

MOUSEHOLE NEWS

Friday 6th December 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

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We have had a very busy week with an abundance of creativity, singing and visits to St Pol Du Leon Church as part of RE learning about Christianity and the story of Christmas.

On Monday the Krew Kernewek team and Ms Williams welcomed Nia Robertson for Go Cornish to share what Cornish we had been implementing in school. She was very impressed and we have managed to achieve for more of the module stickers. Great work to you all for your hard work!

The children had a wonderful experience at the church thanks the members of the church community who organised and set up engaging, interactive and thought provoking activities regarding Christmas. A special mention to Liz Garner (Governor) and Mrs St Pierre for ensuring this event took place. The children were beautifully behaved and thrilled with their Christmas decorations.

On Wednesday Schooner had the privilege of working alongside the artist Billy Wynter to create lanterns using withies, paper and lights for the Humphry Day Lantern Parade on Friday 13th December at 5pm starting at St Johns Hall. He was impressed with the competency of the children's skills, their engagement and behaviour. The lanterns are looking fantastic and it would be lovely if you could join the parade to support us. Thank you to Billy for providing this wonderful opportunity for our children.

We have lots of Christmas events happening over the next couple of weeks so please remember to look at the calendar on the newsletters, website or Seesaw. A big thank you to Mole Valley for our lovely tree and all the decorations that the children have bought in to hang on it.

Please come along to our school Christmas Fair starting at 2.30pm on Monday 9th December. If you are able to donate any Christmas cakes, biscuits or mince pies or raffle prizes they would be greatly appreciated. Please look at the poster for more information.

On Thursday 12th December it is Christmas Jumper Day raising money for Save the Children. We ask the children to bring in a donation to support this valuable charity.

Also on this day we are having the Christmas Instrumental assembly at 9.30am with the children music and we would like to welcome you along if your child plays the keyboard, violin, guitar or a brass instrument.

Sadly, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Dove at the end of the term as she moves on to expand her yoga career. We shall miss her greatly as she has been a valued member of staff for many years at Mousehole School. We wish her all the best for her future endeavours.

Please do not leave your children unattended before 8.30am or until a member of staff is on the playground.

I hope you manage to have a restful weekend and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday at the Christmas Fair at 2.30pm.

Best wishes

Sarah Trow

Stars of the week

Skiff Class	- Bunny -Kit	- For being helpful, kind and caring to others. -For his fantastic phonics and always being engaged and eager in his learning. Keep it up Kit!
Lugger Class	- Ruby - Mason	- For making brilliant progress this term in how she approaches her learning and in her focus and determination to do her best. Exceptionally hard working in every lesson over the past 2 weeks. -For showing curiosity and asking interesting questions in lessons. Also giving 100% in our maths assessments this week.
Schooner Class	-Ava	- Wow! Well done Ava. I have been so impressed with your consistently positive attitude to all your learning. Your helpful and enthusiastic approach to life at Mousehole is infectious and brightens up all our days in Schooner Class.

Marvellous Mouse Of The Week



Alma

Her wonderful imagination.
Entertaining us all with her incredible stories. Well done Alma.





WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:
 96.18%
 SKIFF-96.57 %
 LUGGER- 96.47%
 SCHOONER -94.59 %

HOUSE POINTS:



PORTHCHAPEL: 106

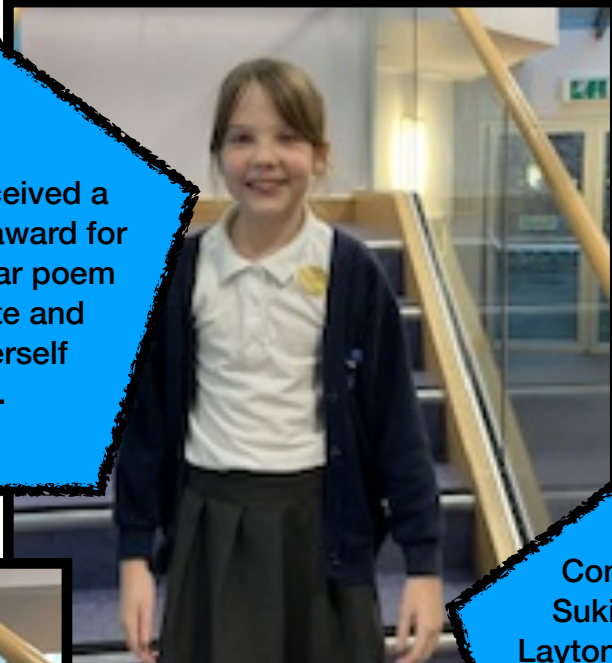
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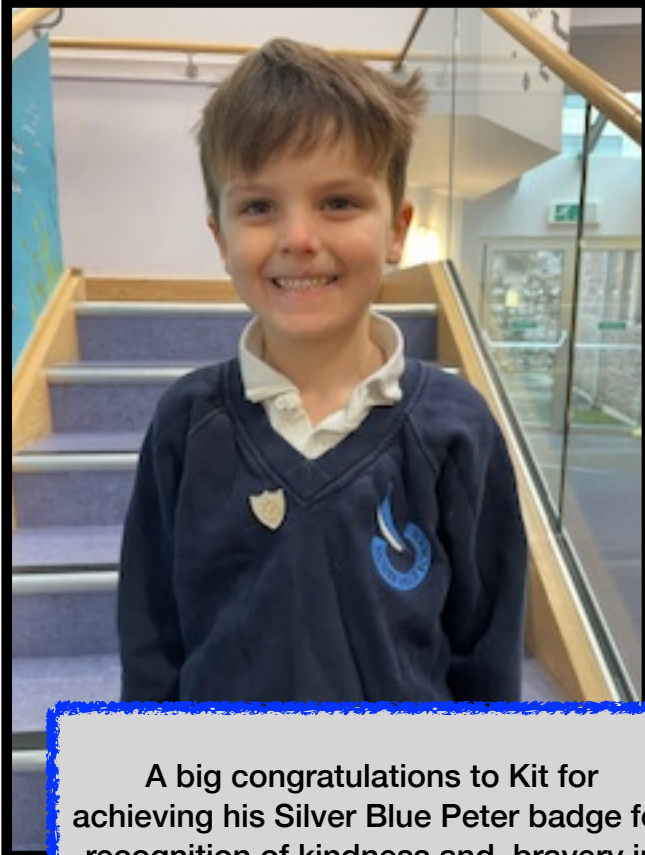
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Evangeline received a head teachers award for her amazing war poem that she wrote and recorded herself reciting.

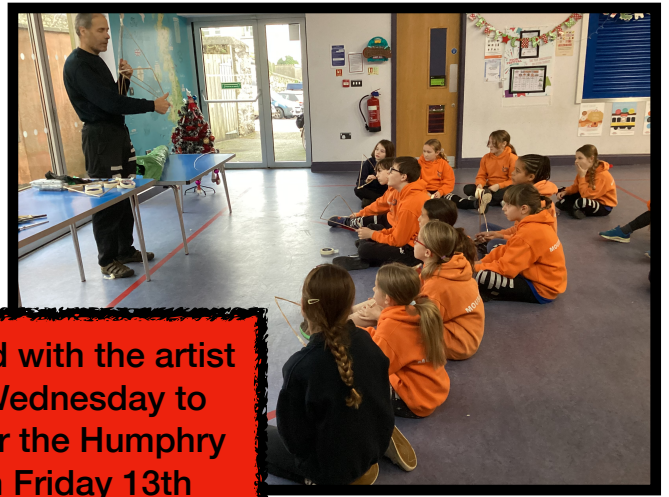


Congratulations to Suki, Arlo, Uma and Layton for their beautiful flash back writing and war poems. Superb use of language and punctuation.



A big congratulations to Kit for achieving his Silver Blue Peter badge for recognition of kindness and bravery in his trialling of peanut allergies to support other children. What an amazing achievement Kit-well done!





Schooners worked with the artist Billy Winter on Wednesday to create lanterns for the Humphry Davy parade on Friday 13th December at 5pm. He was very impressed with their skills, engagement and behaviour. We look forward to seeing them as we parade in the dark!



Cornish word of the week!
“Nadelik”
meaning- Christmas



The choir went up to the Paul Village Hall and sang beautifully to the community and were kindly given a gift for their hard work. Thank you to Ms Judge and Miss Hook for taking them.





DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 9th December School Christmas Fair- 2.30-4.30pm

Thursday 12th December 2024 Save the Children Christmas Jumper day

Thursday 12th December 2024 Christmas Instrumental Assembly-9.30am

Friday 13th December 2024 Luggar Penlee House trip

Friday 13th December 2024 Schooner in the Humphry Davy Lantern Parade 5pm in Penzance

Tuesday 17th December 2024 Christmas Concert 6pm

Wed 18th December 2024 Whole School Christmas Dinner

Friday 20th December 2024- Penzance Cinema Trip 1-3pm

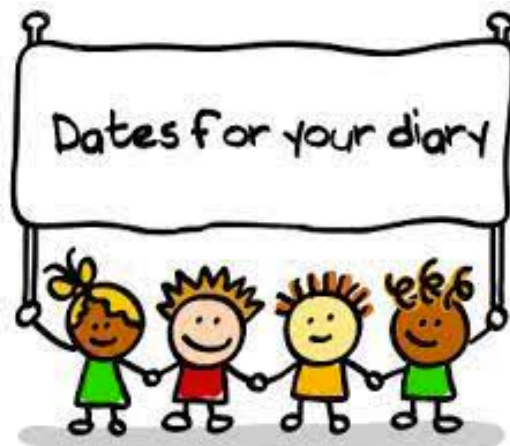
Friday 20th December 2024- Last day of Autumn Term

2024-2025 INSET Days:

Monday 21st July 2025

Tuesday 22nd July 2025

Wednesday 23rd July 2025



Friends of Mousehole School

Christmas Fair

Refreshments - Mince Pies, Hot Chocolate
& Marshmallows and Mulled Wine

Jolly Jam Jars

Raffle:

**MONDAY 9TH
DECEMBER**

Drawn at 4pm!

Beat the Santa Goalie!

2.30PM-4.30PM

Teddy Tombola

Face Painting

IN THE SCHOOL HALL

Guessing Table

Christmas Trail

Lots of fun and games with
prizes to be won!!!

**Come along and help us all celebrate
the festive season with the school
community!**

Lucky Dip



All money raised will go to FROMS and the continued work they do with the school to offer our students wonderful opportunities.



Online Safety Newsletter

Dec 2024

Talkie AI App

This app is rated as 17+ by the App store and 12+ by Google Play.

Talkie is an AI chatbot app. Users can use the app to create and interact with AI characters.

You should also be aware that this app includes in app purchases ranging from £4.99 - £49.99.

Talkie does offer a Teenager Mode; however, the content still may not be appropriate for your child. Bark reviews this app here, and recommend that your child **should not be using this app:**

<https://www.bark.us/app-reviews/apps/talkie-app-review>

Tips to help you talk about cyberbullying

Internet Matters have collated their tips to help you talk about cyberbullying with your child based on different age categories. The information is divided into four sections:

1. Before you start the conversation
2. Things to talk to them about such as how to deal with cyberbullying
3. What to do next
4. Where to get further help

<https://www.internetmatters.org/issues/cyberbullying/cyberbullying-conversation-starter-guide>

New Technology

With Christmas nearly here and with some children receiving new technology or related games, here is a quick reminder of the importance of setting up appropriate parental controls.

Games/Consoles

- Check age ratings: look at the PEGI rating of any new games.
- *Remember, PEGI rates the gameplay so whilst it is important to review age ratings, you must also check to see if it has any communication elements.*
- If a game does allow your child to communicate with others, then adjust or disable the settings as appropriate to your child.
- On the device itself, set up applicable controls such as restricting spending limits and managing who they can communicate with. Follow the links below to find out how to set up Parental Controls for some devices here:

Xbox: <https://www.xbox.com/en-GB/family-hub>

PS5: <https://www.playstation.com/en-gb/support/account/ps5-parental-controls-spending-limits/>

Nintendo Switch: <https://www.nintendo.co.uk/Hardware/Nintendo-Switch-Parental-Controls/Nintendo-Switch-Parental-Controls-1183145.html>

Tablets/Smart phones

Set up parental controls on the device to prevent purchases, restrict content viewed and adjust privacy settings. Furthermore, remember to check any apps your child requests to check that they are suitable for their age. Follow the links below to find out more:

iPhones/iPad: <https://support.apple.com/en-gb/105121>

Android Device: <https://support.google.com/googleplay/answer/1075738>

Why is it important?

