The children loved it! Some of the staff had to get involved too, and did a fabulous job of being part of a rock band! Hopefully this has inspired them and the children ready for our 'Dress like a Rockstar' day on Thursday 12th November!







Thought of the Week



Reminders

Healthy snacks only for breaktimes

Free breakfast club 8:15-8:45am
Children do not have to have breakfast, but can come along to socialise! (doors open for it 8:15-8:25am)

Parents' Evening 10th & 11th Nov
Please make sure you have booked via Arbor

Dress like a Rock Star- Thurs 12th Nov

Wear Odd Socks- Monday 16th Nov (to celebrate difference and diversity as part of anti-bullying week)

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Stars of the Week

DNA Awards **Loved- Agnes, Pearl, Delilah, Henry**
Learning- Finley, Raife, Tyler, Reuben, Maisie, Jack
Ready- Albie, Harry, Louie, Loki, James

Restormel - Thea	For settling in so quickly to her new class and having a super first week at Pennoweth! Keep it up!
Tintagel - Penny	For being a great role model and always striving to do her best. Good job!
Gwithian - Kingsley	For being very resilient in your learning this week and challenging yourself even when it was hard. Keep it up!
Porthcurno - Alyssia	For always giving 110% in everything you do and being such a happy member of our class!
Mevagissey - Mira	For always trying her hardest during her learning and following our DNA. Well done!
Newlyn - Elsie	For putting 100% into your learning this week, particularly in maths. Well done!
Pendeen - Oliver	For imprpved focus and effort with his learning this week.
Godrevy - Chorena	For making amazing choices in her learning this week.
Porthleven - Jacob	For giving 110% in all learning this week, as well as some amazing contributions in class discussion.
Levant - Oscar	For his outstanding effort towards his remembrance poem.
Geevor - ALesha-Mae	For gaining confidence in her writing this week and producing beautiful and emotive work based on Flanders Fields. Keep being amazing!
Poldark - Jil	For his fantastic attitude to learning, determination to always do his best and brilliant effort in writing - well done!

Behaviour Beacons:
Charlette, Ziva, Sowenna, Melody, Poppy, Luca, James, Lena Harper, Kiyaan, Skyla, Lola

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Nursery Learning Highlights

This week in nursery, we have been learning about celebrations and discussing what it means to celebrate special occasions. The children shared their experiences of birthdays, team wins, Halloween and Bonfire Night, and enjoyed talking about times they have dressed up and spent time with family and friends. We learnt about Guy Fawkes and created colourful firework pictures using paint, chalks and even in puddles outdoors. We also explored Diwali as a celebration by listening to the story of Diwali and looking at the beautiful colours and patterns used in Rangoli art, before creating our own vibrant designs. It has been a lovely week of sharing experiences, learning about different traditions and celebrating together.





















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Reception Highlights

This week the children have been talking all about the dark evenings and the change in the weather. We thought about nocturnal animals and came up with a list of ones that we have in the UK. The children drew pictures, wrote captions and short sentences to go with their chosen animal. Next it was time to talk all about fireworks and bonfire night. The children made lollipop stick sparklers and marble painting firework art. What a fantastic week!















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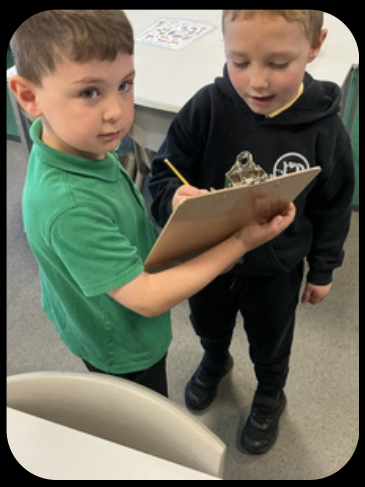
Key Stage One Learning Highlights

What a lovely start back at school after a restful half term break! Year 1 have come back with brilliant attitudes to learning and renewed curiosity too! This week, we have been learning the poem 'Rhythm of Life' by Michael Rosen. We have enjoyed exploring our senses to inspire our writing of a new poem. In art we have explored portraits. We first put pencil to paper to draw physical portraits of ourselves and then explored a different medium by creating digital self-portraits! In history, we have explored organising information on a timeline and in science we have practiced identifying mammals based on the features we can see!

Year 2 have a great start to this half term. We kicked the week off by learning the fabulous poem 'Ning Nang Nong' by Spike Milligan, before writing our own nonsense poem called the 'Wibble Wobble Wood'. Our budding musicians were inspired by a wonderful Rock Steady assembly which even saw some of the adults get involved. In maths, the children have been working hard to understand and apply the concept of exchanging ten ones for a ten. What a fabulous week!









