

MOUSEHOLE NEWS

Friday 24th January 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

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This week has been busy with the children truly immersed in their learning alongside several sporting fixtures and children learning new instruments.

Skiff Class have begun to learn to play the recorder this week with Jenny Crow and will continue for the next 10 weeks. They all thoroughly enjoyed themselves and are enjoying this wonderful opportunity to develop the love of music throughout the school.

The High 5 team had their first match of the season against St Just this week. They demonstrated great enthusiasm and worked really hard as a team despite losing. They are looking forward to their next match on the 11th February!

The girls football team played against Alverton School on Tuesday. They put up a good attacking approach and have learned to position themselves around the pitch with more confidence. It was a very close game until the end when Alverton managed to get a couple of extra goals. The final score was 3:1 to Alverton.

In Hockey this week the children played against 4 different teams with some very imaginative names. We have been named as The Mousehole Menaces! We lost three and won one. Well done to all who took part representing our school brilliantly.

It was lovely to welcome Rev Ralph into school again. He delivered an interesting assembly about friendships which the children found engaging.

Please remember to bring a coat and a water bottle to school and only wear your PE kit on the designated PE days for their class. Many thanks.

A quick reminder to be in school at 8.45am promptly for the register and we finish at 3.15pm.

Hope you have a wonderful weekend and don't get blown away by the gale!

Best wishes

Sarah Trow

Stars of the week



Skiff Class	<p>-Evelyn</p> <p>-Mawgan</p>	<p>Consistently showing a positive attitude and great effort to do your best!</p> <p>Working so hard with such brilliant focus , we are so impressed.</p>
Lugger Class	<p>- Luna</p> <p>-Henry</p>	<p>- For absolutely fabulous enthusiasm in writing your non-chronological report about Ancient Egyptians. Well done Luna!</p> <p>- Marvellous Maths!For spotting patterns and links in multiplying and dividing the 8x tables and being confident in explaining the process. Well done Henry!</p>
Schooner Class	<p>-Annabelle</p> <p>-Alina</p>	<p>- For her algebraic niche in maths. Super confident! Keep it up Annabelle</p> <p>-Well done Alina. I have been so impressed with your determination to succeed. Your writing has made excellent progress-Keep it up!</p>



Marvellous Mouse Of The Week



Freddie
 For his incredible speech and learning new words so quickly. Well done Freddie!

HOUSE POINTS:



PORTHCHAPEL: 123

GWYNVER: 109

SENNEN: 150

PRAA SANDS: 183



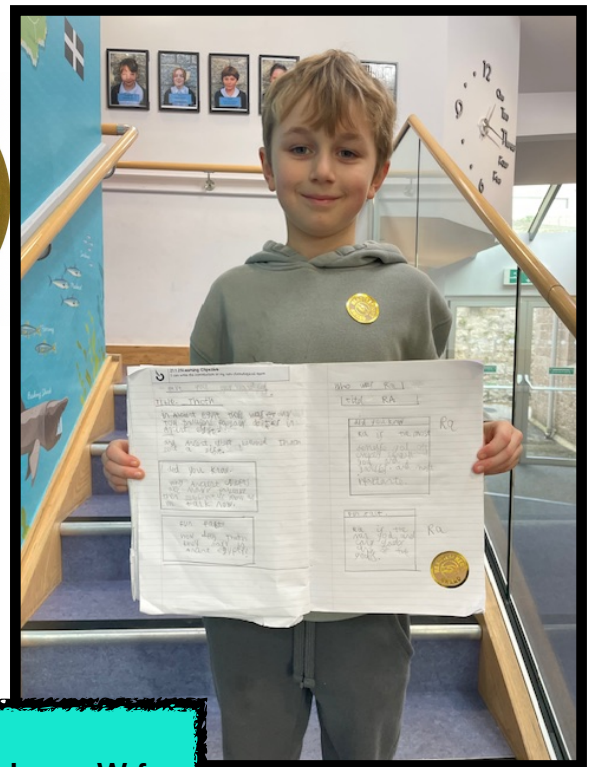
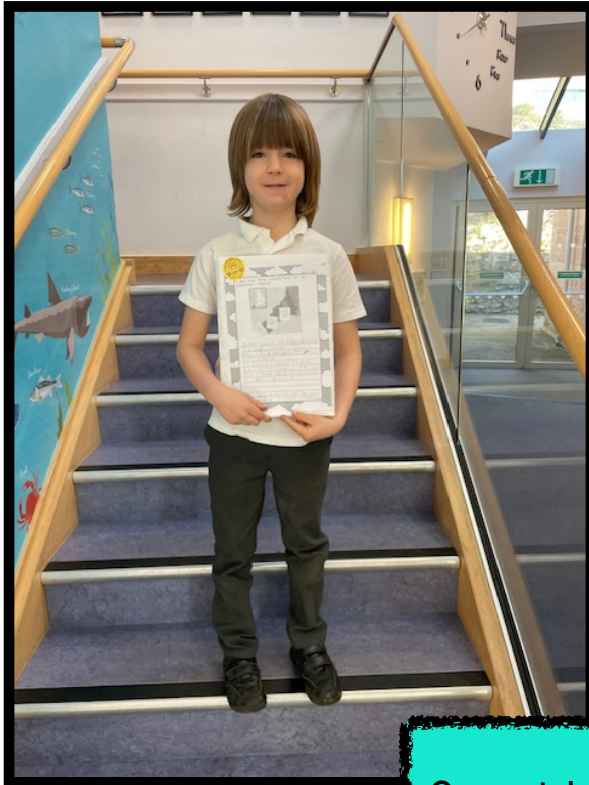
WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:

