



Newsletter 17th October 2025

Welcome to this week's newsletter, packed with the latest updates, celebrations, and important dates from around our school. We're proud to share the fantastic learning and achievements happening across our community.

Whole School Updates



Celebrating a Brilliant First Half Term

What a fantastic start to the school year! We've launched a brand new School Council and Pupil Parliament, giving our children a strong voice in school life. Our community links are growing too, we celebrated Harvest at the church and have already booked our first visit to Hayle Day Centre in January. Children have enjoyed exciting trips, including a train journey and the upcoming theatre visit to *Grandma on the Moon*. Behind the scenes, we're exploring ways to improve our out of school club offer, including working with partners and researching what families need. Attendance has been really positive, thank you for your continued support in keeping this on an upward trend. All of this sits alongside the fantastic curriculum your children access every day, and your engagement at parents' evening was truly appreciated. FOSS have supported us with our MacMillan coffee morning and gave the children a lovely school disco experience yesterday, we are very grateful to have the support from our families who give their own time so freely.

We have many exciting things to come next term.

Wishing you all a wonderful half term, we hope you have a good rest and some quality family time.

Mrs Bradbury

ECO Club Update

The children have worked really hard on their posters to advertise the upcoming 'Electricity Free Day' on the 27th November. We had a club vote on the poster that will feature in this newsletter and Kelsey's poster won. Well done Kelsey, we love your mascot that you designed!



Assembly

Pupil Parliament

We're thrilled to announce the launch of our Pupil Parliament that gives our pupils a voice and a chance to make a real difference in our school and beyond. Our Pupil Parliament will be focusing on community links, helping to strengthen the connection between our school and the wider world around us. Our Pupil Parliament members will be from Godrevy class and this week KS2 got the chance to hear their amazing speeches in assembly. I was so proud of all the children who stood up and spoke, the speeches were fantastic! After hearing the speeches, the KS2 children voted for who they wanted to elect.

Our Pupil Parliament members are:

Benji, Grace, Maggie, Nina, Rebecca, Silver

Well done to everyone who took part in the speeches, we look forward to seeing all of the exciting things that the Pupil Parliament achieves this year.

Miss Stephens

Ta Da! They asked, we did... Our very own St Erth Food Bank

In our Harvest Assembly the children were really keen to create our own food bank in school (in the entrance) to support our families. They understand that there is no judgement and it should be used by everyone so please, please...make their day and take something from time to time. Feel free to donate too. We will be recruiting a stock rotating team to ensure all the food is in date and shelved appropriately.





1 - Some of our children have been lucky enough to do a spot of cooking this afternoon with the 'The Pasty Box' company. Today they will take home some ingredients to make this recipe again. The Pasty Box company have offered all children the chance to purchase the ingredients from the site shop with a special code- look out for this in the next newsletter.

School Council Spotlight

This week's School Council meeting was full of brilliant ideas and thoughtful discussion! Our pupils explored ways to improve lunchtimes, and their suggestions could lead to some exciting changes next term, including opening up the cabin and adjusting lunchtime timings for each key stage.

We're so proud of the children's leadership and creativity. Huge thanks to all our council members for their contributions, and to Nina for capturing the notes. We missed Meg, who was poorly, but we can't wait to hear your ideas when you're back in February!

Stay tuned for updates as we work together to make lunchtimes even better!

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING AUTUMN 1



Autumn Term
Priority
Lunchtime
improvements

Write or draw the difference this will make:
Calmer Quieter Calmer activities
more activities Goals stay
Be happy Friday dance day



2 - Congratulations to Leon who is our Healthy Eater winner this week. Leon always tries really hard with his vegetables and gained a special sticker on Wednesday for his efforts. Well done Leon!



3 - Cooking club made some delicious gingerbread cookies last week. A great time was had by all and the smell from the kitchen was amazing!



Reminders:

- The last day of term is today and school starts again on the 3rd November, usual time.
- Flu immunisations are booked for 17 November. A letter has gone out, please remember to follow the link to opt your child in.
- New Menu's starting After half term - see below.
- Don't forget to log in to your Arbor App - you can give consent to school trips on here.
- Fistril Cohort Christmas Sleepover - we have now set up the ParentPay item for the Sleepover. Please pay the deposit of £10.00 by the end of half term and the balance by the date of the trip - 5 December. Consent must also be given on Arbor.

- Our clothes bank has been emptied!
- We still have some cake boxes- please collect after half term.
- Year 6 parents don't forget to apply for your secondary school places by the end of half term: **DEADLINE IS FRIDAY 31st OCTOBER.**
- Fistril - We still have a few outstanding permission slips for swimming lessons, these must be in on Monday 3rd November!
- Don't forget to put the date of the FOSS Christmas Fair in your diaries - 6th Dec!!!
- The school nursing team will be coming in this term to do weights and measures for Reception and Year 6 (see information below) you can opt out of this via the following links:

Reception: [2025 Child Health Programme - Reception Year - Healthy Cornwall](#)

Year 6: [2025 Child Health Programme - Year 6 - Healthy Cornwall](#)

A Note on Outstanding Payments

As part of our commitment to transparency and fairness, we are currently reviewing outstanding payments from the previous academic year, this includes breakfast club and lunch money from this term too. We understand that circumstances vary, and we're here to support families wherever needed. However, moving forward, we kindly ask that any payments owed to school from accessing services (lunch money/breakfast club included) are settled by the 7th November 2025 so we can continue to provide high-quality experiences for all children. If you're unable to pay in full by this date, please contact the office to arrange a payment plan.

