

# PORTHLEVEN SCHOOL

Friday 5th December 2025

## Amazing Christmas Decorations!

Thank you to all the children who entered the Christmas Decoration competition! Every design was wonderful and it was incredibly hard to pick the winners. Well done to everyone for your creativity and festive spirit!



## DAILY THINGS TO REMEMBER

- Water Bottle
- Coat
- Reading book and diary

### PE Days From November

Please note year 4 change

Reception - Monday

Year 1 - Thursday

Year 2 - Thursday

Year 3 - Wednesday

**Year 4 - Thursday**

Year 5 - Friday

Year 6 - Friday (swimming)



### INSET Day

Monday 5th January  
school closed to children.



# SEAHORSES



## A<sup>+</sup> SEAHORSE NEWS

Last Friday, Seahorses enjoyed a wonderful visit to the Museum of Cornish Life for a special toy workshop. The children had the opportunity to explore and play with old toys, giving them a real insight into how toys have changed over time. They also created their own peg dolls using a wide range of materials, showcasing fantastic creativity.

To finish the session, the children sorted and ordered teddy bears by age — from over 100 years old to those from the present day. This hands-on activity was a fantastic way to reinforce our learning about old and modern toys.

In maths, we have been exploring 3D shapes, naming and classifying them by their properties. In literacy, we have been reading *Lost in the Toy Museum*. The children have been busy describing the characters in preparation for writing their own stories next week.

It has been a busy and exciting week of learning in Seahorses class.



# MANTA RAYS



## MANTA RAYS NEWS

What an exciting week it has been in Year 5! We have been diving deep into our history topic: Victorian Britain, discovering what life was like over 150 years ago. From the industrial revolution to life in schools and homes, the children have been curious historians, asking fantastic questions and making thoughtful comparisons to life today.

### Our Trip to Bodmin Jail

Last week's highlight was our amazing visit to Bodmin Jail! The children arrived dressed as true Victorians — waistcoats, shawls, flat caps and bonnets everywhere! It really helped set the scene for our immersive adventure into the past. Once inside the jail, we learned all about crime and punishment in the Victorian era. The children were fascinated (and sometimes shocked!) to discover:

- Prisoners would often share a tiny cell with up to 7 other people
- Punishments were designed to be tough and tiring, including:
  - The crank – turning a heavy handle over and over again
  - Pulling oakum – unpicking knotted rope with fingers until they were sore
  - The treadwheel – climbing steps on a giant wheel for hours at a time

Shot drills – lifting and moving heavy cannonballs

During the guided tour, the children took part in interactive experiences and learned how strict and challenging life could be for Victorian prisoners. They especially enjoyed asking the guides questions and exploring the atmospheric surroundings.

We are so proud of how engaged and enthusiastic the children were throughout the trip. They represented the school brilliantly!



# Porthleven Notices & Reminders

## Trip to the Hall for Cornwall – Aladdin - Friday 12th December

We are delighted to share that the children will be heading to the Hall for Cornwall to watch the magical pantomime *Aladdin*. This fantastic production promises plenty of laughter, music, and festive fun!

### Cost of the Trip

- £4.70 per child
- £2.00 for pupil premium children

This reduced cost has been made possible through school fundraising and a generous donation from the PTA.



### Payment Information

Payments can be made via ParentPay or in cash at the school office by Wednesday 10th December. If you have any questions or difficulties with payment, please contact the school on 562249 or email Mrs Blight at [porthlevensecretary@croftymat.org](mailto:porthlevensecretary@croftymat.org).

We are looking forward to a magical day!

### Facebook

Follow us on Facebook to see what we've been up to at school! This month, we'll be counting down to Christmas and wishing you a season filled with magic, connection, and joyful moments. We'd love for you to share your photos or favourite activities below each daily post!



# DECEMBER

# 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	2	3 Extra Christmas play tickets available from 8.30am	4 Outfits for the Christmas play in by today Xmas decoration comp Deadline	5 None Uniform for Red & Blue teams
8 Dress Rehearsal to the school Football 3.45pm Invite only	9 Christmas play 2.15pm Ticket only event Christmas card comp deadline	10 Payments for Panto due Christmas play 2.15pm & 5.30pm Ticket only event	11 Christmas Jumper Day	12 Panto at the Hall for Cornwall
15 Reception & Year 1 Class Christmas Party.	16 Christmas Hats in to be judged Christingle making 8.15am Christingle Service 1.30pm	17 Christmas Hat Winners Announced Christmas Lunch Day	18 Year 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 Class Christmas Parties.	19 None Uniform Day bring an item for the tombola -KS1 & EYFS Sweets or choc KS2 Bottle Rock Concert Invite only 10am Christmas Fair 2 -4pm Last Day Of Term

# Porthleven Notices & Reminders

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## 2. Zen Educate – Christmas Card Competition

Zen Educate are inviting pupils to take part in their festive Christmas card competition—an exciting opportunity for children to be creative and expressive!