96.27%

SKIFF-93.7%

LUGGER- 95.3%

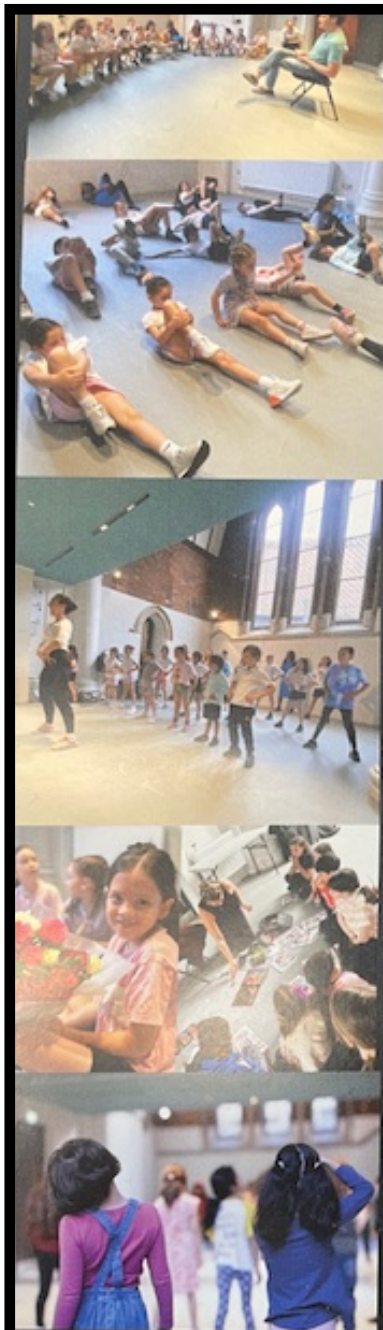
SCHOONER-98%



Congratulations to Otis and Isaac W for their headteacher awards this week. Otis for his fantastic weather report and Isaac for his non chronological report about the Egyptian gods and goddesses.

Cornish words of the week!

**“Penn-blood Lowen!” -
Happy birthday**



NEWLYN THEATRE TROUPE
• OLD SCHOOL STUDIOS

Join Newlyn Theatre Troupe @ Old School Studio

Weekly Musical Theatre classes.
Held every Saturday.

First Troupe (ages 5-9)
12:1-30 pm.

Second Troupe (ages 10-15)
1:45-3:15pm

No term fees. Pay per session.
£10 at sign in.

Scan the QR code to visit our
website and book your class.
Free trial on first class.