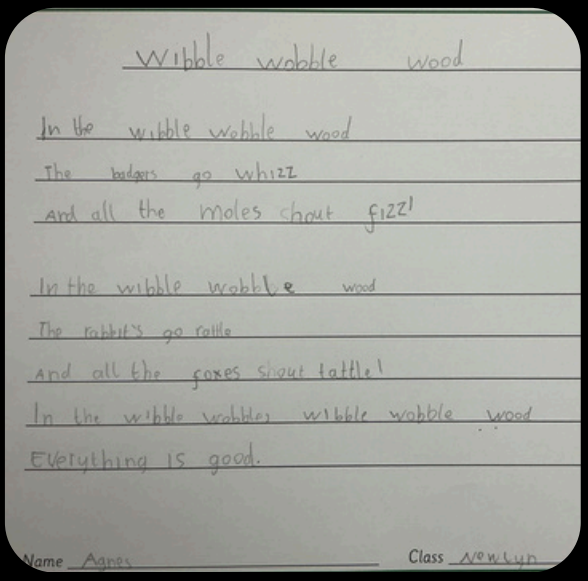












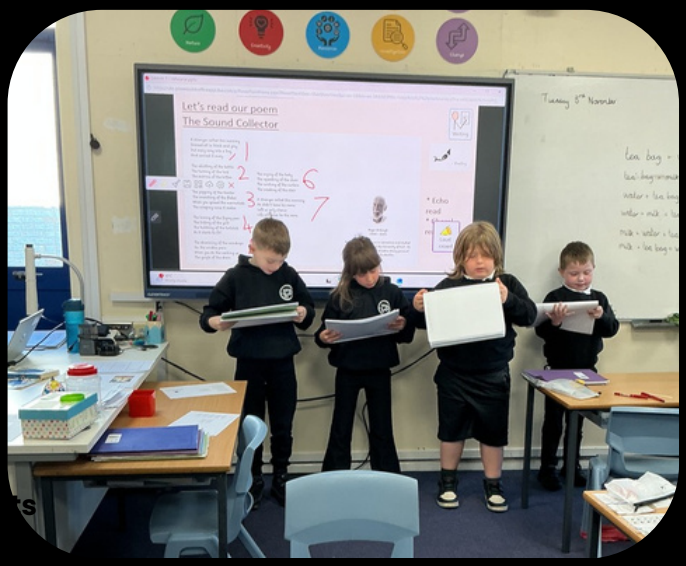


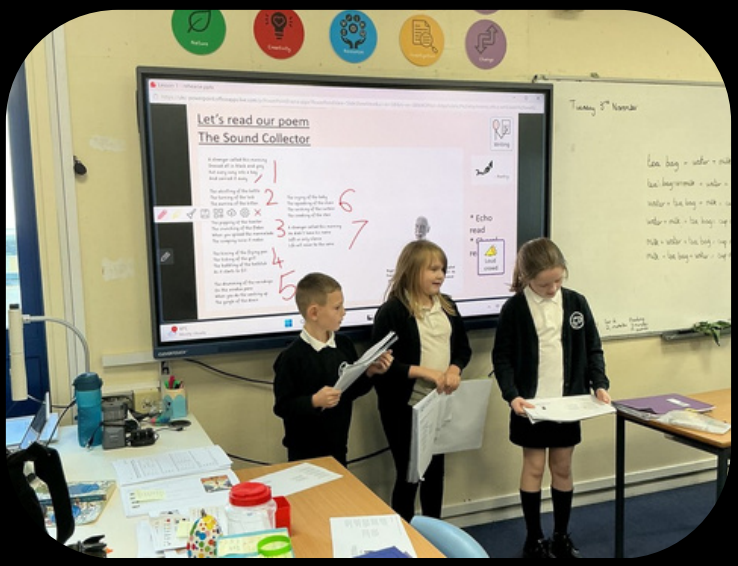


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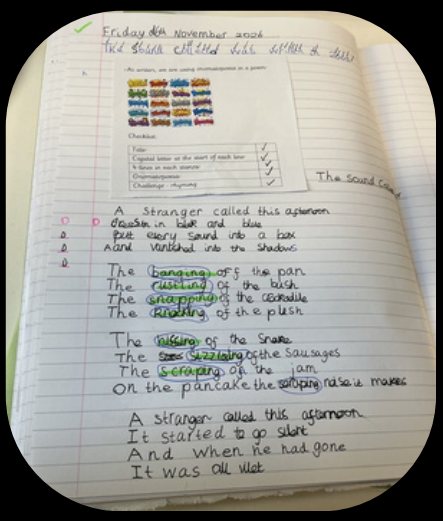
Lower Key Stage Two Learning Highlights

Years 3 and 4 have had a brilliant start to the term! They have enjoyed starting our new class novel, 'The Land of Roar', and are excited to find out what happens next! In writing, we have been learning the poem 'The Sound Collector' and using it as inspiration to write our own versions. Can your child tell you what onomatopoeia is and give you an example they used in their poem? We have also enjoyed beginning our new project, 'Misty Mountain Sierra'. In science, we carried out an experiment to investigate the water cycle, exploring whether more evaporation would take place in a warm, sunny spot, a shaded area or indoors. Can your child tell you what we discovered? Well done, everyone, for such a fantastic start to the term!