### Prizes:

- **1st place:** £150 Amazon voucher (£75 for the school + £75 for the student)
- **2nd place:** £100 Amazon voucher (£50 for the school + £50 for the student)
- **3rd place:** £50 Amazon voucher (£25 for the school + £25 for the student)

Please hand your Christmas cards into the school office by **Tuesday 9th December**.  
Winners will be announced on **Friday 12th December**.



## 3. Christmas Party Hat Competition

As part of our Christmas celebrations, we will be holding a **Party Hat Competition**.

On **Wednesday 17th December**, children will enjoy their school Christmas meal and are invited to wear a festive party hat they have made themselves.

Please ensure hats are brought into school on **Tuesday 16th December**, when the kitchen team will select the winners.

Winners will be announced during lunchtime on Wednesday, and prizes will be awarded on the day.



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We look forward to seeing the wonderful creativity our pupils bring to these festive activities. Thank you for your support and enthusiasm during this special time of year.

# *Porthleven Notices & Reminders*

## **Christmas Raffle**

We are currently gathering raffle prizes for our upcoming Christmas Fair and are inviting local businesses to support us through a prize donation. Any contribution, large or small, would make a meaningful difference.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

## **Arbor Consents**

Thank you to everyone who has already completed the photo consents on Arbor. Going forward, we will be using Arbor for more of our school consent processes.

We have recently had additional consents added to Arbor, which you will now be able to review and update when you log in. This will replace the online form completed at the start of the year.

We would really appreciate it if you could complete the new consents on Arbor, as this will help reduce the admin involved in transferring information manually from the earlier forms.

## **Flu Clinic**

As you may have heard, there have been flu outbreaks around the county and flu is predicted to be particularly virulent this year. Kernow Health will be running extra flu clinics at various locations across Cornwall in early/mid-December these are by appointment only.

Please contact 01872 221105 or email [kernowhealthcic.schoolimmunisation@nhs.net](mailto:kernowhealthcic.schoolimmunisation@nhs.net) for further information on booking an appointment.

# PORTHLEVEN HOUSE POINTS RUNNING TOTALS



WELL DONE TO THIS WEEKS WINNERS – Methleigh

## ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Reception	94.1
Year 1	100
Year 2	100
Year 3	96.4
Year 4	99.6
Year 5	95.5
Year 6	94

This weeks winning class for attendance is  
is  
(Year 1 & 2)  
Seahorses &  
Jellyfish

This weeks whole school attendance is 97.19%

# Diary Dates

Date	Event
Tuesday 9th December - 2pm	Reception, year 1 & Year 2 Christmas Play - Ticketed shows
Wednesday 10th December - 2pm	
Wednesday 10th December - 5pm	
Friday 12th December	Whole School Panto
Tuesday 16th December	Christingle making—Bring an Orange 8.15am
Tuesday 16th December	Carol/Christingle service
Wednesday 17th December	Christmas meal day - create a party hat to wear at lunch
Friday 19th December	Rock concert—invite only
Friday 19th December	Christmas Fair 2 –4pm
Monday 5th January	INSET Day
Wednesday 4th—6th Feb	Year 5 School Camp
Monday 23rd February	INSET Day
Tuesday 3rd March	Year 1 Trip
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day
Friday 20th March	Reception Trip
Thursday 2nd April	Last day of term
Friday 8th May	INSET Day
Tuesday 2nd June	Year 4 trip
Friday 5th June	INSET Day
Wednesday 10th—12th June	Year 4 School Camp
Wednesday 24th June	Class Photos
Thursday 25th—26th June	Year 3 School Camp
Monday 13th –17th July TBC	Year 6 School Camp
Wednesday 22nd July	Last day of Term
Thursday 23rd July	INSET Day

# PORTHLEVEN SCHOOL



# CHRISTMAS



# FAIR 2025



# FOOD★GAME★GIFT

**Dec 19**  
**2-4PM**

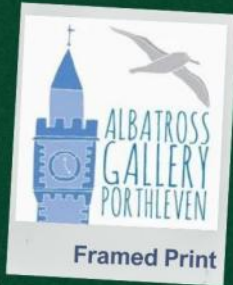
JOIN US FOR SOME FESTIVE FUN AND  
FUNDRAISING! ALL FUNDS RAISED SUPPORT  
OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY ❤️