Letters with arrears will be sent out on the week beginning 10th November 2025 for payments that are still due. Many thanks for your support with this.

Important Safeguarding Notice: Children's "Spy" Books

We want to make you aware of a recent issue affecting some popular children's books by Andrew Cope, including the Spy Dogs, Spy Cats, and Spy Pups series. Some editions of these books include a printed web address at the back. This link used to go to the author's website, but the domain is no longer under his control. It has since been taken over by another party and now leads to inappropriate adult content. The publisher, Puffin, has paused sales and distribution of the books and is working with schools, libraries, and retailers to remove copies from circulation. They have stressed that the website has no connection to the author or publisher.

What this means for you:

If your child has any Spy Dog, Spy Cat or Spy Pups books at home, please check the back for website links and make sure they do not try to visit the site.

It is safe for children to continue reading the stories themselves — the concern is only with the outdated link.

We recommend talking with your child about the importance of not following web addresses in books without checking with an adult first.

Child Health Programme 25/26**Year 6**

We know how important your child's health is to you. The Child Health Programme is a great way to find out information that helps you to keep your child healthy.

Health review with the School Nursing Team**0-19 Children's Services**

The School Nurses belong to Children's Public Health Services working alongside other Public Health Nurses such as the Health Visiting Team. The School Nursing service offers parents/carers the opportunity for their child to have a health review during Reception Year and Year 6 at school. They also offer additional School Nurse Health assessments throughout your child's school years via the Early Help Hub.

The School Nursing team provide confidential support and advice that promotes the best possible health and educational outcomes for your child.

The School Nursing team can support you with children's physical and emotional health. For example, they can help you if you have concerns about your child's emotional health or continence problems (night and day time wetting) keeping a healthy weight, healthy eating and lifestyle, and supporting their health needs in school. We support you alongside other professionals such as family workers, speech and language, emotional well-being professionals, school SEN staff.



School nurses have four main roles:

- To give confidential advice and care to young people and their parents or carers
- To support young people to look after their physical and emotional health
- To direct young people to the right services
- To guide and support children transitioning into secondary education

Here to help you and your child

We can help you with or refer you for:

- Health assessments
- Healthy eating/lifestyle
- Supporting a school where a child has a health condition
- Supporting you alongside other professionals such as family workers, speech and language, emotional well-being professionals, school SEN staff.

Treen Class Updates



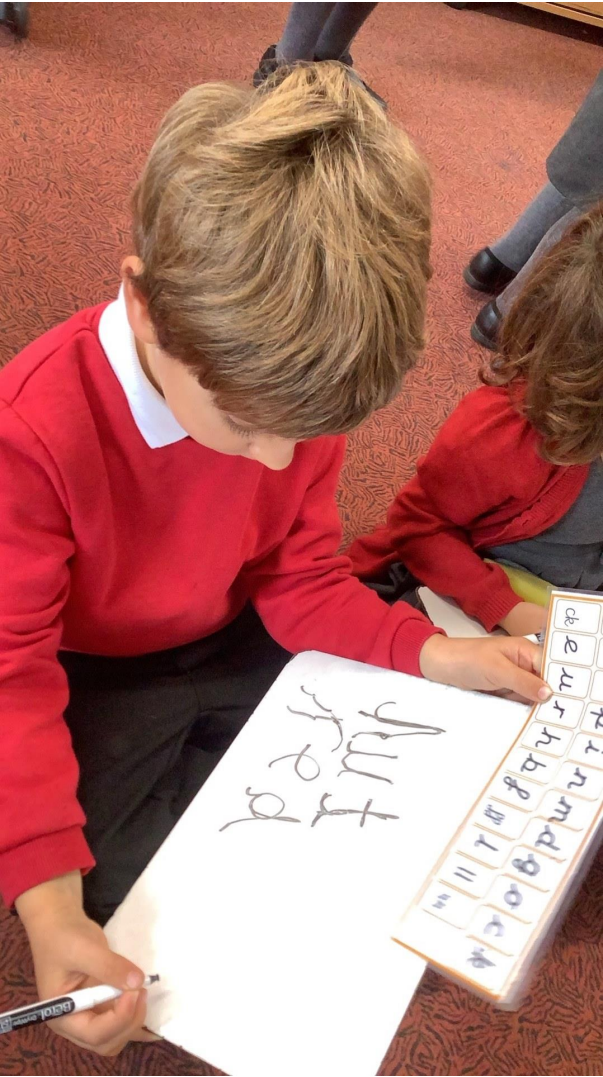
What a busy week! It was lovely to see you all at parent's evening and have a catch up about the amazing progress your children are making!

Another wonderful week of learning - we finished our sounds in Phase 2 and have even begun to write words. The children have done incredibly well with this and we are so proud of them!

The rest of the week has been filled with pumpkins, conkers and all things Autumn - we discussed the different seasons and went for a walk to spot the signs of Autumn and collected leaves and fir cones. We then picked a favourite leaf to try and draw - the children created some beautiful artwork.