Parental controls are important to help provide a safer experience for your child by reducing/preventing access to inappropriate content, cyberbullying, communication with strangers and restricting purchases.

Further information

You can find out more about parental controls here:

<https://www.childnet.com/help-and-advice/parental-controls/>



Roblox

You may have seen the recent investigation about Roblox by Hindenburg, which highlights very worrying concerns about the content that can be seen on Roblox, even when users have listed their age as under 13. You can read the full report here: <https://hindenburgresearch.com/roblox/>

What is Roblox?

Roblox is a platform consisting of a collection of games. Players can either create games or play games that other users have created. It is free to download (however subscription options and in game/app purchases are available) and can be played across numerous devices. **A lot of the content is user generated, which may mean not all games will be suitable for your child to view/play.** If your child is playing Roblox, it is important to monitor what your child is accessing and set up appropriate parental controls.

PEGI rate Roblox with a Parental Guidance label, this is because it is difficult to rate due to the huge level of user generated content.

What should I be aware of?

Game content – as mentioned, users create games so the content/themes may not be appropriate for your child.

Chat Facility - Players can chat to each other. You can turn communication off completely or add restrictions, such as only communicate with friends.

Virtual Currency - Players can buy Robux (their virtual currency) to buy in-game upgrades or accessories.

Age Categories

This article discusses the difference in accounts based on age (under age 13 and aged 13 – 17): <https://en.help.roblox.com/hc/en-us/articles/30428367965460-What-happens-as-I-get-older-on-Roblox>

Roblox accounts with Parental privileges - NEW

Roblox have just launched a new system to manage your child's experience on Roblox through 'Roblox accounts with parent privileges.' The new format allows you to view and update parental controls from your own device. Controls include setting content restrictions, managing screen time and setting a spending limit. You can find out more here:

<https://en.help.roblox.com/hc/en-us/articles/30428248050068-Parental-Controls-FAQ>

Content Labels - NEW

Roblox have begun labeling experiences based on the type of content rather than by age. You can set limits on which content labels are accessible in parental controls. The labels are Minimal, Mild, Moderate and Restricted. You can find descriptions of each here:

<https://en.help.roblox.com/hc/en-us/articles/30428310121620-Parental-Controls-Overview>

How do I report abuse and block users?

This article outlines the different reporting facilities: <https://en.help.roblox.com/hc/en-us/articles/203312410-How-to-Report-Rule-Violations>

What else can I do?

Chat to your child regularly about what they are doing online and as always, remind your child that if anything is worrying them then they should talk to you or another trusted adult.

Positively online

The NSPCC have published six tips to help you improve your family's online wellbeing. They also provide you with a guide on how to talk to your child about what they are doing online as well as a quiz that you can play together. You can find our more here:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-wellbeing/positively-online/>

The 'Add Everyone' Explicit WhatsApp Group

The INEQE Safeguarding group have issued an alert regarding a WhatsApp group known as 'Add Everyone.' Find out more here:

<https://ineqe.com/2024/10/31/safeguarding-alert-add-everyone-whatsapp-group/>



**FRIDAY 13TH DECEMBER 2024
HUMPHRY DAVY LANTERN PARADE**

We're thrilled to invite everyone to this year's Humphry Davy Lantern Parade, it's going to be bigger, brighter, and more exciting than ever!

A huge thanks to all the kids who crafted lanterns with our artists; they loved working with you!

Join the fun in Penzance as we light up the night! Bring your lanterns to St. John's Hall at 5:00 pm, and get ready to step off at 5:15 pm.

The parade will wind through Market Jew Street right to the bottom, then back to Humphry Davy statue, where we'll raise our voices for a lively "Happy Birthday," before heading down Chapel Street to finish at the Methodist Chapel.

The Christmas lights will be shining, street entertainers will be out, and the whole town will be buzzing. Don't miss out on this magical evening - we can't wait to see you there!

