

PORTHLEVEN SCHOOL

Friday 20th March 2026

Thank you for completing a parent survey for Ofsted this year. Unfortunately, only limited feedback is shared with us, so we would really appreciate it if you could complete our survey as well. It's a quick and easy way to share what's working well and where we can continue to improve for everyone.

We really value your thoughts, and your feedback helps us make informed decisions for the whole school community. Thank you for taking the time to have your say!

Parent Survey - Porthleven 2026



DAILY THINGS TO REMEMBER

- Water Bottle
- Coat
- Reading book and diary

PE Days From January

Please note year 3 change

Reception - Monday

Year 1 - Thursday

Year 2 - Thursday

Year 3 - Friday (Swimming)

Year 4 - Friday

Year 5 - Friday

Year 6 - Friday



INSET Day

Friday 8th May

School closed to children.



RAINBOWFISH



RAINBOWFISH NEWS

In Rainbowfish class, we have been very busy learning about our local area in Porthleven, as well as exploring other parts of Cornwall. We have been using maps to identify key landmarks, including St Michael's Mount, which helped prepare us for our visit on Friday.

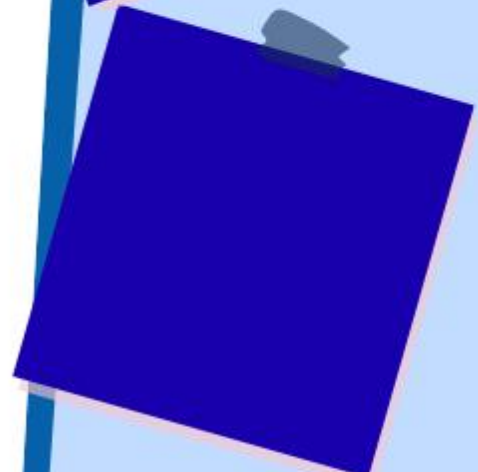
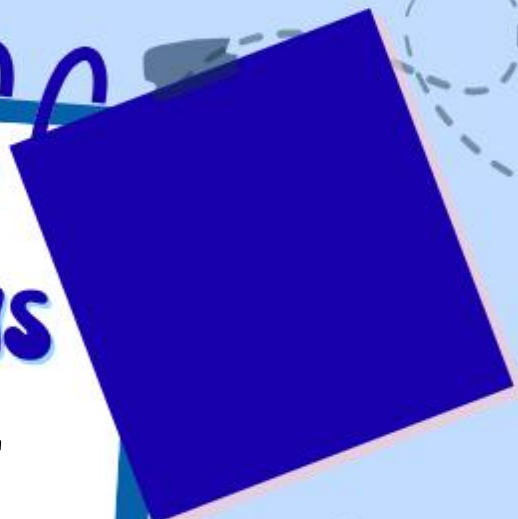
The class thoroughly enjoyed the trip. When we arrived in Marazion, we managed a quick stop at the park before walking across the causeway. After leaving our belongings in the 'Learning Area', we began our walk up the mount. Along the way, we paused to listen to the story of Jack and the Giant, and then searched for the giant's heart along the pathway. When we reached the top, the children were excited to look back towards the mainland. We explored the house before heading back down for lunch.

Anyone who has visited will know how steep the climb is, with some very large steps that can be quite challenging for little legs. However, the Rainbowfish children embraced the challenge and were true superstars, making it all the way up and back down again without any hesitation.

As part of our topic, the children have also been learning about foods that are part of Cornish culture. We were lucky enough to make our own pasties (thank you, Chartwells), which the children thoroughly enjoyed both making and eating. Some children who were not previously keen on pasties have even changed their minds after trying their own creations!

Last week was also Science Week, during which the children explored the theme of conservation. We discussed whether certain items belonged in our local environment and carried out a litter pick around the school grounds, finding lots of rubbish that did not belong in nature. Some children even created their own tree models to remind us that animals need safe places to live. As a class, we agreed that we should take responsibility for protecting our environment by reducing waste. We are now trying to remember to put lids on our pens and avoid wasting paper and tape.