Cream Tea for 2



Food & Drink Gift



Framed Print



£30 voucher



Organic Trevarno Gift Set



Jewellery

# Christmas Fair Raffle Prizes



£15 Voucher



Glue Gun



2 x Entry Vouchers

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December

Porthleven School PTA

# Christmas Fair Raffle Prizes



2 x cinema vouchers



2 x day entry vouchers



Family ticket

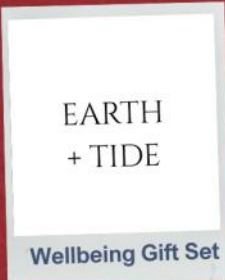
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December

Porthleven School PTA

# Christmas Fair Raffle Prizes



Afternoon Tea for 2



Wellbeing Gift Set

# Christmas Fair Raffle Prizes



Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December

Porthleven School PTA



3 month coffee subscription



Gift set



Person training session worth £45

# Christmas Fair Raffle Prizes



£10 voucher



Mor Maids flower fairy



Handcrafted gift

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December

Porthleven School PTA



You're invited  
to our



Advent

“Getting Ready for  
Christmas” Party...



ST BART'S PORTHLEVEN

SAT 13<sup>TH</sup> DEC 1-3PM

★ GAMES AND CRAFTS

★ CHRISTMAS TREASURE HUNT

★ SEASONAL REFRESHMENTS AND SOUP LUNCH



**FREE FAMILY EVENT**

**ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A RESPONSIBLE ADULT - THANK YOU!**

# Weekly Menus

## Please order on ParentPay

### WEEK 1

W/C: 03/11/2025, 24/11/2025, 15/12/2025, 05/01/2026, 26/01/2026, 09/03/2026, 30/03/2026

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
<b>HOT DISHES</b>	<b>OPTION 1</b>	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges	Beef Bolognese with Wholewheat Pasta	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Chicken and Vegetable Pie with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	Southern Fried Chicken with Chips
	<b>OPTION 2</b>	BBQ Vegetable Wrap with Potato Wedges	Vegetarian Bolognese with Wholewheat Pasta	Roast Quorn with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Cheesy Vegetable Hotpot	Quorn Dippers with Chips
	<b>OPTION 3</b>	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta
HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD						
<b>DELI DISHES</b>	<b>OPTION 4</b>	Cheese and Tomato Wrap	Tuna Wrap	Ham Wrap	Cheese and Tomato Wrap	Ham Wrap
	<b>OPTION 5</b>	Egg Mayonnaise Sandwich	Ham Sandwich	Cheese Sandwich	Tuna Mayonnaise Sandwich	Cheese Sandwich
DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD						
<b>DESSERT</b>	Crunchy Apple Slice	Strawberry Shortcake Mousse	Oat Cookie	Apple Crumble with Custard	Berry Blondie	



**BAKED POTATOES SERVED DAILY**  
With a choice of toppings



**AVAILABLE DAILY**  
Fresh fruit, salad, yoghurt and water

Vegetarian Vegan Oily Fish Wholegrain Fruity! NutriMinder's Choice  
Our menus are subject to change. Please be assured that all notified medical diets and allergy requirements will be safely catered for.

### WEEK 2

W/C: 10/11/2025, 01/12/2025, 12/01/2026, 02/02/2026, 23/02/2026, 16/03/2026

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
<b>HOT DISHES</b>	<b>OPTION 1</b>	Macaroni Cheese	Pork Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	BBQ Chicken with Rainbow Rice	Battered Pollock with Chips
	<b>OPTION 2</b>	Veggie Burrito with Wholegrain Rice	Vegetarian Sausage with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	Veggie Shepherd's Pie with Gravy	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Garlic Bread or Pasta Salad	Veggie Fingers with Chips
	<b>OPTION 3</b>	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta
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DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD						
<b>DESSERT</b>	Chocolate Caramel Crunch	Flapjack	Chocolate Brownie	Apple and Golden Syrup Sponge with Custard	Chocolate Cookie	



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### WEEK 3

W/C: 17/11/2025, 08/12/2025, 19/01/2026, 09/02/2026, 02/03/2026, 23/03/2026

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
<b>HOT DISHES</b>	<b>OPTION 1</b>	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges	Beef Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Wholewheat Pasta	Roast Gammon with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	Chicken and Sweetcorn Pasta Bake	Battered Pollock with Chips
	<b>OPTION 2</b>	Veggie Meat Feast Pizza with Potato Wedges	Veggie Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Wholegrain Pasta	Quorn Roast with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	Macaroni Cheese	Veggie Fingers with Chips
	<b>OPTION 3</b>	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta
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DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD						
<b>DESSERT</b>	Chocolate Marble Cake	Orange Glazed Sticky Sponge Cake with Custard	Lemon Cookie	Crunchy Chocolate Mousse	Fruits of the Forest Jelly	



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# SPACE

## Supporting Parents And Children Emotionally

**SPACE** is a **free** programme for **any parent or carer** who wants to better understand and support their children's emotions, as well as their own.

