



# Porthleven School & Pre-School



## Newsletter

Thursday 5th October 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

Thank you to all of the parents who attended our Harvest Festival service yesterday at St. Bartholomew's Church. I am sure you will join me in saying 'well done' to the children for their beautiful singing and confident delivery of the prayers in the service. Our Year 6 Dolphin's Class also performed a Harvest song to music of George Ezra's 'Riding Shotgun', which sang with great enthusiasm. Thank you also for your generous contribution of food produce. We will be dropping off the items to the Helston and Lizard Foodbank, hopefully with some children representatives from our school to find out how they process and offer the donations.



With very best wishes

Mr D Clayden

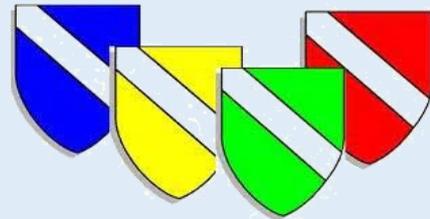
Acting Head of School

## Attendance

Class	Attendance This week	Late Marks
Rainbowfish—YR	96.11	2
Seahorses—Y1	89.16	5
Jellyfish—Y2	95.71	0
Narwhals—Y3	99.5	1
Swordfish—Y4	94.18	0
Manta Rays—Y5	100	0
Dolphins—Y6	95.92	0
WHOLE SCHOOL	96.75	8

Well done to **Manta Ray** class for the best attendance this week!

## House Points



### Running Totals This Term

Cookworthy: 13

Penrose: 17

Gibson: 11

Methleigh: 9

Our winners this week are the

**GIBSON TEAM!**

**Well done!**

## EYFS & KS1 TEAM

### This week we hear from Mrs Penrose in Year 1!

This week the Seahorses have been busy learning about maps in Geography. We have been learning to use a key on a map and understand the symbols to tell us where things are. We focussed on Porthleven, locating physical features such as trees and the beach as well as human features such as the church and the carpark. Together we then mapped out the route for our school trip to the Harvest Festival. Then on Wednesday afternoon we used our maps to navigate the whole school to the church. We looked at the road names and whether we needed to turn left or right.

We have also started a new genre of writing this week, poetry. The children have enjoyed writing metaphors about themselves including them being 'a bright rainbow' or 'a sweet cherry pie' or 'a glistening bright star'. In maths we are learning to use the part – whole method to help us write addition number sentences and the children are growing in confidence using the plus and equals symbol. It is wonderful to see the children starting to become resilient, independent learners.



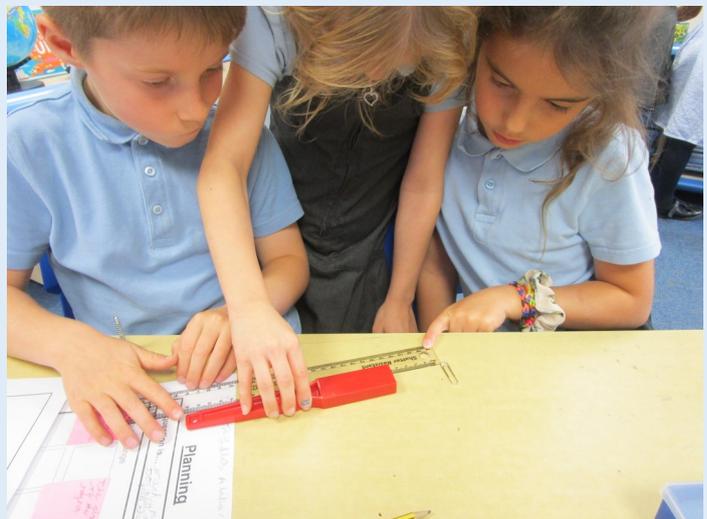
### This week we hear from Mrs Powers in Year 3!

This term Narwhals have been studying Europe. They are able to name and locate major European countries and cities. They have shown an understanding of the human and physical geography in many European countries. This week and next, the children have been using their computer skills to research three European countries, the United Kingdom, Norway and Greece. They have already found out some interesting facts. In Science, we have been learning about forces and magnets. Following our work on magnetic and non-magnetic materials, the children discovered how far a magnet needed to be from an object to exert a force. They experimented with different objects and different sized magnets.

In Art, the children have enjoyed experimenting with charcoal as a drawing medium and in PE we are learning football skills.

This week letters have gone out for year 3 camp. It is a great opportunity for the children to enjoy many outdoor activities. If you are interested, please let the secretary know by Monday 9th October.

## KS2 TEAM



# Accelerated Reader Champions!



Jellyfish	Narwhals	Swordfish	Manta Rays	Dolphins
<b>Class Weekly Word Count</b>				
12,733	85,444	93,733	45,708	161,794
<b>Highest Pupil Weekly Word Count</b>				
Ben 1,980	Rupert 22,840	Ella 31,767	Toby 13,199	Annabelle 69,192
<b>100% achievers - Who has achieved their target?</b>				
Ben	Evie, Gracie, Lottie, Kiera, Eden, Sasha	Sophia, Ezra, Sienna, Merryn	Joe, Ava,	Annabelle

## Recommended reads

### KS1 Book of the week—Hospital Dog



**Author: Julia Donaldson**

**AR Book Level: 2.7**

Dot loves visiting the children of Wallaby Ward, and they're always pleased to see her too! But the work of the hospital dog doesn't stop there and when one of her patients is in trouble, it's up to Dot to save the day!