Next week, we will be learning the sea shanty "The Wellerman." Keep an eye on Google Classroom for our performance!



SWORDFISH



A+ SWORDFISH NEWS

Today we had the pleasure of meeting creator Chante Timothy via Zoom. She's an illustrator and writer of several children's comics/graphic novels/standard novels, with a really cool art style and some funny/freaky monster designs. During our session, she led us in a drawing competition to draw our own version of her character Chomp – then to personalise and 'go random' with decorations on the poor slime monster! The children loved her energy, sense of humour, and artistic ability. She started out as a drawer, then inker, then had a go at writing her own stories. She said that video games and anime were big inspirations on her style, which several Swordfish children could identify with. Her novel Super Nova is well worth a read and a sequel is due out soon. It's got some of the humour and art-based humour of Bunny Vs Monkey, but with fleshed out writing and (in my opinion) better characters and plot! Thanks to Chante for her time – the kids really enjoyed meeting her.



Porthleven Notices & Reminders

Parking Reminder – Keeping Our Children Safe

We kindly ask all parents and carers to avoid parking on the yellow lines or zig-zag markings outside the school. These restrictions are in place to ensure clear visibility and safe crossing for our children at the start and end of the school day.

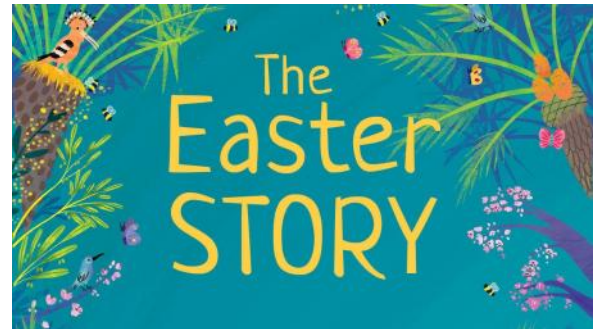


Parking in these areas can put pupils at risk by blocking sightlines and creating unsafe conditions near the entrance. We appreciate your cooperation in helping us keep everyone safe.

Easter Service

We are looking forward to welcoming you to our Easter Service next Monday at 1:30pm at St Bart's Church.

The Easter story will be shared in sections, introduced by readers from Year 6 and Year 5. Each class will also take part by standing and reciting a short stanza within the service.



Please note that the children will walk down to the church and return to school after the service. Please do not take your child after the service. Children are to be collected at the usual time of 3.15pm from school.

We do hope you are able to join us for this special occasion as we come together to celebrate Easter.

As a reminder to parents about attendance

If you book a holiday in term time which is 5 days or more, and is not approved as an exceptional circumstance, our policy - in line with DFE guidance, is to refer this to the local authority for a fine to be issued. Please also be aware that schools need to consider fining if a child has 10 unauthorised sessions in a rolling 10 week period. Please do contact the school if you have further questions.



Porthleven Notices & Reminders

School Football

Well done to the boys who took part in last week's football match! Unfortunately, due to the recent bad weather, all of our other games this season were cancelled, so this was our only opportunity to play.

The team competed against schools from across the area, worked together brilliantly, and finished **2nd in the league**.



Donations of Old Uniform

We are currently looking for donations of school uniform to use as spare clothing for our Reception class. We are also in need of spare pants and socks.

If your child has borrowed any spare pants, socks, or uniform from school, please ensure these items are washed and returned as soon as possible.

Thank you for your continued support.

PORTHLEVEN HOUSE POINTS RUNNING TOTALS



WELL DONE TO THIS WEEKS WINNERS – Penrose

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Reception	100
Year 1	98.1
Year 2	93.8
Year 3	99.6
Year 4	94.1
Year 5	95.9
Year 6	94.3

This weeks winning class for attendance is
(Year R)
Rainbowfish

This weeks whole school attendance is 96.21%

Awards & Achievements

Outside of School



Gymnastics Grades

Last weekend, several of our gymnasts from Helston Swallows participated in the Women's Artistic Gymnastics grading. All three performed exceptionally well, successfully passing their grades. In addition, they achieved some outstanding results, bringing home top marks and medals. We are incredibly proud of their hard work and dedication!



