



MOUSEHOLE NEWSLETTER



What's Been Happening This Week - 7.5.26

Dyth da, Parents and Carers,

It has been a wonderful week in school, filled with enriching experiences and achievements that we are delighted to share with you.

Lugger Class enjoyed a fantastic residential visit earlier this week. Their adventure began at the Eden Project, where they immersed themselves in learning as rainforest rangers, followed by an overnight stay at Boswinger Youth Hostel. The visit concluded with an exciting science experience at Discovery 42 in Bodmin. The children were an absolute pleasure to be with and showed remarkable resilience, kindness and teamwork especially as this was the first time away from home for many. I would like to extend a huge thank you to all staff who gave up their time to make this such a memorable and valuable experience for the children.

As we look ahead to next week, we would like to wish our fantastic Year 6 pupils the very best of luck in their SATs. They have worked extremely hard and should feel incredibly proud of all they have achieved. This is an opportunity for them to showcase everything they have learned. We have been particularly impressed by their calm, positive approach and readiness for the challenges ahead. We look forward to welcoming the children into school earlier on Monday for the special Year 6 breakfast and hope everyone enjoys a restful weekend.

We are also delighted to congratulate Caleb, Arlo and Kerra on achieving their Level 1 and Level 2 Keyboard Music Awards. It is wonderful to see so many children engaging with music and developing their talents, well done and keep up the excellent work.

Well done to the boys' football team who reached the semi-finals this week. They travelled to Ladock for their match and, despite a 5-0 loss, played with determination and did not give up. Thank you to Mr Ansell and Becky for supporting the team.

Please continue to look out for upcoming events, which are regularly shared through our newsletter and on the school website.

A polite reminder to ensure children are wearing the correct school uniform, including black shoes on non-PE days. As the weather becomes warmer, please also ensure your child brings a water bottle, sun cream and a hat each day.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We wish you and your families a very enjoyable weekend.

Sarah Trow
Headteacher

Housepoints

Gwynver: 144

Praa Sands: 229

Sennen: 159

Porth Chapel: 134

Attendance

Whole School: 98%

Dinghy: 93%

Skiff: 100%

Lugger: 100%

Schooner: 97.5%

Dates

- 11th May-Year 6 SAT's Week
- 25th-29th May-Half Term
- 1st-3rd June-Schooner Camp
- 12th June Sports Day
- 19th June Back up Sports Day
- 27th June Mazey Day Parade
- 6th July TPAT Super Orchestra
- 14th July Lugger -Minack Production
- 16th July 2 whole school performances of Peter Pan
- 24th July Leavers assembly
- 24th July last day of Summer Term

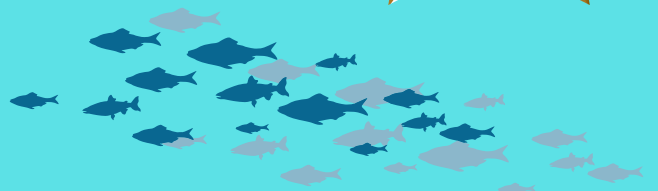
2025-2026 INSET Days:

Monday 1st June 2026- School closed

Stars of the week

Congratulations to Rio, Kit, Caleb M and Varya for their dedication and hardwork at all times and being fantastic role models to others modelling our school values through their written work, around the school and on camp.

Keep up the great work all of you!



Headteacher awards this week go to Lamorna for her fantastic work with decimals in maths this week, she has absolutely nailed it. Well done Lamorna.



Congratulations to Arlo, Caleb and Kerra for achieving their Level 1 and 2 keyboard awards great work all of you!



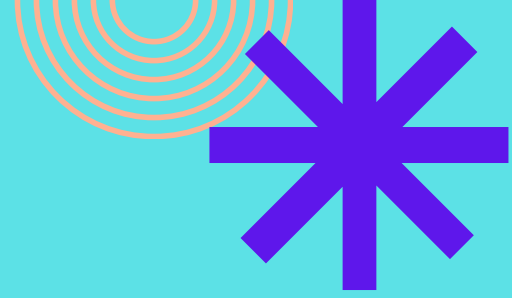
Respect!