We practised moving to the piece of music "The Sorcerer's Apprentice" listening to the music to the tempo: slow or fast and matching our movements to the quiet and loud parts of the song.

I hope everyone has a wonderful Half Term - rest, relax and sleep! Thank you for a wonderful first term Treen Class!











Mousehole Class Updates



Thank you so much to everyone who joined us for parents' meetings this week!

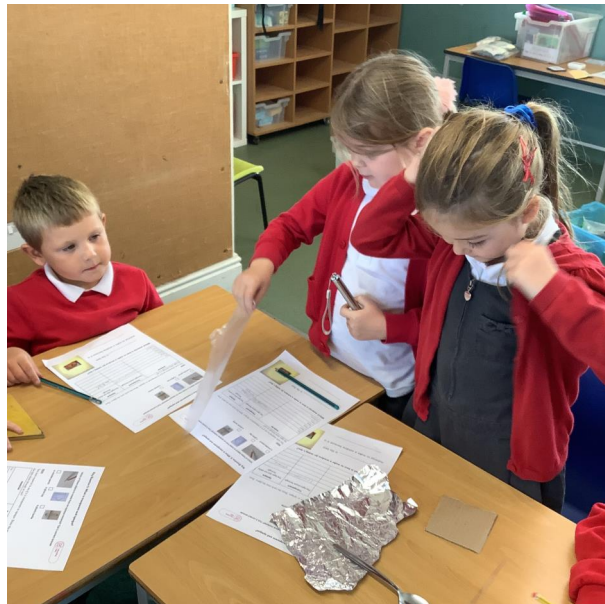
It was a real pleasure to meet you all and chat about your wonderful children.

This week, the children have continued to work hard in their core subjects—**Maths, English, and Science**. In science, we had lots of fun exploring materials by creating a *feely board*! Working in pairs, the children discussed the properties of different materials and asked some brilliant questions like, "*Do all materials share the same properties?*" and "*Can an object made from more than one material be both soft and hard?*" It was lovely to see them so engaged and thoughtful in their discussions.

In English, we've been learning about different types of sentences, with a special focus on questions. The children have been coming up with fantastic questions they'd like to ask the characters in our story—showing great imagination and curiosity!











What a fantastic week we've had with Numbots!

The children have been incredibly engaged and enthusiastic—many have even taken on the challenge section with great confidence! We've handed out lots of certificates this week,

and it's brilliant to see their hard work paying off. Keep it up, everyone! I'm already noticing the positive impact it's having in our maths lessons—well done!

One child said, *"I love Numbots because it makes numbers fun!"*

Challenges:

Most Improved in Number Bonds to 5: 1st Harrison S

Most Improved in Number Bonds to 10: 1st Zennor, 2nd Winter, 3rd, Harrison R

Most Improved in Number Bonds to 20: Mia

BIGGEST INCREASE IN LEVELS PASSED WITH 3 STARS: 1st Stanley, 2nd Dougal, 3rd Lucy

HIGHEST IMPROVEMENT IN ACCURACY: 1st Felicity, 2nd Bobbie, 3rd Bonnie

Moving up!

Iron: Felicity, Mina, Millie

Tin: Stanley

Brass: Finn, Ruan Y, Stanley

Copper: Winter, Zennor,

Steel: Mia

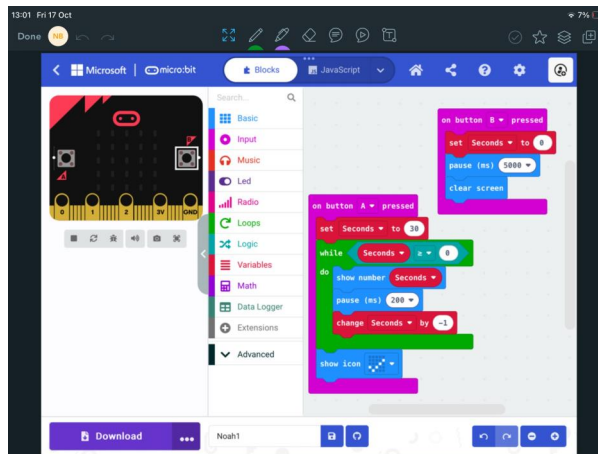
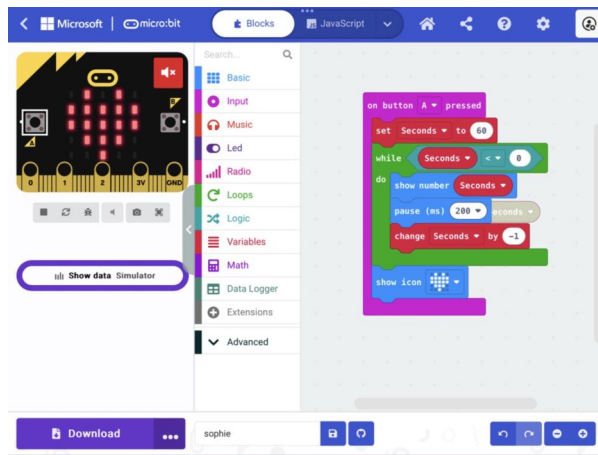


Fistral Class



Fistral Class have had another fantastic week of learning! They've been diving into the world of journalism, exploring the features of newspaper articles, and even writing their own pieces inspired by *Charlotte's Web*. Their creativity and attention to detail have really shone through! In maths, the children have been rounding numbers to the nearest 10, 100 and 1 000, building confidence and fluency with place value. Science lessons have been equally exciting, as pupils explored the fascinating world of animal classification—learning to distinguish between vertebrates and invertebrates, identifying mammals, and using classification keys to sort and group animals with precision.