### KS2 Book of the week

#### Robot Revolution



**Author: James Patterson**

**AR Book Level: 4.6**

Sammy's underappreciated mechanical helpers are causing chaos. It is up to Sammy and his disabled sister Maddie to keep the peace until his mum reveals her secret project.

*\*All books found in school.*

## Maths Whizz Winners

Below is our weekly progression for each class!

**Jellyfish: 3.7**

**Narwhals: 0.7**

**Swordfish: 0.7**

**Manta Rays: 3.3**

**Dolphins: 2.3**

Well done to the Jellyfish class for winning the Maths Whizz trophy this week!



**Maths-Whizz®**  
by whizz EDUCATION

# Important Messages

## Attendance and late arrival

As a reminder, the expected attendance for a child is **95%** or above.

## Tapestry

Year 1 & 2 don't forget to download your journals on tapestry, to allow us to set up our new children's accounts in school.

## Information sent home this week:

- **Football letters**
- **School camp year 3**
- **School camp year 4**
- **Update info for year 5 & 6**

## National Childs Measurement Program Reception & Year 6

The school nursing team will be in school soon to see Reception and Year 6 to take their measurements.

Please find information below for each year group including how to opt out.

**Reception:** <https://www.healthycornwall.org.uk/make-a-change/child-health-programme-reception-year/>

**Year 6:** <https://www.healthycornwall.org.uk/make-a-change/child-health-programme-year-6/>



**NHS**

102,000 children starting school in England are at risk of catching measles

Check your child is up to date with their MMR vaccinations

## Cornish Cottage Holidays

Christmas card competition - One lucky competition winner will win art supplies worth £50 and a bundle of Christmas cards in their design, plus our school will receive £200 for its art department!

To enter please see the information attached, if you would like an entry form printed please let the school office know.

We will be collecting entries in school to submit, so if you would like us to scan your child's entry please sent the completed form to the school office.

## Friday 15th December

Stalls and volunteers needed for your School Christmas Fair!  
Stall are £10 a table. If you know of anyone or would like a table, please let the school office know by emailing [secretary@porthleven.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:secretary@porthleven.cornwall.sch.uk)

Also if you can spare an hour or two to help set up or run a stall for part of the event, please let the school office know. We can't run these events without our amazing volunteers.



# Diary Dates

(additions in red)

Date	Event
Friday 6th October	INSET Day
Thursday 12th October	Year 1 hearing screening
Thursday 19th October	Break the rules day
Thursday 19th October	School Disco
Friday 20th October	Last day of term
Monday 30th October	First day of term
Tuesday 7th November	Cross Country race 3 - Mullion 4pm
Wednesday 15th November	Anti-Bullying awareness event at HCC 2.30-3.30pm
Thursday 16th November	Nasal Flu Immunisations year R – year 6
Friday 8th December	Whole school trip to the Hall for Cornwall
Thursday 14th December	Christmas school Lunch
Friday 15th December	Christmas Fair - Volunteers needed
Tuesday 19th December	Last day of school
Thursday 4th January	INSET Day
Friday 5th January	First day of the Spring term
Monday 19th February	INSET Day
Wednesday 8th May	INSET Day

# SPORTS AT PORTHLEVEN



## Cross Country

This week, the second Cross Country event took place, this time over at HCC. It was a new venue and a tricky course, however our children were, as ever, fantastic with their perseverance and ran their hearts out to bring home some fantastic results! Well done to all those who took part and we look forward to the next event.



## Fitter Futures!

At Porthleven we are working hard towards having a 'Fitter Future!' To do this, we have introduced an extra 10 minutes of fitness time into our daily routine. Classes have been improving their fitness with dances, workouts and stretches.

We know that daily exercise, alongside a balanced diet, will help our bodies and minds stay healthy. Miss Morris-Marsham had the pleasure of joining in with the Year 1s during their Fitter Future time on Tuesday this week and was thrilled to see the determination and HUGE smiles on their faces!

# ROAD SAFETY

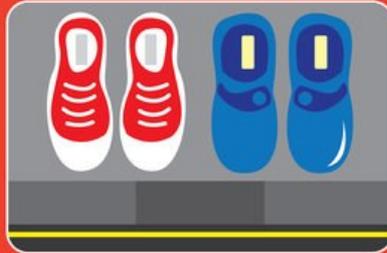
## THINK

about where you should cross.



## STOP

in a safe place at the side of the road.



## USE YOUR EYES & EARS

to see and hear any approaching vehicles.



## WAIT

until all the vehicles have passed.



## LOOK AND LISTEN

again to make sure all is clear.



## CROSS

the road. Keep looking and listening.





