

# MOUSEHOLE NEWS



Friday 3rd October 2025

**Dear Parents and Carers,**

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We've had a productive week at school with the children working hard and demonstrating the value of respect for themselves and others. A big congratulations to Suki, Esme, Iona, Leonie and Uma for raising £300 pounds in their bake sale for the Medicins San Frontieres. They is an amazing achievement girls for a great cause. Well done to all of you!

## **Visit from Oli Adams**

We welcomed Oli Adams, a professional surfer who achieved British number 1 status, into school to complete the fun fitness circuits with the children. These activities were part of their sponsor forms to help raise money for school sports equipment. The children all participated with great enthusiasm — thank you to those who have already returned their forms. Oli also delivered an inspirational assembly, encouraging the children to follow their passions and dreams, never give up, and face challenges head-on. The children asked some fantastic questions, and Oli was very impressed with their behaviour, attitudes, and friendly welcome.

## **Harvest Donations**

Thank you for all your Harvest donations — these are greatly appreciated and will help support families in these difficult times.

## **Paul Feast Games – Wednesday 8th October Morning**

Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit for the Paul Feast Games. All the children will participate in their houses in a variety of team activities followed by a saffron bun.

## **Paul Feast Concert – Wednesday 8th October Evening**

We look forward to welcoming you to our Paul Feast concert where the children will sing the Paul Feast Calypso for you all to join in.

- Concert starts at 6:00pm
- Please drop children off at the Village Hall at 5:40pm
- All children are expected to attend as part of the team spirit and performance.

## **Parent Consultations**

Your child has brought home their parent consultation slips this week.

Please return them as soon as possible so we can arrange a time for you. Slots will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Meetings will run over two nights (except for Schooner class due to numbers). We'll do our best to coordinate sibling appointments.

## **Community Garden Session – Saturday 11th October**

Join us for our monthly Community Garden session:

- Date: Saturday 11th October
- Time: 11:00am – 2:00pm
- We look forward to welcoming new families to this lovely event.

## **Friends of Mousehole School**

We're looking to strengthen our Friends of Mousehole School group to support fundraising throughout the year. If you're interested in joining, please send a message via Seesaw.

We hope you have a restful weekend — and hopefully don't get blown away in the strong winds!

Mrs Trow and the Mousehole Team

# HOUSE POINTS:



**PORTHCHAPEL: 183**  
**GWYNVER: 154**  
**SENNEN: 221**  
**PRAA SANDS: 221**



**WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:**  
97.7%  
SKIFF-98.2%  
LUGGER- 97.2%  
SCHOONER- 98.2%

## Marvellous Mouse Of The Week



### Ziggy

For his amazing listening and following routines. Making good choices, doing the right thing! Well done Ziggy



# Stars of the week



Dinghy Class	- Pixie	-We are incredibly proud of this young lady for her determination and resilience in attempting all her learning and activities at school despite her injury. Pixie is truly inspirational in her attitude to her own and that of others experiences here in Dinghy Class. Such a caring and supportive friend. Thank you and Well done Pixie!
Skiff Class	- Sully	- For working hard to follow our classroom expectations and being a kind friend.
	-Rupert	-For working hard to follow our classroom expectations and managing his emotions well.
Lugger Class	- Luna J	- For her 100% focus and enthusiasm in questions and answer time. Also,for her brilliant use of conjunctions and rhyme in her poetry.
	-Hugo	- For being an excellent role model in lining up and settling straight in to complete his work. Also, his fabulous rhyming poem.
Schooner Class	- Suki	-Well done Suki. We have noticed your care and attention to detail in all your work this week; especially in your tests. Keep up the conscientious approach.
	-Mason	-Well done Mason. We have recognised your enthusiasm for learning and we're enjoying seeing you with your hand up or showing willingness to share ideas and thoughts.

# **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

## **2 week HALF TERM: Monday 21st October 31st October -2025**

W/C Monday 8th September 2025-Clubs start

**Wed 8th October Feast Concert 6pm St Pol Du Leon Church**

Wednesday 8th October - Paul Feast Activities in School-come in PE kits

Saturday 11th October- Community Garden sessions 11-2pm Please come along!