We have been busy preparing for their upcoming brass showcase, practising songs with enthusiasm and teamwork. In computing, they've been designing and programming mindful timers using Micro: bit devices, combining creativity with digital skills to support wellbeing.







Godrevy Class Updates



Thank you for attending our parent meetings. It was lovely to catch up with so many of you and share how well the children are progressing.

It's been a busy and productive half term! In History, we've completed our topic on the Ancient Greeks, and in Science, we've been learning about the circulatory system.

The children have also made fantastic use of their iPads and shown great enthusiasm by completing extra work at home, thank you for encouraging this.

Over the half term break, children are welcome to keep practising their spellings and times tables using the Doodle apps.

Next term, we'll be starting an exciting new topic, Extreme Earth, exploring earthquakes and volcanoes. Lesson sequences will be shared on Seesaw .We wish you all a restful and enjoyable half term!



4 - Our Science Experiment - We've been investigating what happens to our heart rate when we exercise. The children had great fun testing different activities to discover which exercise made their hearts beat the fastest!

Outstanding Awards



Well done to the following children who have been chosen to win the 'Outstanding' achievement this week. A huge well done!

Treen - Leon

Mousehole- Teddie-Coco

Fistral - Rory

Godrevy - Meg



5 - Treen - 89.38%

Mousehole - 97.59%

Fistral - 95.48%

Godrevy - 97.5%

*Happy
Birthday*

6 - Happy Birthday to Miss Bloxam, Ella-Mae and Mhyla. We hope that you had a wonderful day!

New Menu's Starting Monday 3rd November

FOOD FESTIVAL LUNCHTIME					
WEEK 2 AUTUMN MENU (VEGETARIAN, KETO, PASTA, RAINBOW, BIG TOPPING, DESSERT TROLLEY, PASTA TOPPING)					
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	PRIMARY TRADITIONAL
Vegetable Lasagne	Creamy Chicken & Sweetcorn Pasta	Roast Gammon, Skin on Roasties and Gravy	Mild Chilli Con Carne with Rice	Golden Fish Fingers and Chips	
Green Veg & Butter Bean Pie with Wedges	Veggie Whole Grain Pasta Bolognese	Cheddar & Broccoli Crostini Quiche	Vegetable Bean Chili with Rice	BBQ Veggie Wrap with Chips	
Sweetcorn	Broccoli	Carrots and Peas	Mixed Greens	Baked Beans	
Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	
Chocolate Popcorn Bars	Orange and Peach Jelly	Apple Tea Cake and Custard	Leek Vanilla Sponge Cake	Carrot Cake	

FOOD FESTIVAL LUNCHTIME					
WEEK 3 AUTUMN MENU (VEGETARIAN, KETO, PASTA, RAINBOW, BIG TOPPING, DESSERT TROLLEY, PASTA TOPPING)					
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	PRIMARY TRADITIONAL
Cheese and Tomato Pizza Slice with Wedges	Meatball Marinara Pasta	Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Skin on Roasties and Gravy	Bangers, Mash and Gravy	Golden Fish Fingers or Salmon Fingers and Chips	
Baked Sweetcorn Fritters with Wedges	Pea Frittata with Pasta Salad	Roasted Vegetable Strudel, Skin on Roasties and Gravy	Veggie Bangers, Mash and Gravy	Cherry Bean Wrap with Chips	
Vegetable Sticks	Mixed Salad	Carrots and Cabbage	Mixed Greens	Peas	
Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	
Butterfly Pastry Biscuits	Strawberry and Pineapple Jelly	Banana Bread and Custard	Apple Cinnamon Buns	Lemon Drizzle Cake	

FOOD FESTIVAL LUNCHTIME					
WEEK 4 AUTUMN MENU (VEGETARIAN, KETO, PASTA, RAINBOW, BIG TOPPING, DESSERT TROLLEY, PASTA TOPPING)					
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	PRIMARY TRADITIONAL
Cheese and Tomato Pizza Slice with Wedges	Lasagne	Roast Pork, Skin on Roasties and Gravy	Chicken & Sweetcorn Pie with Mash	Golden Fish Fingers & Chips	
Macaroni Cheese	Vegetable Ratatouille with Rice	Carrot & Stuffing Puff Pastry Flat, Skin on Roasties with Gravy	Roast Vegetable and Bean Stew with Mash	Vegetable Fingers with Chips	
Vegetable Sticks	Sweetcorn	Roasted Roots	Peas	Baked Beans	
Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	
Sweet Potato Chocolate Brownies	Jelly	Egg's Apple Pudding & Custard	Muesli Bars	Vanilla Cookies	

Diary Dates

Autumn 1

November- school begins on Monday 3rd

Fistral Class swimming- each Wednesday- 5 week block beginning 5th November 2025

School Photographs (Individual) - Wednesday 5th November 2025 in the afternoon- **please send a hairbrush for Fistral as they will have swam that morning!**

