

PORTHLEVEN SCHOOL

Friday 1st May 2026

Dear Parents / Carers,

As we begin the summer term, I would like to start by congratulating our fantastic Lego League team for their recent participation in the National Tournament in Harrogate. They represented our school with such enthusiasm, teamwork and determination, and we are incredibly proud of the way they showcased not only their skills, but also their character. I would like to extend a huge thank you to Mrs Blight for her incredible organisation, commitment and enthusiasm and to Mr Goward for his support and giving of his time.

This term promises to be a busy and exciting one, filled with opportunities for every child to shine and grow in confidence. From pupils in Dolphins preparing for and completing their SATs, to those heading off on residential visits, taking part in Sports Day, or embracing new challenges, there is something for everyone to look forward to.

We are particularly excited to be developing our outdoor learning experiences that foster independence, resilience and creativity through *Wild Schools* in the Sensory Garden. Every class will have the chance to build dens, cook on open fires and learn new crafts. Alongside this, there will of course be the rich and engaging learning taking place in classrooms every day, where curiosity and achievement continue to flourish.

We look forward to sharing this vibrant term with you all.

Daniel Clayden
Head Teacher

DAILY THINGS TO REMEMBER

- Water Bottle
- Coat
- Reading book and diary

PE Days From April

Reception - Monday

Year 1 - Thursday

Year 2 - Thursday

Year 3 - Wednesday

Year 4 - Friday

Year 5 - Friday

Year 6 - Friday



INSET Day

Friday 8th May
School closed.

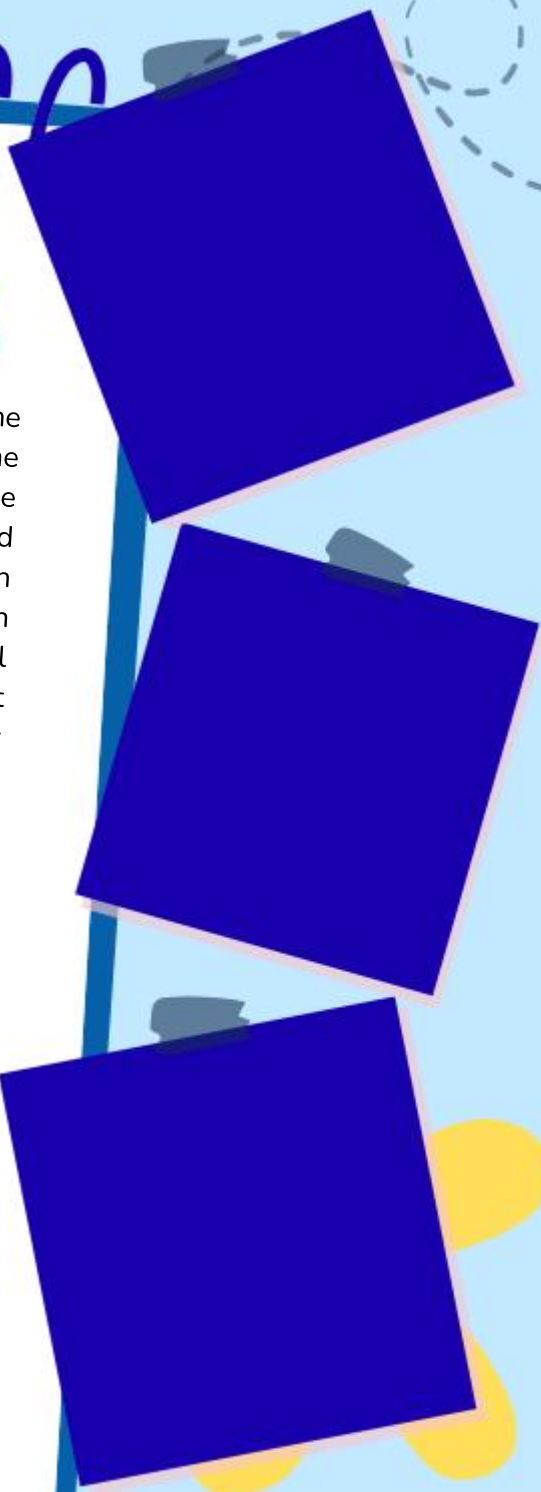


JELLYFISH



A+ JELLYFISH NEWS

We've had a wonderful start back after the Easter break, and the children have settled into school life brilliantly. In Literacy, the children are enjoying our new text, the Cornish tale Jack and the Giant. They have been exploring the story structure and characters and are now beginning to plan and write their own versions of the tale. In Maths, we have started our unit on fractions. This week, the children have been identifying equal groups and learning how to find a half. They have shown great curiosity and growing confidence as they explore these new concepts. In Geography, we have begun learning about Australia. The children have been locating it on a world map and discussing how it is similar to and different from the UK. Their questions and observations have sparked some brilliant discussions. In Art, we have been studying the work of artist Ranti Bam, focusing on her use of clay and textured surfaces. Later this term, the children will be creating their own clay tiles inspired by her techniques. We ended the week on a real high, joining the whole school to sing at the Food Festival. The children have loved learning Cornwall My Home over the last half term, and it was wonderful to see them perform with such pride.



NARWHALS



A+ NARWHAL NEWS

'This term we have started learning about volcanoes in our Geography lessons and our topic has really captured imaginations! Children have explored how volcanoes affect people's lives, discovered famous volcanoes from around the world, and even wrote from the perspective of someone experiencing an eruption. It's been wonderful to see their enthusiasm and curiosity.'

In French, the children have been having lots of fun learning how to identify and talk about their family members. This term, we will also be beginning to recognise and spell simple words using the French alphabet, building confidence step by step. Alongside this, pupils will learn key vocabulary for everyday household items, all through games and engaging activities that make language learning enjoyable.

In PSHE, our focus has been on British Values, helping children understand democracy, rules and laws, and why freedom and respect are so important. The children also spent time reflecting on what they value in their own lives, sharing thoughtful ideas that showed a lovely sense of gratitude for their family, friends, and school community.

In RE, pupils explored what Christians learn from the Creation story and how it fits into the wider 'big story' of the Bible. They discussed important themes such as caring for the world, responsibility, and Christian beliefs about God as a creator. This led to some excellent conversations, with children listening respectfully to one another and sharing their ideas with great thoughtfulness.'



DOLPHINS



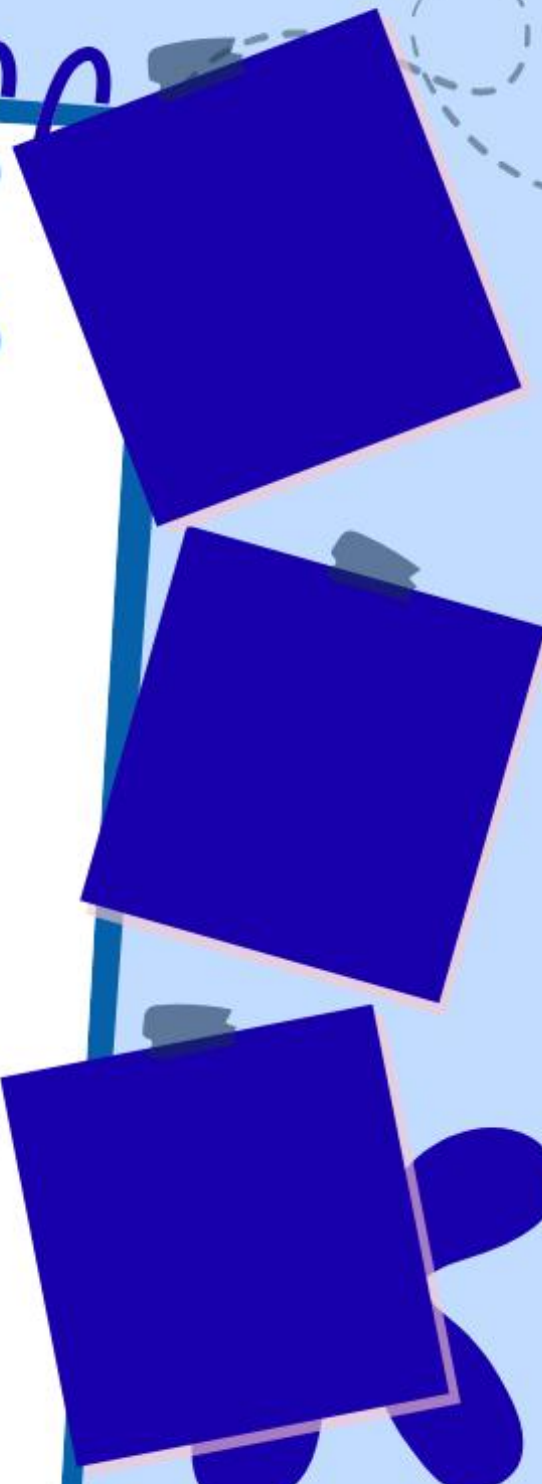
A⁺ DOLPHINS NEWS

We've had a fantastic start to the term in Year 6, and the children have already thrown themselves into their learning with great enthusiasm.

We've begun the term by exploring play scripts, using the opening scenes of *The Hobbit* as our inspiration. The children are already busy drafting their own script about a mysterious gathering, and we're excited to see how their ideas develop.

In geography, we are learning about National Parks and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty: where they are, what makes them special, and why they are protected. This links beautifully to our Isles of Scilly residential later in the year, helping the children build a deeper understanding of the landscapes they'll soon experience firsthand.

We are also launching our *Dragons' Den* project. Our sponsor, Mrs F, has kindly provided a small investment for each group to develop a product for our Innovation Fair. The children will be working on design, budgeting, marketing, and teamwork. More information will be shared at the end of this half term.



Porthleven Notices & Reminders

Penrose Team

For winning last half term Penrose team (red team) are welcome to come to school in non uniform on **Thursday 7th May**.

Running Club

Mrs Trounson will be starting a running club at lunch time on Tuesday 5th May then going forward this will be on a Thursday each week. Children are welcome to wear their PE kit to school to take part each week.

Bags2School

We have a date for your diary for the next Bags2School collection, this will be on Monday 15th June.

They take quality items for RE-USE:

Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.

Please see the full list here - <https://bag2school.com/what-we-collect>

The school will get 30 pence per kilo.

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 Notices & Reminders

Warm Weather

With the warm weather, please ensure your child has sun cream applied before school each morning. A named bottle of sun cream can also be given to the class teacher so it can be reapplied at lunchtime if needed.

Please also ensure your child brings a water bottle to school each day

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.



Parent Survey

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 – Fill in form](#)

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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.



Lego Team

The Porthleven Lego Team, The ArchaeLEGOgists, would like to say a huge THANK YOU to everyone for your incredibly generous support in helping get the team to Harrogate.

It was a long weekend, but the team were incredible throughout — working so hard, talking confidently with other teams, and showcasing their skills and project work to the judges with enthusiasm and professionalism.

We would also like to give a very special thank you to all of our sponsors. Without your generosity and support, this amazing opportunity would not have been possible:



- Chillflow Solutions
- Pengelly's of Porthleven
- Mounts Bay Holidays
- Harbour & Dock Company
 - Porthia
 - Chartwells
- Porthleven Town Council
 - Tesco Helston
 - Derek Lane & Co
 - Cormac



And everyone that donated on JustGiving

We are so proud of everything the team achieved and so grateful to everyone who supported us along the way. Thank you for being part of the journey!



OUR
SPORT'S
DAYS ARE

KS1 & EYFS THURS 11TH JUNE

KS2 FRI 12TH JUNE

REMEMBER YOUR

HAT

PE KIT

WATER BOTTLE



PORTHLEVEN HOUSE POINTS RUNNING TOTALS



WELL DONE TO THIS WEEKS WINNERS – Gibson

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Reception	92.9
Year 1	96.5
Year 2	95.2
Year 3	96
Year 4	98.7
Year 5	90
Year 6	97

This weeks winning
class for attendance
is
(Year 4)
Swordfish

This weeks whole school attendance is 96.57%

Awards & Achievements Outside of School



Last weekend Elodie received her IDTA dance results for Ballet and Tap she completed in March. She received a merit for both dances and she then moves up to Grade 1 Ballet and Tap in September. Well done Elodie



Diary Dates

Date	Event
Monday 4th May	Bank Holiday
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
Thursday 11th June	KS1 & EYFS Sports Day AM
Friday 12th June	KS2 Sports day all day
Wednesday 17th—19th June	Year 4 School Camp
Wednesday 24th June	Class Photos
Thursday 25th—26th June	Year 3 School Camp
Monday 29th June	Year 1 trip
Tuesday 30th June	KS2 Sports Day reserve day
Friday 3rd July	KS1 & EYFS Reserve Sports day
Monday 13th –17th July	Year 6 School Camp
Wednesday 22nd July	Last day of Term
Thursday 23rd July	INSET Day



MHST

NHS
Cornwall Partnership
NHS Foundation Trust

RESILIENCE

Bounce Back, Stay Strong!

- ✓ *Overcome Challenges*
- ✓ *Adapt & Grow*
- ✓ *Keep Moving Forward*

**Tuesday 12 May 2026
10.30am or 12pm**

To request a place, fill out the online form or scan the QR code: To request a place, fill out the online form or scan the QR code:

<https://forms.office.com/e/sQk8MJDOmJ>





MHST Managing Worries

TIPS AND SUPPORT WITH MANAGING YOUR CHILD'S WORRIES



Take Deep Breaths



Write it Down



Talk to Someone



Do Something You Enjoy

To request a place, fill out the online form or scan the QR code: To request a place, fill out the online form or scan the QR code:
<https://forms.office.com/e/SiqzWJJAdP>

Tuesday 12
May 2026
9.30am or
1.30pm



NHS
Cornwall Partnership
NHS Foundation Trust

MHST SLEEP

Rest, Recharge, Reset!



Get Plenty of rest



Feel better & think clearly



Boost your health

Monday 11 May 2026
9.30am or 1.30pm

To request a place, fill out the online form or scan the QR code: To request a place, fill out the online form or scan the QR code:

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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! NutriMinder's Choice
Our menus are subject to change. Please be assured that all nutritional 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
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	Chocolate Caramel Crunch	Flapjack	Chocolate Brownie	Apple and Golden Syrup Sponge with Custard	Chocolate Cookie	



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Fresh fruit, salad, yoghurt and water

Vegetarian Vegan Oily Fish Wholegrain Fruity! NutriMinder's Choice
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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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	OPTION 5	Egg Mayonnaise Sandwich	Ham Sandwich	Cheese Sandwich	Tuna Mayonnaise Sandwich	Cheese Sandwich
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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Looking After Your WELLBEING ONLINE

We all know that taking care of our minds and bodies is essential to keep us feeling happy and healthy. The thing is, we spend so much of our time online these days that it's also important that we remember to look after ourselves in the digital world, too. Our poster has got some simple but useful tips for supporting your wellbeing while you're gaming, on social media or just using the internet.



TAKE CARE
WHAT YOU
SHARE



CHECK YOUR
PRIVACY
SETTINGS



AVOID
COMPARING
YOURSELF TO
OTHERS



TRACK YOUR
SCREEN TIME



TAKE
BREAKS



REPORT
INAPPROPRIATE
CONTENT



PAUSE
BEFORE
YOU POST



BLOCK
BULLIES



SPEAK UP AGAINST
HARMFUL BEHAVIOUR



STAY
ACTIVE
OFFLINE



BE KIND &
BE CAREFUL



National
Online
Safety®
#WakeUpWednesday



GO TECH FREE
BEFORE BED



LOOK FOR POSITIVE COMMUNITIES

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.