The Wellbeing Ambassadors spotted these children modelling our school values:

- Helping their classmates with their school work: Delilah and Lilah
- Being generous and putting others first: Rupert Herring
- Being brave on camp: Luggar class
- Being good role models: Agnes, Uma and Leonie
- Looking after their friends: Tyson and Dinghy class



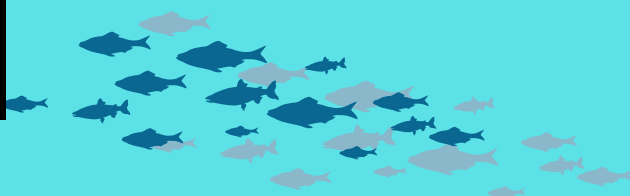
Cornish words of the week
Chons da- Good luck



Congratulations to Lamorna, Ruan, Ivy and Eli for showcasing their work. We are working hard to produce our best work at all times by demonstrating our school values of respect, hard working, confidence and kindness.

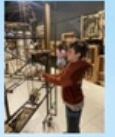
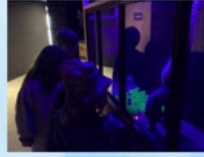


Congratulations to Katie for achieving their 55 Club this week. Keep up the good work and keep practicing, you worked hard to get this Katie, well done!

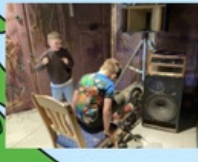
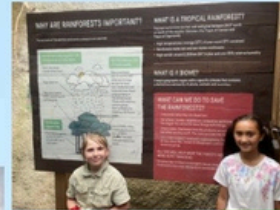
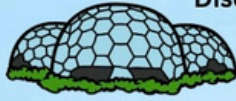




LUGGER SCHOOL CAMP 2026



Lugger class had a fantastic time on their school camp! They visited the Eden Project becoming Rainforest Rangers with activities around the Mediterranean Biome! They explored the different climate and types of plants growing in there. They then stayed overnight at Boswinger youth hostel where I hear the beds were very comfy and Lugger class performed in a talent show in the evening! Their final day was spent at Discovery 42, a science museum with interactive science activities including one where they made their own science experiment mocktail! What a fantastic couple of days! We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone at the Eden Project, Boswinger Youth Hostel and Discovery 42.



Semi final for the boys against Ladock school, very tough match, and a long journey after school, which unfortunately we lost 5-0. Well played everyone! We lost to the better team on the day on this occasion.

Mr Ansell

SUPPORT FOR MOUSEHOLE ROCKPOOL

If you are looking for a summer hat for yourself or your child. They have had a limited number of lovely cotton caps made to help raise funds for the Friends of Mousehole Rock Pool. They are £20.00 each in 4 soft colours. (Blue, pink, green and grey).

We love using the pool as one of our outdoor learning experiences so if you are able to support in any way that would be greatly appreciated.

Here is an example modelled by Arlo.



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Dear Parent/Carer

Here at Mousehole School we recognise that there are occasions when it is appropriate to authorise an absence, such as when a pupil is genuinely too ill to attend school.

However, the Government does not support parents taking children out of school unless the school agrees this is appropriate under '*exceptional circumstances*'. Any request for leave should be made in writing to the Headteacher using the school's '*Leave of Absence Exceptional Circumstances*' request form.

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 £80 if paid within 21 days or £160 if paid after this but within 28 days.

If your child is further absent from school without authorisation within any 3-year period, you will be committing a further 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 for a second offence are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £160, payable within 28 days.

Importantly, fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action such as a parenting order or prosecution will be considered.

Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may also result in legal action. If you are prosecuted and attend court because your child has not been attending school, you could get a fine of up to £2,500. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.