Grandma on the Moon Production- The Acorn- Monday 10th November 2025

Culdrose Cinema- 20th November- TBC

Flu Immunisations - Monday 17th November 2025

Electricity Free Day in school- Thursday 27th November 2025

December

Healthy Cornwall Workshops for children- Physical activity, screen time and sleep- 2nd December 2025

5th December- Fistril Sleepover at Cohort St Ives

EYFS/KS1 Nativity - 9th and 10th December 2025 2pm each day

Christingle in Church-12th December 2025 2pm-3pm- all welcome

KS2 Carol service - Wednesday 17th December 2025 2pm and 6pm

Christmas Jumper/Party and Christmas Lunch Day - Thursday 11th December 2025

Important Information

How is a Penalty Notice paid?

Penalty notices can be paid by card by calling the office on 01872 324291. If the 31st/28th day for payment falls on a weekend or bank holiday, payment will be accepted at the same rate on the following working day.

What happens if a Penalty Notice is not paid?

If a Penalty Notice is not paid within the 28 days of issue (as per the dates listed on the Penalty Notice), Cornwall Council will progress the matter to the Magistrates' Court, for the offence of failing to ensure regular attendance, NOT for failure to pay the fine.

If found guilty:

- under section 444(1), it can result in the parent being fined up to £1000
- under section 444(2A), it can result in the parent being fined up to £2,500 and/or receiving a custodial sentence of up to 3 months

Cornwall Council may also apply for costs incurred in taking the matter to court.

Contact us

Education Welfare Service, New County Hall, Trevery Road, Truro, TR1 3AY
educationwelfare@cornwall.gov.uk
01872 324298

If you would like this information in another

format or language please contact:

Cornwall Council, County Hall,
Trevery Road, Truro, TR1 3AY
or customerservices@cornwall.gov.uk
t: 0300 1234 100



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for Families

Penalty Notices

A guide to Education Welfare Services
for parents and carers



What is a Penalty Notice?

A penalty notice is a fine that can be issued under section 444A and section 444B of the Education Act 1996. The fine is issued per parent, per child for:

- Leave of absence of 10 school sessions/5 days or more within any rolling 10 school week* period during term time, without authorisation from the school. This can include unauthorised absence for a holiday.
- Unauthorised absence of 10 or more sessions/5 days within any rolling 10 school week* period where a parent fails to provide an explanation for the absence, or where an explanation is provided but the school consider it insufficient to authorise the absence.
- Unauthorised lateness of 10 school sessions within any rolling 10 school week* period, whereby a child arrives at school after the registers have closed.

NB a penalty notice can be issued for any combination of the above reasons where there are 10 sessions/5 school days or more of unauthorised absence within any rolling 10 school week period. The unauthorised absence can be consecutive or non-consecutive and can span over two terms (including between academic years).

Or where:

- A pupil is observed in a public place during school hours in the first five school days of a period of exclusion from school, without reasonable justification.

* a school week is any week in which a school meets at least once.

Who can be issued with a Penalty Notice?

Parents and carers of a child can be issued with a Penalty Notice. The definition of a 'parent' as set out in section 576 of the Education Act 1996. By virtue of this section 'parent' includes: all natural parents, whether they are married or not; any person or body who has parental responsibility for a child (as defined by the Children Act 1989) and any person who, although not a natural parent, has care of a child. Having care of a child means a person who lives with and looks after a child, irrespective of what their relationship is with said child.

How much is a Penalty Notice fine?

As of the 19th of August 2024, a penalty notice is £80 if paid within 21 days. If the fine is not paid in 21 days, it will rise to £160 if paid within 28 days of being issued.

If a second penalty notice is issued to the same parent for the same child within a three-year rolling period, the fine will automatically rise to £160 with no option to pay the lower rate of £80.

If a parent then commits a third offence in a three-year rolling period, Cornwall Council will need to consider other enforcement options available. This could include prosecution under section 444(1) or section 444(2A) of the Education Act 1996. If found guilty a parent would receive a criminal record and substantial fine.

Penalty Notices are issued per parent, per child.

Therefore, if there are two parents and two children, the fines will total £320 if paid within 21 days or £640 if paid after 21 days but within 28 days for a second offence.

Can a Penalty Notice be paid in instalments?

No. Penalty Notices must be paid in full, within the designated dates. However, if a parent has more than one child and is therefore issued with more than one fine, they can pay the fines separately if they wish.

Who is responsible for issuing Penalty Notices?

It is a Headteacher's decision whether or not to authorise an absence and, if their decision is not to authorise, they have the right to request a Penalty Notice in line with their attendance policy process. Cornwall Council's role is to check that the evidence submitted is compliant with Cornwall Council's Code of Conduct for Education Related Penalty Notices and, if so, to issue as appropriate.

Can a parent appeal a Penalty Notice?