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 **PENZANCE COUNCIL**

Going Green

Christmas in Penzance

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**Sat 30th Nov
5.15pm**

CHRISTMAS LIGHT SWITCH ON

Christmas Carols piped across the town & snow machines

1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd Dec
Sunday opening in the lead up to Christmas

**Fri 13th Dec
5.15pm**

HUMPHRY DAVY LANTERN PARADE

Our biggest parade yet with more schools than ever

**Sat 14th Dec & Sat 21st Dec
10am - 5pm**

CHRISTMAS MARKET

St John's Hall
Christmas Carols piped across the town

Fri 13th & 20th Dec
Late night shopping until 8pm

**Sat 21st Dec
5.00pm**

MONTOL

Christmas Carols piped across the town & snow machines

FREE PARKING EVERY SATURDAY IN ALL PENZANCE CAR PARKS LEADING UP TO CHRISTMAS

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TAKE YOUR CHILD'S IMAGINATION ON A FOOD JOURNEY WITH ASPENS

Aspens has been chosen to provide the meal service at your child's school. Take a look below for a glimpse at a typical menu...

Knowing Where Your Food Comes From

We take our responsibility of catering for today's children and young adults seriously. All of our dishes are prepared every day using quality, fresh and seasonal ingredients that are responsibly sourced. Our supply chain is traceable, so we can ensure the provenance of all produce.

Our dishes are created and served by experienced and enthusiastic staff. As well as ensuring the food on the plate is healthy, we want our customers to understand the importance of eating the right foods and help them with their food and nutrition journey.

WEEK 1

Our Great New Menu

	TRADITIONAL	Week 1
FOOD FESTIVAL LUNCHTIME		
Autumn Winter 29/9, 30/9, 14/10, 4/11, 25/11, 16/12, 6/1, 27/1	THE MAIN EVENT Margherita Slice and Wedges	MEAT-FREE MAGIC Veggie Dish Veggie Pepper and Sweetcorn Pizza Slice with Wedges
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
THURSDAY	FRIDAY	RAINBOW ALLEY Sweetcorn Apple Slaw and Wholegrain Rice Peas and Carrots Green Beans Baked Beans
BIG TOPPING Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	DESSERT TROLLEY Toffee Frozen Yogurt Sweet Potato Brownie Forest Fruits Jelly Pots Cookie Dough Apple Crumble Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo Jammy Thumbprint Biscuits	AVAILABLE DAILY FRESH SQUASH, PUMPKIN, CARROTS AND POTATO PASTA TWIST AVAILABLE EVERY DAY Topped Pasta Hot Pasta topped with Homemade Tomato Sauce and Cheese

FUN THEME DAYS

OUR FANTASTIC FOOD

We don't only create delicious favourite dishes from home and around the world, we make it fun!

We aim to make lunchtime the best time of the day and it definitely is when we hold one of our regular theme days! Planned to link in to the school calendar or seasonal healthy food initiatives, our staff may dress up and decorate the counter to serve something deliciously different on the menu - it's the stuff of great school food memories!



LUNCHTIME

TRADITIONAL

Week 1

Autumn Winter
2024-25:
2/9, 23/9, 14/10,
4/11, 25/11,
16/12, 6/1, 27/1

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

IT'S MEAL TIME!
THE MAIN EVENT

Margherita Pizza
Slice and Wedges

BBQ Cheesy Chicken

Roast Gammon,
Roast Potatoes
and Gravy

Lasagne

Golden Fish
Fingers or
Salmon Fingers
and Chips

MEAT-FREE MAGIC
Veggie Dish

Veggie Pepper and
Sweetcorn Pizza
Slice with Wedges

Butterbean
Ratatouille

Quorn Sausage,
Roast Potatoes
and Gravy

Vegetable Lasagne

Veggie Burger and
Chips

HIT THE RAINBOW
RAINBOW ALLEY
Vegetables and Salads

Sweetcorn

Apple Slaw and
Wholegrain
Rice

Peas and Carrots

Green Beans

Baked
Beans

BIG TOPPING
Filled Jackets

Beans,
Cheese or
Tuna Mayo

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DESSERT TROLLEY

Toffee Frozen
Yoghurt

Sweet Potato
Brownie

Forest Fruits
Jelly Pots

Cookie Dough
Apple
Crumble

Jammy
Thumbprint
Biscuits

DAILY SALAD BOWL,
FRESHLY BAKED BREAD,
YOGHURTS AND
CUT FRUIT
AVAILABLE DAILY

PASTA TWIRLER
AVAILABLE EVERY DAY

Topped Pasta
Hot Pasta
topped with
Homemade
Tomato Sauce
and Cheese