Diary Dates

Date	Event
Friday 26th March	Rock concert invite only
Thursday 26th March	Lego Cake Sale
Thursday 2nd April	Break the Rules Day for the Lego
Thursday 2nd April	Last day of term
Monday 27th April	Year 1 Parents Meeting For Phonics Screening
Tuesday 28th April	Cross country race 5—All year groups—Mullion
Friday 8th May	INSET Day
Tuesday 12th May	Cross Country race 6—All Years—Helston South
Tuesday 2nd June	Year 4 trip
Friday 5th June	INSET Day
Tuesday 9th June	Cross Country Fun Run—All year Groups—Mullion
Wednesday 10th—12th June	Year 4 School Camp
Wednesday 24th June	Class Photos
Thursday 25th—26th June	Year 3 School Camp
Monday 29th June	Year 1 trip
Monday 13th –17th July TBC	Year 6 School Camp
Wednesday 22nd July	Last day of Term
Thursday 23rd July	INSET Day



EASTER RAFFLE



RAISING MONEY FOR THE
PORTHLEVEN LEGO TEAM
'THE ARCHAEOLOGIST'

£1
A TICKET

TICKETS ON SALE FROM
THE SCHOOL OFFICE

DRAW WILL TAKE PLACE ON
THURSDAY 2ND APRIL



CAKE SALE!

HELP US GET TO NATIONALS!

THE
ARCHAEOLOGISTS
LEGO
GISTS

BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER!



THURSDAY 26TH MARCH AFTER SCHOOL!

SUPPORT THE TEAM!
BUY SOME TREATS!



Easter Holiday Club



Carwynnen, Camborne

Thursday 9th April


Thursday 16th April

9:30 - 3:30

£35 per child

Join us on  

@cornwallsnatureplayground

 naturesplayground@hotmail.com

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



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NAVIGATING LIFE'S JOURNEY
AS A SEND PARENT CARER

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A UNIQUE JOURNEY

Parenting a child with SEND comes with its challenges and rewards. It can sometimes feel overwhelming or isolating, but you don't have to navigate it alone.

THE PARENTING EXPEDITION

The Parenting Expedition is a supportive programme created by parents with lived experience. It offers a space to reflect, connect, and develop practical strategies alongside others who understand.

THE PROGRAMME:

Small group setting to encourage meaningful discussion and support. Venue: Porthleven

Tues 5th May : 12:00 - 14:45 Tues 2nd June: 12:00 - 14:45
Tues 12th May: 12:00 - 14:45 Tues 9th June: 12:00 - 14:45
Tues 19th May : 12:00 - 14:45 Tues 16th June: 12:00 - 14:45

Self Discovery

Explore your own strengths and needs to create a supportive environment where your child can thrive.

Practical Strategies

Learn approaches to managing daily challenges and strengthening your connection with your child.

Emotional Support

Build confidence and resilience within a like-minded community.

*"This has been a very **enjoyable, enlightening and heart-warming** experience. I have learned a lot about myself, gained skills to help my daughter and made connections with lovely people. I have been made to **feel accepted** and welcome.*

*"I really enjoyed the course. I feel I met lovely people that I **really connected** with and learnt a lot in a **supportive space.**"*

*"Both Sharon & Helen created a **unique experience.** It really made me feel much **more positive** about my really challenging home life."*

*"The course far **exceeded** any expectation or pre-conceived idea. An **incredibly empowering** course held among a really **empathetic and encouraging group.** It was so good to realise I no longer need to feel or be isolated."*

FIND OUT MORE

If you are interested in joining or finding out more, please contact:

Helen Girvan

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THE PROGRAMME:

Sessions are designed to meet the individual needs of parents in the group. They follow the framework below:

- Session 1:** Discovering the map
- Session 2:** Leading the expedition
- Session 3:** Packing your backpack
- Session 4:** Challenging Terrain
- Session 5:** The new route
- Session 6:** Returning home

HOW PARENTS HAVE REPORTED CHANGE IN THEIR PARENTING OUTLOOK:

Theme	Before	After
Emotional State	Overwhelmed, anxious, stressed	Empowered, hopeful, positive
Sense of Support	Unsupported, isolated	Connected, supported, empathetic
Confidence	Worn down, unsure, exhausted	Equipped, strong, powerful
Outlook	Uncertain, concerned	Informed, optimistic, brighter

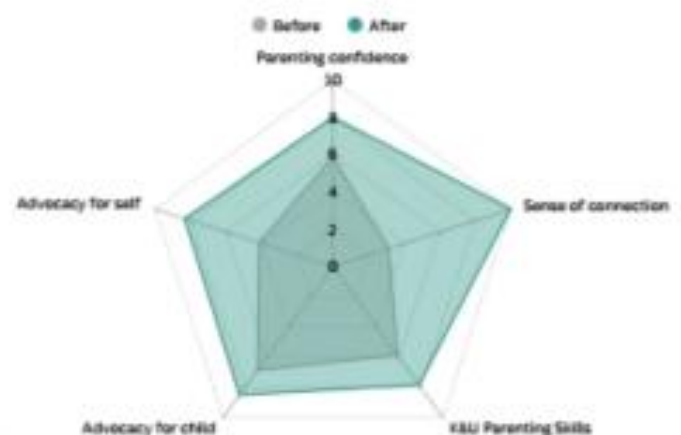
COSTS:

Thanks to a generous National Lottery Grant, there is no cost to attend the programme (which includes 15-hours of workshop time, refreshments and course materials). We open up an opportunity for parent-carers to 'pay it forward' by donating to our Crowdfunder:

[The Parenting Expedition Crowdfunder](#)



PROGRAMME IMPACT



*"This programme **exceeded** my expectations; I now have strength in my own convictions as a parent, compassion for others on the same journey, **understanding** of the young people we are trying to guide in this world, and confirmation or validation of how important it is to **look after myself better** - it begins with us!!"*

FIND OUT MORE

To find out more and reserve your space please contact Helen or Sharon:

Helen Girvan
Sharon Wilson

helen@kynde.co.uk
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MHST Wild Wellbeing

MHST, in collaboration with Natural England, Cornwall Wildlife Trust and National Trust, would like you to join us on a FREE Wild Wellbeing session in Cornwall.

This is for parents and children aged 5-12 in Cornwall to help understand and support emotional and mental wellbeing.

Please book EACH child on to a session

Each session will last approx. 2 hours

Locations and dates:

07 April - Golitha Falls

07 April - The Gardeners House, Penzance

14 & 15 April - Penrose Estate

16 April - St Ives Community Orchard

More sites and dates may be added so keep checking!

All sessions will begin at 10am. Please wear weather appropriate clothing!



To request a place, complete the online form

<https://forms.office.com/e/CdbKBnMH0q>



Scan to sign up

Please be aware that spaces are limited and assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. If you cannot attend after being allocated a place, inform us so we can give your spot to someone else.

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

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	
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	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
	OPTION 2	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
	OPTION 3	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						
DELI DISHES	OPTION 4	Cheese and Tomato Wrap	Tuna Wrap	Ham Wrap	Cheese and Tomato Wrap	Ham Wrap
	OPTION 5	Egg Mayonnaise Sandwich	Ham Sandwich	Cheese Sandwich	Tuna Mayonnaise Sandwich	Cheese Sandwich
DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD						
DESSERT	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! NutriMaid'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	
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	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
	OPTION 2	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
	OPTION 3	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						
DESSERT	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	
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	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
	OPTION 2	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
	OPTION 3	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						
DESSERT	Chocolate Marble Cake	Orange Glazed Sticky Sponge Cake with Custard	Lemon Cookie	Crunchy Chocolate Mousse	Fruits of the Forest Jelly	



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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 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.