



Weekly Newsletter

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Monday 13th May 2024

Dear parents and carers,

Wasn't it wonderful to see the sunshine this weekend, I do hope that you were able to get outside and make the most of the weather.

Year 6 SATS

This week is SATS week for our Y6 children. At this time of year, as teachers we find ourselves reflecting on the first time that we met our Y6 pupils, most of them only 4 or 5 years old. We've watched them grow; watched them learn how to play together; how to speak and listen to one another; share; take-turns; become more independent; develop their resilience and perseverance. We've watched them learn to understand others and understand themselves. We've had the immense pleasure of being part of their learning journey and we are SO proud of them. This week sees them face the first of many formal assessments. This week's assessments will measure how much academic progress they have made since KS1 and help inform their secondary schools of their academic attainment. They have studied hard for these tests and are more than ready for them. Children, we are right with you every step of the way, but remember your SATs cannot judge empathy, kindness, compassion, or mark you for the person that you have become.

You are **fabulous** and we are very proud of you all.

Free School Meals

As you may know, part of the school funding formula is based upon the number of children eligible for free school meals. It can be confusing because all children in Classes 1 and 2 get free meals anyway, but if you fit the criteria below, school receives an extra £1480 per pupil if you apply. This funding is incredibly valuable to school, and allows us to employ support staff to meet the needs of your children. If you think your child might be eligible please pop n and see Mrs McGannity or apply online. Thank you, this money really does make the world of difference to school. <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

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- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Children who get paid these benefits directly, instead of through a parent or guardian, can also get free school meals.

Your child may also get free school meals if you get any of these benefits and your child is both:

- younger than the [compulsory age for starting school](#)
- in full-time education

Parental Feedback:

Thank you to those parents who have managed to complete this feedback, if you have not yet had a moment to share your thoughts and feelings regarding your child's provision and experience here at school I would urge you to do so. This feedback will be shared with Governors and staff and will inform the school development plan for next year. If you cannot access this

Google form, please pop in and collect a paper copy from Mrs McGannity. Thank you for your help

<https://forms.gle/vEkjd1S56PXejESP8>

Headlice

We have had a few families let us know that their children have had these unwelcome visitors over the past week. Please can parents check their children's hair for headlice and nits (eggs) on a regular basis, use the fine-toothed nit comb method as required (unfortunately anti headlice shampoos are very ineffective) and keep long hair for all children tied back each day. Thank you for your support with this.

After School Club

Please click on the link below for an update from our fantastic after school club.

[Mylor After School Club Newsletter \(cloud.microsoft\)](#)

Have a wonderful week.

Vicky Sanderson

Dates for your diaries

13 – 17.5.24 Y6 SATS Week – all Y6 children to be in school.

22.5.24 – Class Photos

23.5.24 – Class 2 bun bake

23.5.24 – Maypole Dancing school playground, tbc

24.5.24 – INSET Day, school closed.

27.5.24 – 31.5.24 – Half Term

3.6.24 – INSET Day, school closed.

4.6.24 – 7.6.24 – Y4 Multiplication Check

4.6.24 – Year 4 Sailing

11.6.24 – KS 1 Mary Anning visiting

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11.6.24 – Y4 Sailing
12.6.24 - 14.6.24 BF Adventure Years 3 & 4
18.6.24 – Y4 sailing
19.6.24 – Y6 to Flambards #
21.6.24 – Y5/6 Hall for Cornwall, Windrush 1976
25.6.24 – Y4 Sailing
26.6.24 - 28.6.24 PGL Barton Hall Years 5 & 6
1.7.24 – Onjali Rauf (Author) visiting school
2.7.24 – Y4 Sailing
4.7.24 – Sports Day KS 1 am / KS 2 pm (details to follow)
11.7.24 – Y6 Phil Earla (Author) visit
12.7.24 – Y5/6 surf day
2.7.24 – Class 4 sailing
23.7.24 – Last day of school year – Leaver's Assembly
24.7.24 – INSET Day, school closed

INSET Dates for 2024-2025

3rd September 2024

4th September 2024

25th October 2024

2nd June 2025

23rd July 2025

Standing Items

Please Park considerately

We know that getting children to school on time can sometimes be stressful, but we have been approached by several local residents who are concerned by the parking before and after school.

Please can I request that parents park with due care and consideration for our neighbours and through traffic. *Also, can I remind you that the zigzag area at the front of school is not to be parked on, including blue badge holders or with engine running while children exit cars.*

Holidays in Term Time

Our policy in school is to NOT agree holidays in term time unless there are very exceptional circumstances. It is also our policy to refer the non-attendance to Cornwall Council.

If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £60 if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may result in legal action. Absence not authorised by the school may result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court

More information can be found at <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schools-and-education/education-welfare>
<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schools-and-education/education-welfare-service/service/#holidays>

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