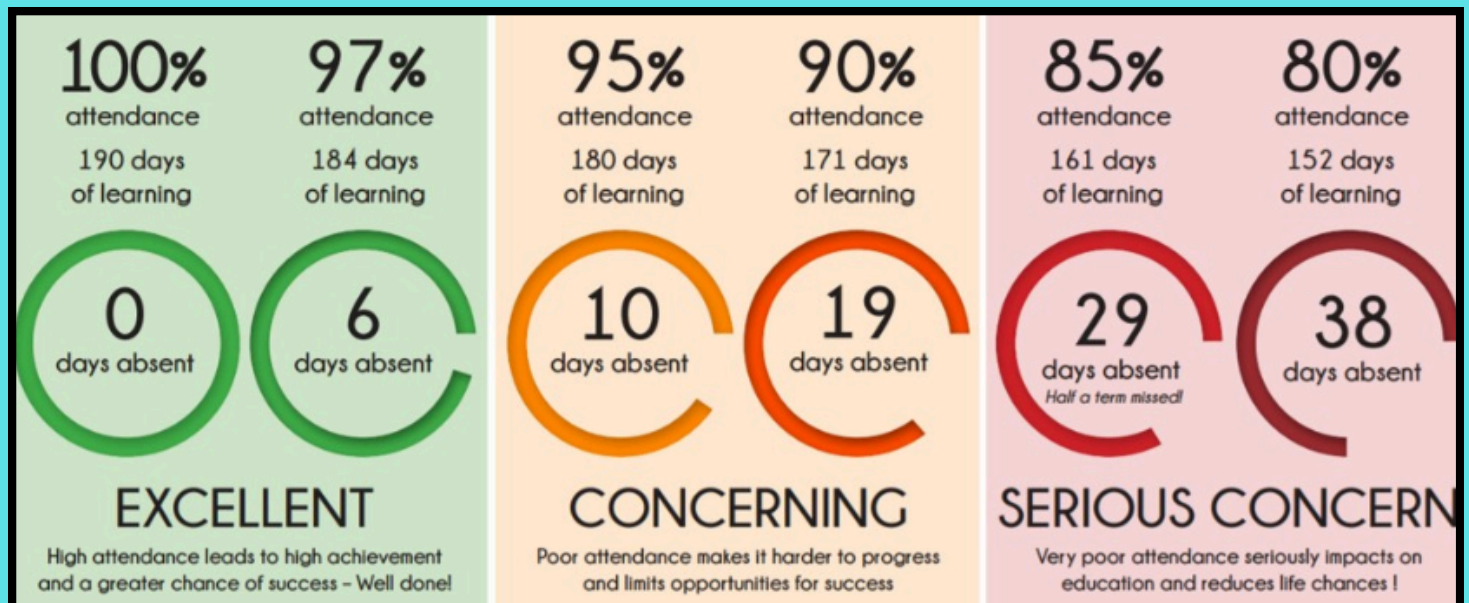
Absence not authorised by the school may also result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Again, Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.

Money raised from fines is only used by the local authority to cover the costs of administering the system, and to fund attendance support. Any extra money is returned to the government.

'Parent' as set out in Section 576 of the Education Act 1996, defines parent to include: natural parents, whether they are married or not; any person or body who has parental responsibility for a child (as defined by the Children Act 1989) and; any person who, although not a natural parent, has care of a child. Having care of a child means a person with whom a child lives and who looks after a child, irrespective of what their relationship is with said child.

You are welcome to contact the school to discuss any concerns you may have regarding this or if you feel you would like advice or support in helping your child attend more regularly. Mousehole School is committed to enabling every child to reach their full potential and aims to work with parents to ensure this can be achieved.

Yours sincerely
 Sarah Trow
 Headteacher



PAPAYA

Let's talk about our kids and their tech

ONLINE PARENT TALK WITH NICOLA:

CORNWALL SCHOOLS PARENT TALK
MONDAY 8TH JUNE 2026 – 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM



JOINING LINK:

[ACCESS VIA THE TEAMS LINK HERE](#)



Nicola
MacDonald

Nicola MacDonald is a Resilience Coach and Author of the non-fiction book, *Resilient Teen*. She is the Founder of My Resilient Mind and Co-Founder of The Digital Detox Club. She runs resilience workshops and talks for schools, parents, and adults in the workplace. She specialises in mindfulness, tech addiction, youth mental health and conscious parenting.

Nicola is an empowering and uplifting speaker who shares her knowledge in a non-judgemental way linking to her own experiences of parenthood and her own previous struggles with teen anxiety.

PAPAYA

Helping families to thrive in a digital age

Parenting in the **digital age** has never been more complex, with issues surrounding screen time, social media use, and gaming.

Many parents are concerned about their children's mental health, especially the impact of screens on it.

In this interactive talk, Nicola unpacks some of the **complex issues** surrounding smartphone use and, in a **non-judgmental** manner, aims to help you find solutions that work for your family.

Topics

- The link between mental health and wellbeing and spending too much time online
- Strategies for delaying the smartphone
- Strategies for families to achieve a healthy balance with technology
- Question and discussion time

"The talk is so relevant, full of insight and eye-opening. You will walk away inspired to connect, reflect, and find out more. I highly recommend it."

– Claire Curtis, parent and SFC volunteer.