Email:
admin@newlyntheatretroupe.com
Call us: 07742039467



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Spring Term:

Fridays-Schooners swimming

Jumping Mice weekly on Tuesdays 10.30-11.30am

W/b 3.2.25 Mental Health Week

Friday 7th Feb Luggers Cake Stall 3.15pm

Friday 14th Feb Valentine Disco-5.30-7pm

Half Term 17th-21st February

Tue 4th March St Piran Concert 7pm St Johns Hall

Wed 5th March St Piran Parade 10am

Thurs 6th March World Book Day

Wed 12th March Parent Consultations

Fri 21st March Red Nose Day

Wed 26th March Tempest whole school photos

Thurs 27th March Songfest 3.30-8.45pm St Johns Hall

W/B 31st March No Clubs

Friday 4th April Easter egg Raffle

Friday 4th April- Last Day of Term

Yr 6 SAT's w/b 12th May 15th May

Summer Term Begins 22.4.25

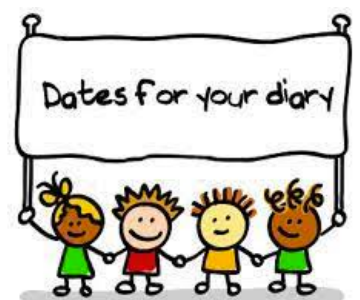
2024-2025 INSET Days:

Monday 21st July 2025

Tuesday 22nd July 2025

Wednesday 23rd July 2025

Autumn Term Begins 2.9.25





Online Safety Newsletter

Jan 2025

Social Media Influencers

What is an Influencer?

An influencer is somebody on a social media platform such as YouTube and Instagram, who have a high number of followers. Influencers share their opinions/ideas and may be paid to advertise/promote products through their account.

What should I be concerned about?

Whilst there are some great influencers, there are some that choose to share content that is for example, misogynistic, racist or misleading. These opinions can be expressed or interpreted as fact, so it is important to talk to your child and encourage them to fact check and critically analyse what they see and hear online.

What we see on social media

What we see is influenced by algorithms, which predict what type of content we are most likely to interact with. Whilst there are benefits of algorithms, it can mean that once we start looking at certain content, our social media feed can become more aligned with that opinion, creating an echo chamber and therefore we do not see a balanced picture. Find out more here: <https://www.childnet.com/blog/algorithms/>

What can I do to help my child?

Talk to your child about social media and who they follow. If there is anybody that you are unsure of, then check their feed and discuss with your child if you find anything worrying.

Further information

<https://swgfl.org.uk/topics/social-media/>

Fortnite Battle Royale



Fortnite Battle Royale is rated PEGI 12 due to moderate violence, meaning it is not suitable for children under the age of 12.

What is Fortnite?

There are different versions of Fortnite, including Fortnite Battle Royale, which is free to play (although it contains in-app purchases). In Battle Royale, up to one hundred players compete against each other until one winner remains.

What do I need to be aware of?

- **Chatting and inappropriate language:** Fortnite includes voice and text chat, which may mean your child encounters strangers and may hear inappropriate language. Ensure your child knows how to report/block any players that make them feel uncomfortable.
- **In app purchases:** Players can purchase V-Bucks so make sure you restrict purchases and do not store your card details.

Parental Controls

Fortnite provides several parental controls in your child's Epic account to help you create a safer environment for your child. The controls allow you to:

- disable voice chat
- filter language
- manage which experiences your child can access based on their age
- set a PIN to add friends
- set a PIN for purchases
- set time limits
- set appropriate privacy settings.

Also, remember to set up age-appropriate parental controls on the device your child is playing on.

Reporting/Blocking Features

As always, ensure your child knows how to use the reporting and blocking features and that they know they should talk to you or another trusted adult if anything concerns them.

Further information

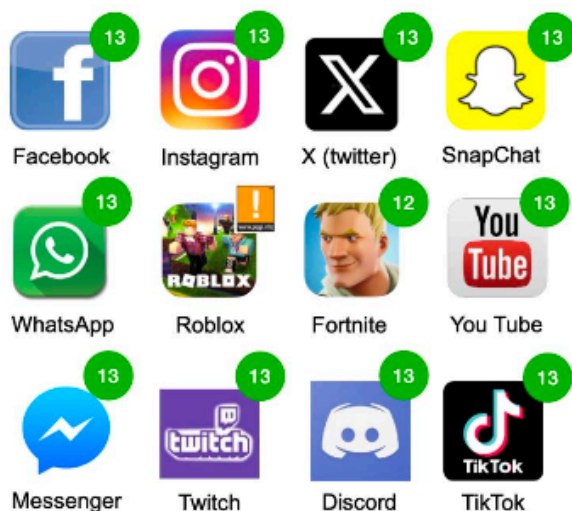
You can find out more here:

- <https://safety.epicgames.com/en-US/parental-controls>
- <https://parentzone.org.uk/article/fortnite>

Users of this guide do so at their own discretion. No liability is entered into.
Current as of the date released 01.01.25.

