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Monday	12th September 2014
Tuesday	<p>Welcome Back</p> <p>What wonderful weather we had over summer we had sunshine nearly every day. The children look so well and healthy after their break. I would like to welcome Mrs Wood to our staff, she is our new Nursery teacher. I would also like to welcome several new children starting this term throughout the school, plus the Reception class, and our new Nursery children. Everyone is looking so smart.</p>
Wednesday	
Thursday Family Learning	<p>Supa Soccer</p> <p>Supa Soccer with Jamie Thomson started this Thursday 11th September and will be on every Thursday from 3:15-4:15p.m £2.50 per session. If you are new to this activity, it is great fun and open for all levels of skill, go along and have a go. New members welcome. Other after school clubs will be announced shortly.</p>
Friday	<p>Music Tuition</p> <p>If your child is interested in learning brass, guitar, keyboard, drums or woodwind please see Miss Attwood and Miss Evans in the school office. Music lesson will be starting next week with Woodwind on Wednesday 17th September in the afternoon, Guitar lessons will be starting in the morning on Friday 19th September and Drum, Keyboard lesson in the afternoon. Brass lessons will be starting on Tuesday 23rd September and will be in the morning. We will send a text out beforehand to remind you that these lessons will be starting. There is 100% subsidy if your child is identified for Free School Meals, Children in Care or a Service Child. 50% subsidy for families in receipt of Disability Living Allowance. For more information please speak to office staff.</p>
<p>Other dates</p> <p>16th September Under Fives Playgroup</p> <p>18th September Family Learning</p> <p>22nd September Year 6 School camp</p>	<p>Family Learning for Year 1 parents</p> <p>Family Learning begins next Thursday 18th September. Please see Mrs Trounson if you are interested. This is an opportunity to work alongside your child learning some new literacy skills and how to support your children. I know from past years that it is great fun and really useful to parents.</p> <p>St Elvan's Children's Centre Parent consultation morning.</p> <p>There will be a parent consultation meeting on Wednesday 17th September from 9:15 - 11:15 a.m. to discuss Porthleven's children centre. They ask that parents please come along and have their say about the children's centre and there will be free cake. They would also like to talk to you about starting a running group.</p> <p>Free School Meals</p> <p>The governors of Porthleven School made the decision to provide the Universal Infant Free School meal to all pupils from September 2014. This is in support of the Healthy Food Policy at school and in line with government and county guidelines. The decision is based on the benefits to all pupils of a balanced healthy and nutritious meal at midday and the impact it will have on teaching and learning.</p> <p>Parents were informed of this decision in June 2014 and very few parents expressed any concerns directly to the school. Since then we have had two trials when parents were invited into school to eat alongside their children. Those parents that have children with special dietary needs were invited in to talk to the head teacher and the area manager to discuss their needs. These were passed on to the nutritionists at Chartwells and individual menus prepared for them.</p> <p>The school meals have improved greatly over the last months offering the choice of a main meal, a vegetarian option or a jacket potato. Fresh baked bread, salad and fruit are available every day. The school chose the caterers because of their commitment to use organic and locally sourced food.</p> <p>Pupils will continue to be consulted and supported about the changes. The school pupil council will meet with the catering team on a regular basis.</p> <p>The vast majority of parents have been supportive and positive about the changes.</p> <p>All that we ask is that you are patient and support your child in enjoying the food that is offered at school. The caterers and the school will be happy to receive feedback and positive suggestions on how we can develop this further in the future. Any comments and queries about the policy can be sent to school and will be discussed with the governors at their next meeting. I am happy to meet with parents who are concerned and want to speak with me.</p>
<p>Porthleven Under Fives</p> <p>The Porthleven Toddler Group will begin on Tuesday 16th September. Mrs Benner looks forward to seeing you all there.</p>	