There is no statutory right of appeal once a Penalty Notice has been issued. If you believe that the Penalty Notice should not have been issued, you should make contact with the school or academy that your child attends at your very earliest convenience after receiving the Penalty Notice. If you wish to discuss the Penalty Notice procedure, you can contact Cornwall Council's Education Welfare Service on 01872 324298, or email educationwelfare@cornwall.gov.uk

WhatsApp

WhatsApp is incredibly popular with young people and is used for group chats, voice messages and video calls. **Users should be at least 13 years old to use WhatsApp.**

We frequently receive reports of children using WhatsApp inappropriately, such as sharing images to embarrass others, sending hurtful messages, spreading rumours, or excluding people from group chats to make them feel left out. Since WhatsApp lacks parental controls, it is important to think about whether it is really the right platform for your child. For example, you should consider if your child has the critical thinking skills to recognise bullying. Furthermore, do they understand how to manage peer pressure and refrain from joining in on hurtful behaviour?

What should I be aware of if my child is using WhatsApp?

- **Group chats:** Everyone within a group, even if they are not one of your child's contacts, will be able to see all messages within that group. If your child is added to a group with someone that they have previously blocked, that person can still see their messages and send them messages within the group chat.
- **Inappropriate content:** users can be exposed to content that is not suitable for their age.
- **Location sharing:** talk to your child about the potential danger of sharing their location.
- **Chat lock/secret code:** users can lock chats as well as apply a secret code setting so a chat does not appear in the main chat.
- **Screentime due to addictive nature**
- **AI:** WhatsApp includes Meta AI.

What can I do?

- Check privacy settings, for example check who can add them to groups.
- Ensure your child understands that they can leave a chat at any time. Find out more here: <https://faq.whatsapp.com/424124173736394>
- Show your child how to block and report other users. Find out how here: <https://faq.whatsapp.com/142481766359885/>
- Use parental controls such as screentime controls or do not disturb to reduce alerts.
- Talk about who they are chatting with, encourage them to think carefully about the messages they send and how they might be received by others. Talk about positivity and not saying anything hurtful. Ask them to think about whether they would say what they are messaging, face to face.
- Chat to your child about the groups that they belong to.

Further information

Find out more here:

- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zc8vvg8>
- https://faq.whatsapp.com/773166357950949?helpref=faq_content

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Italian Brainrot

Have you heard of Italian Brainrot? It is a viral trend consisting of AI generated characters featuring in memes and videos. It originally started on TikTok but can now be seen on other platforms such as YouTube and Instagram. There are also lots of spinoff content including a game on Roblox.

Whilst the content is generally nonsensical and children will find some of it funny, some content can include inappropriate/offensive language and content that might not be suitable for your child's age.

iOS 26

Apple have released their new operating system – iOS 26. Protect Young Eyes have published an article detailing the changes relating to your child's safety, including content filtering in Safari. Find out more here:

<https://www.protectyouneyes.com/blog/articles/a-parents-guide-to-ios-26>

Managing Digital Spending

Parent Zone have created a guide to help teach your child how to manage their online spending. You can read it here:

<https://parentzone.org.uk/article/managing-digital-spending-guide-parents>

ADHD, Screen Time, and Healthy Boundaries

Bark have created this guide for parents of children with ADHD to support you in helping your child create a healthy relationship with technology. You can access it here:

<https://www.bark.us/blog/adhd-kid-and-tech/>



Online Safety Newsletter

Oct 2025

Risks of using AI for mental health

AI chatbots and wellness apps are becoming increasingly popular, which may lead to your child accessing them to support their mental health.

What should I be concerned about?

- The information/advice given may not always be accurate.
- Privacy concerns of how data is collected and used.
- Children may use these apps rather than seeking help from an adult.

What can I do?

- Chat to your child regularly about what apps and websites they are using and why.
- Remind them AI is a tool and not a substitute for qualified professionals who provide tailored advice/support.
- Talk to them about how they should fact check information.
- Check age ratings.

Further information

<https://stigmatafreementalhealth.com/blog/supporting-youth-mental-health-with-ai-a-guide-for-parents-and-caregivers/>

Would you like to read this newsletter in a different language? You can use the translate tool on our web version: <https://www.knowsleycitycs.org.uk/october-2025/>

YouTube

YouTube is one of the most popular platforms, available across many different devices - phones, tablets and Smart TVs etc. **YouTube is intended for users over the age of 13**, however, younger children can still access YouTube with consent from a parent/ guardian. There are different options available to access YouTube, depending on your child's age:

1. **YouTube Kids** – a separate app that includes a smaller selection of videos based on the age category you select: Preschool (ages 4 and under), Younger (ages 5–8) or Older (ages 9–12).

2. **Supervised accounts** – a parent-managed version of YouTube that allows you to control the content your child can access. You can select one of the following options:

- **Explore** - Generally for viewers aged 9+.
- **Explore more** - Generally for viewers aged 13+.
- **Most of YouTube** - This setting includes almost everything except for videos marked as 18+.

Find out more: <https://support.google.com/youtube/answer/10315420>

What do I need to be aware of?

Whilst YouTube can be educational and fun, it is important to be aware of the potential risks, such as:

- **Inappropriate content**
- **Excessive Screentime** – particularly due to the autoplay feature.
- **Unwanted contact / cyberbullying** – particularly via comments if your child is sharing videos.
- **Algorithms** – algorithms influence what we see to keep us engaged. This can lead to a user being exposed to large amounts of content about one topic/theme, which may not be helpful if it is negative.
- **Adverts** that may not be aimed at or suitable for your child's age.