Sunday 12th October - Paul Feast Service St Pol Du Leon Church 11am

Monday 13th October-Skiff trip to the Minack

Thursday 18th October 2025-Nasal Flu

Tuesday 14th/Wed 15th/Thurs 16th October Parent Consultations 3.30pm-6pm

### **2 week half term 21st-31st October**

**Return to school Monday 3rd November**

Tuesday 4th -7th November 2025 Mousehole Mice parent meetings

Friday 7th November 2025-Nasal Flu

Saturday 8th November- Community Garden sessions 11-2pm Please come along!

Friday 14th November 2025- Children in Need-wearing spots!

Saturday 6th December- Community Garden sessions 11-2pm Please come along!

Thursday 11th December 2025 Save the Children Christmas Jumper day

Thursday 18th December 2025 Christmas Concert 6pm St Pol Du Leon Church

Whole School Christmas Dinner TBC

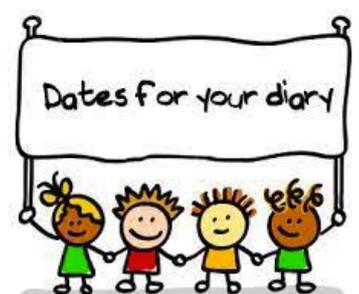
Friday 19th December Whole school cinema trip and last day of term

### **2025-2026 INSET Days:**

**Monday 20th and 21st October 2025**

**Monday 26th January 2026**

**Monday 1st June 2025**





# OLI ADAMS



How lucky are we? On Wednesday we had a visit from Pro Surfer Oli Adams to talk to us about keeping fit and having a “I can do it’ attitude believing in ourselves. The children across the school all had the opportunity to join in with some exercises helping to keep our bodies fit and healthy. At 12 years old Oli knew after his first time surfing that he wanted to become a professional surfer. Not everyone encouraged him but he never gave up on his dream and was eventually crowned English Open Champion! After becoming seriously ill, Oli was diagnosed with Crohn’s disease and was told by doctors that his surfing career was over. He refused to give up and was back surfing in just 3 months! Not only has Oli has inspired us all to protect our oceans but also that you can do anything if you believe in yourself, work hard and dream big! Thank you so much for coming in Oli and maybe we’ll see you out on the waves!



If anyone would like to watch more surfing films with their families made by Oli you can find them under “Reverse paradise films’ on YouTube.

## Time to Apply for School!



Application Deadlines:

- Secondary School - 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025
- Reception Class - 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026

If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022, you need to apply for a reception place or if your child is currently in Year 6 at primary school, you need to apply for your preferred secondary school.



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Academy Trust

## Coverstar

Coverstar say they are “the safe TikTok alternative.” They state, “there is no specific age limitation...however, if you are under the age of 13, you must obtain parental consent.” Users can post, comment and livestream.

Whilst Coverstar does not include private messaging, users can still interact via public comments. Coverstar does use moderation tools to scan all user-generated content. It is also important to be aware that Coverstar does allow in-app purchases ranging from £0.99 - £59.99.

If your child is using this app, ensure they know how to use the reporting tools. Bark provide a full review of Coverstar here, but they rate it as suitable for 10+:

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

## Test your knowledge: Online Scams

Childnet have created a quiz for 9-13 year-olds that includes a range of potential online scams, as well as tips to help your child protect themselves online. Find out more here:

<https://www.childnet.com/blog/test-your-knowledge-about-online-scams-with-our-quiz-for-9-13-year-olds/>

## Online Safety Act

### What is the Online Safety Act?

The Online Safety Act 2023 is a set of laws introduced to protect children and adults online. Ofcom is the regulator for online safety in the UK, responsible for ensuring companies follow the new rules. As part of this role, Ofcom have designed the Children Codes of practice, which came into force in July



2025. The codes outline what all online services likely to be accessed by children must do to protect children online, for example:

- Enforce age limits.
- Protect children from accessing harmful or age-inappropriate content. This includes content relating to self-harm and eating disorders.
- Ensure users can easily report harmful content.