Get to know age ratings

Age ratings exist to help protect your child, so we thought we'd provide you with a little reminder of how important it is to check the age ratings of what your child is accessing online. Here are the age ratings of some of the more popular apps that young people are accessing.



Whether your child is viewing films, accessing apps, playing games online or using social media – make sure you check the age rating first to see if your child is old enough. In addition, the likes of PEGI (Pan European Game Information) provide further content descriptors, which will give you an indication of the type of content that your child might view e.g. violence or bad language.

What else should I review?

It is important to note that whilst age ratings do allow you to see if something may be appropriate for your child, it is also important to review the content yourself. This will allow you to make an informed decision as to whether it is suitable for your child to access and if it would be beneficial to apply further parental controls. For example, does it include the ability to communicate with others and are in game/app purchases available?

What else can I do?

- Explain the importance of age ratings to your child and how they protect them.
- Go online together to see what your child is accessing.
- Set up parental controls on your broadband, devices and on any individual apps that your child is using. This will reduce the chances of them accessing or viewing anything unsuitable.
- 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.

Further information

You can find out more here:

<https://eegamesmart.co.uk/articles/how-age-ratings-help-families/>

Smartphone Free Childhood



Smartphone Free Childhood is a parent-led movement whose mission is to protect children from the dangers of using smartphones too young.

The premise behind this movement is that all parents/carers of a class all agree not to give their children smartphones (therefore the level of peer pressure is reduced) for a set time or until a specific age. Are you ready to join? Find out more here:

<https://smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk>

Digital differences between men and women revealed

Ofcom have released their annual report into our daily habits. The findings show that women and teenage girls are more worried about online harms. You can read the full report here:

<https://www.ofcom.org.uk/media-use-and-attitudes/online-habits/digital-differences-between-men-and-women-revealed/>

X (Twitter) Checklist

You should be at least 13 years of age to have a Twitter account. The SWGfL have created a free Privacy and Security checklist for you to download. The resource is available here:

<https://swgfl.org.uk/magazine/introducing-the-x-checklist-keeping-your-profile-under-control/>

NHS Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST

Parents and Carers - please join us at our 1hr online **Sleep Workshop**

Monday 3rd February - 11am & 4pm
 Tuesday 4th February - 9.30am & 2pm
 Wednesday 5th February - 9.30am & 1.30pm
 Thursday 6th February - 11am & 1.30pm

This workshop aims to provide psychoeducation on sleep hygiene and sleep routines. Also includes practical strategies for helping children

To book a place please complete the online form [HERE](https://forms.office.com/e/7ac7qHLPhc) <https://forms.office.com/e/7ac7qHLPhc> or scan the QR code

This workshop is open to parents/carers of primary aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 6 in any school in Cornwall

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MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST

Parents and Carers - please join us at our 1hr online **Behaviour Workshop**

Monday 27th January - 9.30am & 2pm
 Tuesday 28th January - 11.30 am & 4pm
 Wednesday 29th January - 9.30am & 1.30pm
 Thursday 30th January - 11.00am & 4pm

This workshop provides parents with practical strategies to foster positive behaviour and communication at home.

To book a place please complete the online form [HERE](https://forms.office.com/e/1PwGDXSQ40) <https://forms.office.com/e/1PwGDXSQ40> or scan the QR code

This workshop is open to parents/carers of primary aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 6 in any school in Cornwall

Early Help - Family Support Worker

I need some support with my child's behaviours.

My family really struggles with routines.

I wonder if there is any support out there for dealing with my child's school worries/anxiety.

I wonder if my child is suffering from trauma because of what we have been through as a family.

Where can I find help for me so that I can be a parent more effectively?

I don't know what support I need, I just need some advice.



Hello my name is **Sophie**

I am the Family Support Link Worker for your school

If you need some advice or support for your family, please talk to the school to find out when the next Early Help drop in/coffee morning will be.

If you are really struggling and feel you need some support sooner, please ask the school to pass on your details and I will be happy to contact you.


Are you worried about your child's mental health?

It can be difficult to know how best to support your child and what support is available for them.

Drop into Penzance Family Hub (in St John's Hall) on Monday 20th January 9:30-11:30.

CAMHS and Primary Mental Health practitioners will be available to answer your questions and advise you on the best course of action for your child. Family workers from Early Help and SEND System Navigator will also be available to offer advice and signposting.

No need to book – please drop in on 20th January.



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