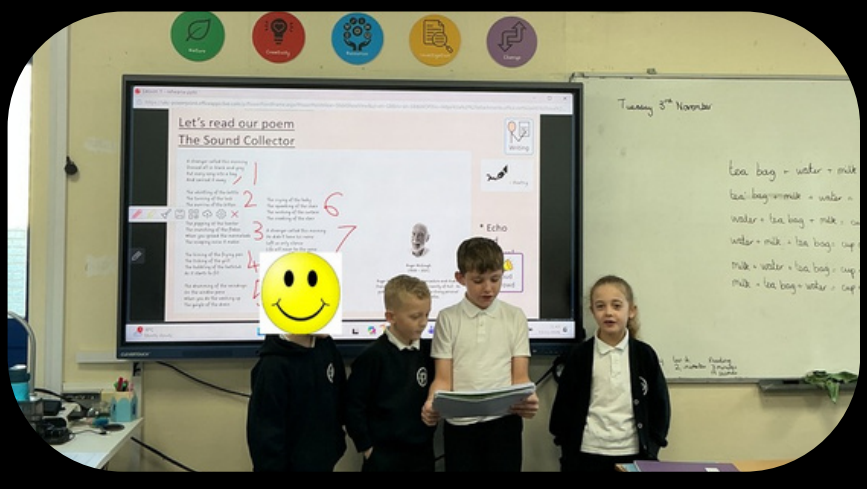














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Upper Key Stage Two Learning Highlights

We have hit the ground running in Upper Key Stage 2 after a week of rest and recuperation. We have been preparing for Remembrance Day by exploring and performing the famous poem, 'In Flanders Fields' by Lieutenant John McCrae. Inspired by his powerful words, we have been creating our own poems of remembrance, reflecting upon the events of World War I and encouraging our readers to learn from history and live in peace.

We have made a great start to our new project, 'Darwin's Delights', which we launched with a science investigation that demonstrated Darwin's theory of evolution through natural selection. We took on the role of Darwin's finches from the Galápagos Islands and tested different 'beaks' to discover which would enable them to retrieve the seeds needed for survival.

Years 5 and 6 had their first rugby session with the Cornish Pirates this week. These will continue throughout autumn 2 until the final session on 11th December.



















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Attendance this week Our aim is 96%	
Pendennis	89.06%
Restormel	95.11%
Tintagel	88.50%
Gwithian	98.81%
Porthcurno	98.75%
Mevagissey	93.52%
Newlyn	95.45%
Godrevy	98.68%
Pendeen	94.26%
Porthleven	97.46%
Geevor	98.28%
Levant	91.98%
Poldark	99.11%
Whole School this year	94.70%
National this year	95.40%

Congratulations Poldark

Diary Dates

Provisional dates for the year:

This year phases are having their own Christmas performances, some dates have been added and we are just awaiting confirmation for the rest.

Tues 10th Nov – parents' evening (until 6pm)
Wed 11th Nov – parents' evening (until 5:30pm)
Wed 11th Nov – Remembrance class assemblies
Thurs 12th Nov Dress Like A Rock Star Day
Mon 16th Nov – Odd Sock Day
Weds 2nd-Thurs 3rd Dec-Space Odyssey Experience
Sat 5th Dec – Lantern Parade
Mon 7th Dec Christingle Service- Y3&4 1:30pm Y5&6 10am
Tues 8th December - Year 5 & 6 Carol Service for parents 10am
Wed 9th Dec – Christmas lunch and Christmas jumpers
Thurs 10th Dec Christingle Service- YR -10am, Y1&2- 1:30pm
Fri 11th Dec – Tribal Day
Mon 14th Dec – Tribal Treat
Tues 15th Dec- Nursery Christmas singing event 4pm
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 – 12thApril-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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Our phase email addresses are:
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OPEN ADMISSION

Now Enrolling Young Explorers
Starting January 2027
for children born between
01-09-2023 and 31-12-2023

What We Offer:

- Full-day and Half-day sessions
- 15hour and 30hour funded places
- Non-funded sessions availble for £15 per 3hour sessions
- An engaging, age-appropriate curriculum that supports learning through play

Limited Nursery Spaces Available for January 2027!

We currently have a limited number of nursery places available from January 2027. Our welcoming nursery provides a nurturing environment where children can learn, play, and develop through a range of exciting experiences. To apply, please collect an application form from the school office or email us for further information.

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