Ofcom has the power to enforce the rules as well as issue fines if companies fail to comply. You can find out more here:

<https://www.ofcom.org.uk/online-safety/protecting-children/new-rules-for-a-safer-generation-of-children-online>

### How will it help to protect my child?

One of the main purposes of the Act is to protect children online. Ofcom has published information on how they are helping children to be safer online. The first link is a guide for parents, which also includes a section on what you can do as a parent. You can access this information here:

- <https://www.ofcom.org.uk/online-safety/protecting-children/how-ofcom-is-helping-children-to-be-safer-online-a-guide-for-parents>
- <https://www.ofcom.org.uk/online-safety/protecting-children/how-the-online-safety-act-will-help-to-protect-children>

### Further information

Online Safety Act: explainer:  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/online-safety-act-explainer/online-safety-act-explainer>

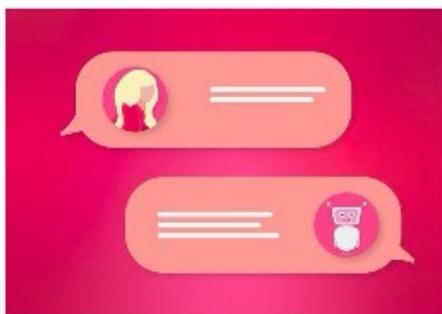
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# Artificial Intelligence (AI)

## What is AI?

AI is when a computer/machine can learn and perform tasks like a human. Its popularity continues to grow, and examples include:

- **Search engines** such as Google now include an AI-generated overview as part of their results.
- **Virtual assistants** like Alexa, Meta AI and Siri.
- **Chatbots** such as ChatGPT and My AI from Snapchat.



## Opportunities

AI can be an effective tool when used correctly, for instance:

- **Homework** – children can use AI to support and assist their learning.
- **Advice** – AI can be used to provide information and suggestions on a variety of topics.

## Risks and concerns

- **Misinformation** – ensure your child understands that AI can sometimes provide incorrect or misleading information.
- **Privacy issues** – read any privacy policies before using.
- **Chat apps** - a simple search of “AI Chat” within the App store highlights the number of apps already available that are not suitable for children as many are rated as 17+.
- **Image manipulation** – there are AI tools that can be used to digitally remove clothes from photos, which clearly raises serious safeguarding and privacy concerns.
- **Deepfakes** – there are also AI tools that create realistic, fake videos that can be used to spread misinformation or cause harm.

## How can I protect my child?

To help keep your child safe online, it is important to:

- Check age ratings of any apps or websites that your child accesses.
- Develop your child’s digital literacy by highlighting the risks of AI and showing them how important it is to verify what they see online.
- Set up appropriate parental controls on their devices/ broadband.
- Chat to your child regularly and ensure your child knows that they should talk to you or another trusted adult if anything concerns them.

## Further information

- Overview: <https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/by-activity/using-artificial-intelligence/what-is-ai-artificial-intelligence/>
- Should you worry if your child has an AI friend? <https://parentzone.org.uk/article/should-you-worry-if-your-child-has-ai-friend>

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## Roblox: Grow a Garden

Roblox is a platform consisting of a collection of games. Grow a Garden is one of the latest games available on Roblox and is extremely popular. The game is labelled as ‘minimal’ for content maturity, which Roblox define as “may contain occasional mild violence, light unrealistic blood, and/or occasional mild fear.” Roblox believe that the game play is suitable for everyone. However, as the game is on Roblox, it is important to be aware of the following:

- **Chat** – strangers can interact with your child.
- **In-game purchases** – this game does include in-game purchases.
- **Screen time** – set limits for how long your child is playing.

**A lot of the content on Roblox 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, ensure they know how to use any reporting tools and set up appropriate parental controls.

## Further information

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

## Grooming online

Grooming is when somebody seeks to build a relationship with a child to exploit them or cause harm.

It is important that we teach our children how to recognise red flags. Childline have lots of useful information on their website, including where to get further support from:

<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/online-grooming/>



# Community Gardening Days

At Mousehole School  
Community Garden

Come along and get involved in the garden,

- ✓ Help with gardening
- ✓ Bring a cake
- ✓ Or just enjoy the company!



Everyone is welcome –

Upcoming dates

(11am – 2pm)

- 11th October
- 8th November
- 6th December





Cornwall Partnership  
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The Mental Health Support Team warmly  
invite you to attend...

# Wild Wellbeing

During October half term we are offering FREE nature based creative sessions linked to the 5 ways to wellbeing.

This is for parents and children aged 5-12 in Cornwall.  
Please book EACH child on to a session.

Morning and afternoon sessions available at:

**The Core at St Ives Community**

**Orchard - Thursday 30 October**

**Hayle Family Hub - Friday 31 October**

We are also offering a **Parentwell session at**

**Penrose Estate - Monday 27 October**

Each session will last approx. 2 hours

To request a place, please complete the online  
form or scan the QR code provided:

<https://forms.office.com/e/vc2Dtk8C5B>



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