What can I do?

- Set up appropriate parental controls.
- Show your child the reporting and blocking tools available.
- Watch YouTube together or supervise use.

Further information

<https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/entertainment-search-engines/youtube-app/>



The deadline for applications is
15 January 2026

Starting school September 2026

Applying for a place in a reception class for children born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022



Attending a nursery or pre-school

You will need to apply even if your child attends a school's nursery or pre-school class. Please note that if a school is oversubscribed the fact that a child attends a school's nursery or pre-school, or a local nursery or pre-school, does not automatically guarantee a place at that school. The school's oversubscription criteria will be used to allocate places. Visit our website or contact us for more information.

Information and guidance

Application form and information: www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions
Telephone: 0300 1234 101



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The deadline for applications is
15 January 2026

Do you have a child born **between** **1 September 2021** and **31 August 2022**?

If so, you will need to apply for a place in a reception class in September 2026 for your child by the deadline of **15 January 2026**.



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Primary Transition 2025-26

A summary of all key dates for Primary Events at Hoyle Academy

01 School Y6 Transition Meetings

Throughout Autumn 1, Mrs Luck will be visiting primary school assemblies with new Year 7 students from each school to speak about their secondary school transition experiences as part of our Alumni Assemblies.

During June and July, Hoyle Academy staff will be arranging to visit Year 6 Teachers or Head Teachers to discuss students who will be joining Hoyle Academy and to also meet with those students to ensure a smooth transition into Year 7.

02 Super Saturday Programme

We are delighted to be able to offer our "Super Saturday" programme again this year. Primary students are able to book onto a series of workshops that will take place throughout the year.

These are a great opportunity to develop your knowledge and skills, as well as meeting new people and making new friends.

03 Music and Performing Arts

Hoyle Academy School Production will take place on Wednesday 8th and Thursday 9th July 2026. Miss Rule will be contacting schools regarding workshops and opportunities for primary students to be involved!

04 Sport

We will be hosting a series of sporting festivals throughout the year, where schools are invited to attend, develop skills and compete against other local primary schools.

These events will usually take place on Thursday afternoons from 13.30 - 15.00.

05 Summer Series

During Summer 2 there will be an opportunity to sign up to school specific, subject based workshops at Hoyle Academy.

More information and booking links will come out in the Summer Term.

06 Open Evening

Hoyle Academy Open Evening: Thurs 18th September 2025 17.00 - 19.30

Headteacher Group Talk and Tours will take place throughout September and October. Book your place via the link on the website: www.hoyleacademy.net/primary-transition.

07 Year 6 Transition Day and Evening

Our Year 6 Transition Day and Parents Evening will take place on Wednesday 24th June 2026. All new Year 7s are invited to attend a day at Hoyle Academy where they will meet their tutors, tutor groups and experience a day as a Year 7.

Parents are then invited to join us in the evening and every student will be gifted their Hoyle Academy t-shirt!

Enhanced Y6 Transition

Please contact Naomi Thomson if you have children who you feel would benefit from additional transition sessions with our SEND team. These will take place during the Summer Term. nthomson@hoyleacademytrust.org.

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

Hear Music.
Learn Music.
Play Music.

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

Sign Up At:
CMST.co.uk/signup

FOSS



The Friends of St Erth School would like to let you know they now have a Co-Chair for FOSS Marie!

They would also like to thank everyone who attended our Volunteers Meeting on Monday and for Marie & Richard for helping at the Farmers Market on Saturday and for all of the delicious cakes and cookies.

Did you know that you can support Friends of St Erth School every time you shop online! Even better for every person that adds the Easyfundraising app and links it to our account we get an extra £2 bonus donation during October! It's quick and easy just follow this link [Fundraising for FOSS](#)

The date has been set for the Christmas Fair - if you know of anyone who would like to have a stall please get them to contact FOSS - details below - fingers crossed that the weather is on our side this year!

The advertisement features a pink background with the 'easyfundraising | Parentkind' logo at the top. Three people are shown: a woman on the left, a woman in the center holding a large smartphone displaying the app interface, and a man on the right. A large smartphone in the center shows the app's interface. To the right of the phone is a graphic that says 'The Free £2 App-eal'. Below the phone, the text reads 'Earn an App-solutely FREE £2 donation for:'. A list of three steps is provided: 1. Use the QR code right to install the free easyfundraising app. 2. Use the app to find our PTA and sign up as a supporter. 3. We get a £2 bonus donation each time this happens before 31st October. A QR code is located to the right of the list. At the bottom, it says 'Free donations for our PTA when you shop online.' and lists logos for TESCO, Argos, ebay, JOHN LEWIS & PARTNERS, and 8000+ online retailers.

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Clothes bank

It has been emptied and is ready to accept more! Please place your donation bundle, in a bag that is tied up, in the clothes bin.

Q: What textiles/ clothes can be recycled?