**Each SPACE course is 5 sessions long and will cover:**

- Understanding what is meant by a Trauma Informed approach
- Understanding toxic stress and the flight/fight response
- Practical approaches to support children to regulate their emotions
- Healthy coping strategies for dealing with stress
- Managing different emotions
- Understanding behaviour
- Building resilience in ourselves and our children
- Adopting appropriate expectations of children
- Enhancing your ability to provide nurturing care

**MHST has several upcoming 5 session SPACE courses as follows:**

**Every Monday from 12<sup>th</sup> January -9<sup>th</sup> February 2026 - 13:00-14:30**  
**FACE TO FACE at Helston Family Hub, Bulwark Road, Helston, TR13 8JF**

with **ONLINE** programmes on:

**Every Friday from 9<sup>th</sup> January-6<sup>th</sup> February 2026 - 09:30-10:30**

or

**Every Monday from 12<sup>th</sup> January-9<sup>th</sup> February 2026 - 09:30-10:30**

To request a place, complete the online form or scan the QR code provided **BY 19<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2025:**  
<https://forms.office.com/e/rrUONGgLMv>



**These courses are for parents/carers of children 5-11 yrs only**

**Spaces are limited (Max 8 per session); if you cannot attend, please notify us ASAP - 01726 873204**

## School aged vaccinations

# Did you know children will be offered these routine vaccinations at school?

- ✓ **FLU** - Reception - Year 11
- ✓ **MMR** - Catch-up
- ✓ **HPV** - Year 8 - Year 11
- ✓ **Meningitis ACWY** - Year 9 - Year 11
- ✓ **Diphtheria, Tetanus, Polio (DTP)** - Year 9 - Year 11



**FLU**



**MMR**



**HPV**



**MENINGITIS  
ACWY**



**DIPHTHERIA  
TETANUS  
POLIO (DTP)**

## Did you miss us?

We also have community clinics across Cornwall for:

- ✓ Home educated children
- ✓ Anxious children
- ✓ Children who missed the session at school

Call us on

**01872 221105**

[Kernowhealthcic.schoolimmunisation@nhs.net](mailto:Kernowhealthcic.schoolimmunisation@nhs.net)

# Want to play drums?



**Learn your favourite songs!**

**SCAN ME TO  
SIGN UP!**



**Fun lessons from beginner to pro!**

**Lessons available now!**

More information visit: [www.cmst.co.uk/music-lessons](http://www.cmst.co.uk/music-lessons)

# COMMUNICATION AT PORTHLEVEN SCHOOL



## BY PHONE

Ring 01326 562249 between 8.15am & 3.30pm to speak to Mrs Blight out side these hours please leave a message.



## BY EMAIL

Email [porthlevensecretary@croftymat.org](mailto:porthlevensecretary@croftymat.org) anytime or your class email. Queries will be responded to between 8.30 and 4pm.



## ARBOR

Photo consent and communication from school will be from Arbor please download the app (pls contact the office for support setting up).

## OUR NEWSLETTER

Up coming dates for your diaries are shared on the newsletter along with some classroom news.

## OUR WEBSITE

Our website contains useful information about our school.

# Crofty Community Awards



Name of person nominated	Pupil or member of staff?
School	
<p>Why are you nominating this person? What have they done to demonstrate their commitment to the Crofty value of community?</p>	
Name	Date



# Crofty Community Awards

One of Crofty core values is community. We believe in the power of the group to overcome bigger challenges, the strength of equity—knowing that no one succeeds unless we all succeed, embracing collective responsibility, celebrating the success of others and making a positive contribution to the team.

This award is to celebrate the members of our Trust who go above and beyond. Those who are selfless and take positive action to make things happen. They go above and beyond the everyday expectations to impact positively on our school community, making a significant positive contribution.



## Nominations

Do you know a pupil or member of staff who could be described in this way?

Please fill in the form and return it to [vanessa.schreiber@croftymat.org](mailto:vanessa.schreiber@croftymat.org) if you would like to nominate someone to receive a Crofty Community Award.