UK Health  
Security  
Agency



# Should I keep my child off school?



## Yes

### Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

## No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



SCAN ME

### Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.



# WEEK 2

W/C: 24/04, 15/05, 05/06, 26/06, 17/07, 18/09, 09/10

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT MAINS	<b>Cheese and Tomato Pizza</b> 🌱 Served with Potato Wedges	<b>Chinese Chicken and Vegetable Rice</b> 🌱 🌱	<b>Roast Gammon</b> Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	<b>Beef Lasagne</b> 🌱 Served with Garlic and Herb Bread	<b>Breaded Fish Fingers</b> Served with Chips
	<b>Vegetable Pastry Roll</b> 🌱 Served with Potato Wedges	<b>Cauliflower Macaroni Cheese</b> 🌱 🌱	<b>Sweet Potato and Chickpea Roast</b> 🌱 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	<b>Vegetable Lasagne</b> 🌱 🌱 Served with Garlic and Herb Bread	<b>Vegetarian Dippers</b> 🌱 Served with Chips
JACKET POTATO	<b>Jacket Potatoes</b> 🌱 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	<b>Jacket Potatoes</b> 🌱 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	<b>Jacket Potatoes</b> 🌱 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	<b>Jacket Potatoes</b> 🌱 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	<b>Jacket Potatoes</b> 🌱 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings
<b>Tomato Pasta</b> Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta 🌱 🌱					
All main meals are served with two vegetables					
DESSERT	<b>Oat Chocolate Cookie with Fruit</b> 🌱	<b>Orange Jelly</b>	<b>Chocolate and Banana Marble Cake</b>	<b>Banana and Apricot Flapjack with Fruit</b> 🌱	<b>Strawberry Ice Cream</b>

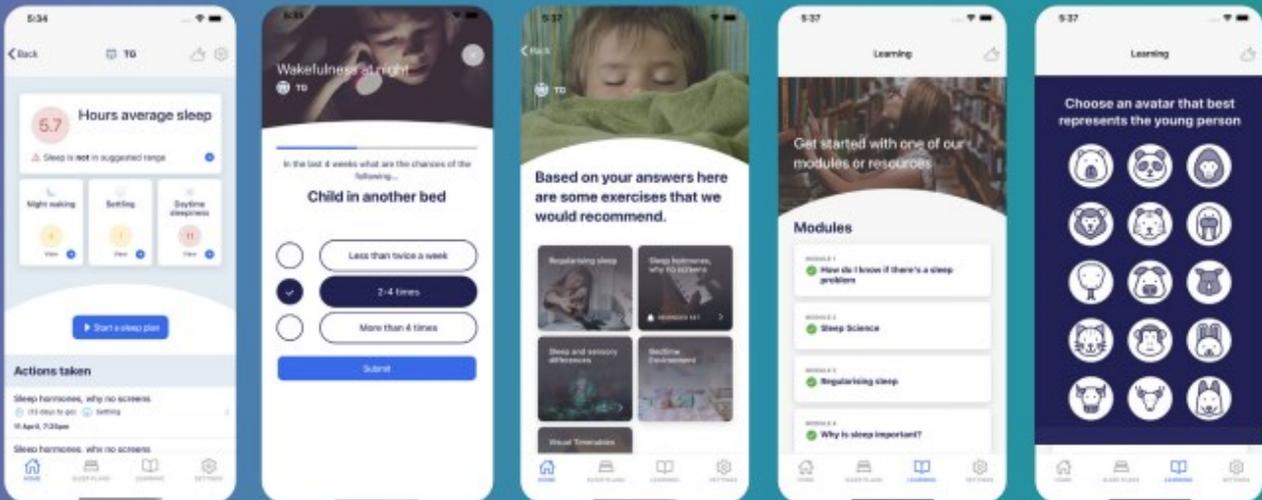


**Sleep Wise**

**NEW  
Improved  
Version**

# The Sleep Wise App

Quality sleep is a critical part of any person's overall well-being. The App now includes a sleep diary facility and a free 7 day trial via the app stores. Contact us for bulk licence purchases.



[www.hunrosa.co.uk/sleep-wise-app](http://www.hunrosa.co.uk/sleep-wise-app)



Scan to learn more

The Sleep Wise App has been designed to help children and young people who have trouble with sleep. This is an effective tool with tried and tested content in clinical settings using real families. Easy to use with friendly language. Effective results.

### WHO WILL BENEFIT FROM THIS APP.

- Parents of children or young people
- Educators
- Health and care professionals
- Includes information about sleep and special needs

**Our App does not gather data about your child and no health data is stored.**



Jointly developed by Hunrosa Sleep Consultancy and NASS (National Association of Independent Schools and Non-Maintained Special Schools).

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# SPOOKY DISCO



**A SPOOKY-THEMED DISCO**

**THURSDAY OCT 19, 2023 | £2 PER CHILD**

**EYFS & KS1 5-5.45PM | KS2 6-7 PM**

**DISCO | GAMES | FANCY DRESS**

**50P SWEET BAGS WILL  
BE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE**