

Dear Parents

Next Friday, we will be having an outdoor and indoor creative day. I have planned for the children to have some Forest School activities, dance (with me!), and singing; rotating through the activities class by class. The only exception is Yr 6 who will be with Mr Kitto in their final SATs prep. (Following SATs, Yr 6 will have their own celebration and decide what they would like to do.)

After half term, every Monday morning will start with Forest School style activities. We are thinking of calling this 'Mellow Monday Morning'. It is hoped that by starting with the outdoors, being in nature, participating in creative or physical activities, it will become something to really look forward to and reduce Monday morning anxiety. There will be no formal writing in textbooks but rather lots of photographs to capture their experiences and learning.



Please can you help us by ensuring that your child has suitable all-weather clothing; wellies and long raincoats would be ideal and if the forecast is hot, suncream and sunhats will be essential. If you have any unwanted clothing that someone else could benefit from, please do bring it in. *All the best, Mrs May*



## Bank Holiday, Half Term & INSET Days

Just a reminder that school will be closed on Monday 5th May as it is a bank holiday. We will also be closed for an INSET day on Thursday 8th May which is Flora Day. We finish on Friday 23rd May for half term, the children will return to school on Tuesday 3rd June as Monday 2nd June is an INSET day.



**VE Day** - We will be celebrating VE day on Tuesday 6th May, children will be invited to wear red, white or blue or to dress up in VE related clothing i.e. as an evacuee, land girl, soldier etc. Some lessons will be based around VE day and Mrs May will do a VE Day assembly at the end of the day for the children.



## All Weather Gear

Please ensure the children have suncream and a sunhat if it's likely to be sunny, and wet weather gear if it's likely to be raining. Please label any suncream sent to school with your child's name.

**Toddler Group** - More details to follow.

**Multi-skills** - Trafford is running a Multi-Skills club, this runs on Tuesdays from 3:15pm - 4:15pm. Initially this will be for the infants for YrR, Yr1 and Yr2. After SATs the club will be offered to the juniors and the infants will be offered a sports club with Mrs May.

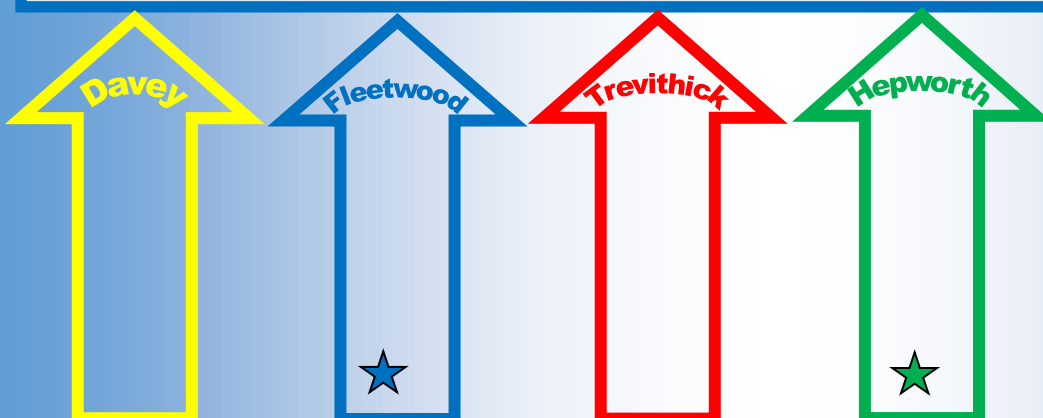
**Praa Sands Swimming** - Children in Praa Sands class had their first swimming session today, they will swim until Friday 23rd May inclusive. The swimming contribution will be £20 per child which can be paid via ParentPay.

**Sailing** - The children's sailing trust have invited the children to attend 5 sailing sessions in the summer term. The sessions will take place on June 4th, 18th, 25th and July 2nd & 9th. It will cost £32.40 per child with concessions for children on FSM. Initially the sessions will be offered to children in Godrevy class but if there are spare places Yr4 pupils will be offered these. Letters regarding this will be sent home next week.



**Wrap Around Care Invoices** - Invoices for Mar/Apr 2025 will be uploaded to ParentPay very soon. In the meantime, if you have used Wrap Around Care in the Autumn or spring terms please ensure you have paid for those sessions already invoiced. Thank you!

**Health & Safety** - After swimming please give way to the minibus if it arrives back to school near home time, it can be quite difficult to reverse it when cars are overtaking at the same time. Thank you!



## A reminder of the school times

8am - Early Bird

8:30 - Wake & Shake

8:30 Children can arrive and wait in the playground with their parents.

8:40 - Doors open

8:45 - Registration

15:15 - End of the day

15:15—17:00 Kids Club



*Hepworth were this week's House Point Winners, well done!*

**Swimming** - The requested contribution towards swimming is £25 for Godrevy and Portreath classes and £20 for Praa Sands class. This can be paid via ParentPay. We would be grateful if contributions could be paid as soon as possible for all classes. While swimming is a statutory part of the curriculum there is no government funding to support this, and we are not permitted to use our PE funding for whole class swimming lessons. Therefore, heavily subsidising lessons out of the school budget takes away from the resources we are able to provide across the curriculum and the support we can give to the children, which is why we depend on parental contributions. If you are able to support us with this, it is very much appreciated.

#### A Visit from the RNLI

The RNLI visited the school on Wednesday to speak to KS2 children about safety on the beach and in the sea. They learnt about the role of the lifeguard, the different flags and what they mean, times that the beaches might be manned with lifeguards and how to get out of a 'rip tide'. Years ago there were no lifeguards on the beach, only the lifeboats.



*This week's certificates go to...*

*Elodie ~ Learner of the week for producing super diary entries and working hard on her handwriting.*

*Seth ~ Citizen of the week for always showing warmth and kindness to the younger children*

*Alaska ~ Learner of the week for producing fantastic pieces of work, sharing his ideas and being a great friend.*

*Edward in Portreath ~ Citizen of the week for always setting a great example, in everything he does.*

*Jimmy in Praa Sands ~ Learner of the week for always being ready to learn and fantastic writing - keep up the good work!*

*Fergus in Praa Sands ~ Citizen of the week for showing great care and kindness to his friends - keep it up!*



**Attendance**

Whole school to date: 94%

This week

**Praa Sands Class ~ 96.1%**

Portreath Class ~ 95.7%

Godrevy Class ~ 94.2%



**Mrs May will be in school on..**

Tuesday 6th May - pm

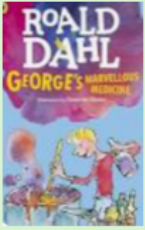
Friday 9th May - from 10:45am



## Summer 1

### Marvellous Medicine

George's Marvellous Medicine by Roald Dahl



A favourite from the popular children's author Roald Dahl, this chapter book, is full of anarchic humour with a little bit of unexplained magic.

This book will enable children to think in detail about the way in-depth characterisation is achieved by precise description as well as by showing rather than telling. It models huge creativity with alliteration, onomatopoeia, simile and metaphor.

### Trannack Reading Spine

Portreath class are reading 'George's Marvellous Medicine' by Roald Dahl as the fiction text from their reading spine for this half term.

### Amazing Fun Facts for Children There Are More Stars in the Universe Than Grains of Sand on Earth -

Look up at the night sky and try to imagine counting all the stars. It's impossible! Scientists estimate there are about 10 billion galaxies in the observable universe, each with about 100 billion stars. That's way more than all the grains of sand on all the beaches in the world

### Quotes by famous people...

**J.K. Rowling:** "If you don't like to read, you haven't found the right book."

### Fun Facts about Books

In a Portuguese library apart from the usual cleaners that keep the library clean, they have another cleaning crew that keeps the population of **book-eating insects** at bay—A colony of Common pipistrelle bats makes their home behind the bookshelves of the university's library. They hide behind the old bookcases and emerge at night to consume flies, gnats and other pests. This unusual pest control squad helps keep the beautiful 300-year-old building safe from natural damage. Don't fret; bats don't bother humans.

### Reading Karate

Well done Penny! ~ BLACK ~  
Portreath

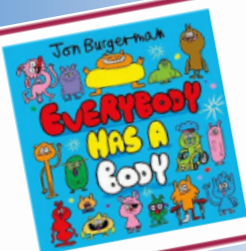
Edward ~ Brown ~ Portreath

Ayden ~ Yellow ~ Portreath

Ellie - Green - Praa Sands



Recommended for ages 3-5



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**Everybody has a body!**  
Jon Burgerman

Storytime & draw-along  
Read by Jon Burgerman

### Storytime Online

Scan the QR code and the link will take you to a video of the story being read aloud. Click on this link: <https://www.booksfortopics.com/resources/storytime-online/> to see more books for all ages on this website.



*Diary Dates*

*Praa Sands swimming ~ Fri 02/05/25 to Fri  
23/05/25 inc. (4 sessions)*

*INSET Day ~ Thur 08/05/25*

*Outdoor Day - Fri 09/05/25*

*Half term ~ 26/05/25 ~ 30/05/25*

*INSET Day ~ 02/06/25*

*Sailing for Yr5/6 ~ 04/06/25 (5 sessions)*

*More info to follow*

*Residential (Bristol & Bath) Yr5/6 ~ Mon 09/06/25  
- Weds 11/06/25*

*Yr6 transition to Helston ~ Tue 01/07/25 9am  
- 3pm and New parents' eve Helston 6pm*

*Yr6 transition to Helston ~ Wed 02/07/25*

*9am - 3pm*

*New parents' eve Helston 6pm*

*Yr6 transition to Mullion ~ Wed 02/07/25*

*8:40am - 3:15pm*

*Rocksteady concert for parents ~ Tue 22/07/25  
~ 9am*

*Last day of term 22/07/25*