A: We can accept the following items:

- ✓ Wearable Clothing
- ✓ Paired Shoes
- ✓ Handbags
- ✓ Belts



ST ERTH FARMERS MARKET



Thank you!
We raised £103.45



Please email us if you
would like a stall at
this year's event -
£25 + a raffle prize

foss@sterth.tpacademytrust.org

ST ERTH *Christmas Market*



SATURDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2 - 6PM

Supporting a Child with ADHD



Challenge the stereotypes and get practical help

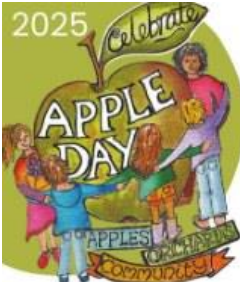
Tuesday 11th November 7 - 8:30pm

90 minute session. Recording available for 48hrs

£24.

Available to book now
facefamilyadvice.co.uk



2025  Celebrate

APPLE DAY

Join Us!
TRI4 ODD

The Apple!

Please car-share if you can
or come by bus (T1 T2)...or
on your bike...or your feet!

TICKETS

It's cheaper to book in advance
Adults £5 (£6 on the day) Children
6-16 £3 (£4 on the day) Carers and
children 5 & under FREE

www.kehellandtrust.org.uk

Refreshments & Bar

Children's Games & Activities

Live Music all day, Procession
Orchard Blessing, Ceilidh

Rural Crafts & Demonstrations
Exhibition, Tasting, ID, Trees, Orchard Tours
& Advice, Juice & Juice Pressing, Games,
Traditions, Crafts, Cakes, Cider & more

Saturday
11th October
11am until 6pm



Cornwall Partnership
NHS Foundation Trust

**The Mental Health Support Team warmly
invite you to attend...**

Wild Wellbeing

During October half term we are offering **FREE** nature based
creative sessions linked to the 5 ways to wellbeing.

This is for parents and children aged 5-12 in Cornwall.
Please book **EACH** child on to a session.

Morning and afternoon sessions available at:
**The Core at St Ives Community
Orchard - Thursday 30 October**
Hayle Family Hub - Friday 31 October

**We are also offering a Parentwell session at
Penrose Estate - Monday 27 October**

Each session will last approx. 2 hours

To request a place, please complete the online
form or scan the QR code provided:
<https://forms.office.com/e/vc2Dtk8C5B> 

Follow us on Facebook for updates and
upcoming events:
Cornwall Mental Health Support Team (MHST)

Family Morning

Saturday 1st November

10.30am - 12.30 pm

at

The Jackson Foundation Gallery

Free event for all ages

Create a pop-up bird card and find out more about the beautiful birds around us in Cornwall.

Art activity



Nature games

Jackson Foundation

North Row | St Just | TR19 7LB

info.jackson.com | jackson@jacksongallery.com | 01473 610100



Halloween Themed Holiday Club

Tuesday 28th October

9:30 - 3:30
£35 per child

- campfire snack
- den building
- flora and fauna ID
- real tool use
- woodland craft
- child led play

Join us on  

@cornwallsnatureplayground

 naturesplayground@hotmail.com





PARENT CARER COFFEE AFTERNOON

A relaxed drop-in event for Parents and Carers of Children with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND).



- Grab a free drink and snack.
- Meet other Parents and Carers.
- Ask your questions and give feedback.
- Have a look through our resources and signposting information.

WHERE AND WHEN

Date: Friday 14th November 2025

Time: 12:30-2:30pm

Location: Hayle Family Hub, 36 Bodriggy Street, Hayle, TR27 4ND.

www.parentcarerscornwall.org.uk

Hosted by Georgie Watson (she/her)
georgiepcc@outlook.com

Kehelland Trust,
Kehelland,
Cornwall,
TR14 8DD
01209 613353

All Things Batty!

Wednesday
29th October
5.00pm- 7.30pm

Join us for an evening learning about our night flying residents.

Games

Walk around site

Talk by a local expert

Bat box building £5 per box

Tickets available from our website

www.kehellandtrust.org.uk

£5 per person including a filled jacket potato



Well behaved dogs on leads welcome!



U18's must be accompanied by an adult

Scan to find us on Google Maps



MONTHLY DROP-INS

Refreshments
provided

Edward Hain Centre, St Ives

Third Tuesday of every month 2pm to 4pm

St Austell Library

Third Friday of every month 10am to 12pm

Launceston Health Hub

Second Wednesday of every month
10am to 12pm

Open to families looking for
support or anyone wishing to find
out more about our services.

For families with children when a
parent/carer has a terminal illness

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Christmas PARTY

December 14th | 11am to 2pm

St Erme Community Centre

Enchanting magic show
Hands-on Christmas crafts
Music to get everyone in the spirit

Plus, Santa himself will make
a special appearance bringing
a gift for every child!

SCAN QR CODE FOR FULL DETAILS

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Activity Day

with Memory Making Workshop at Wheal Martyn

Sun, 2 November 11am - 3pm

For families with children when a parent/carer has a terminal illness

Come and join us! Our Activity Day includes access to the museum and grounds as well as a Memory Making Workshop, where you can create a memory book to take home.



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Extra Support this Christmas

We know how tough things can be when a parent or carer is facing a terminal illness — especially around the holidays.

That's why we've **extended our Crisis Fund** to offer **shopping vouchers** for a range of retailers, helping families with children prepare for Christmas.

Whether it's gifts, food, or essentials - **don't go without this year. We're here to help.**



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APPLY USING THE QR CODE

#ChristmasSupport #CrisisFund #FamilySupport

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