

# MOUSEHOLE NEWS



Friday 13th June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

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Lots of exciting things have been happening in school this week. Practicing lines, acting and singing for the school production of Treasure Island are coming along nicely.

Schooner had a masterclass with Emma from Aspens making and eating their own spaghetti bolognese on Wednesday as their DT outcome. Learning where the produce has come from and how to prepare the ingredients safely.

Skiff had the pleasure of learning and acting the story of Zacheus alongside the Open The Book team from St Pol Du Leon Church with confidence and enthusiasm. Thank to all the volunteers who came along to support the children. We also had the pleasure of welcoming Reverend Thomas who sang songs with the children who joined in with great joy. We look forward to seeing him again in the future.

It was fantastic to welcome Floyd Steadman back into school he visited Schooner Class to talk about the Monarchy and Lieutenancy. He said "The children were a delightful. They were respectful and polite, but also so motivated for the whole session." -true role models for Mousehole School!

Congratulations to the children that represented our school in the TPAT Penwith games on Thursday. They demonstrated great teamwork, resilience and determination along with lots of enthusiasm. Well done to Alfie and Kerra who won medals in their events.

The mixed year 3/4 football team played against St Hilary earlier in the week. Thank you to Mr Ansell for taking the children. They played well as a team and are developing their skills in each game. On this occasion they lost 4-0.

**The road between Newlyn and Mousehole is going to be shut the week beginning 16th June so you will need to come to school via Paul. Please be more vigilant than normal as lots of parents will be walking their children up and down the hill. Thank you for your support during that week.**

Food recycling- New government policy now necessitates us to implement a new system for food waste. The main thing for parents to understand is that children who have a home packed lunch will now have to bring home any unfinished food and wrappings. Thank you for your cooperation in this.

Next Friday hopefully the weather will be sunny for our backup for sports day. Please remember to order a pasty on Monday morning or bring in your own packed lunch as we won't be having school dinners on that day. Also send your child in with suncream, a hat and a water bottle.

Hope you all have a restful weekend and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday morning.

Sarah Trow

## HOUSE POINTS:



**PORTHCHAPEL:179**

**GWYNVER:82**

**SENNEN:158**

**PRAA SANDS:135**



**WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:**

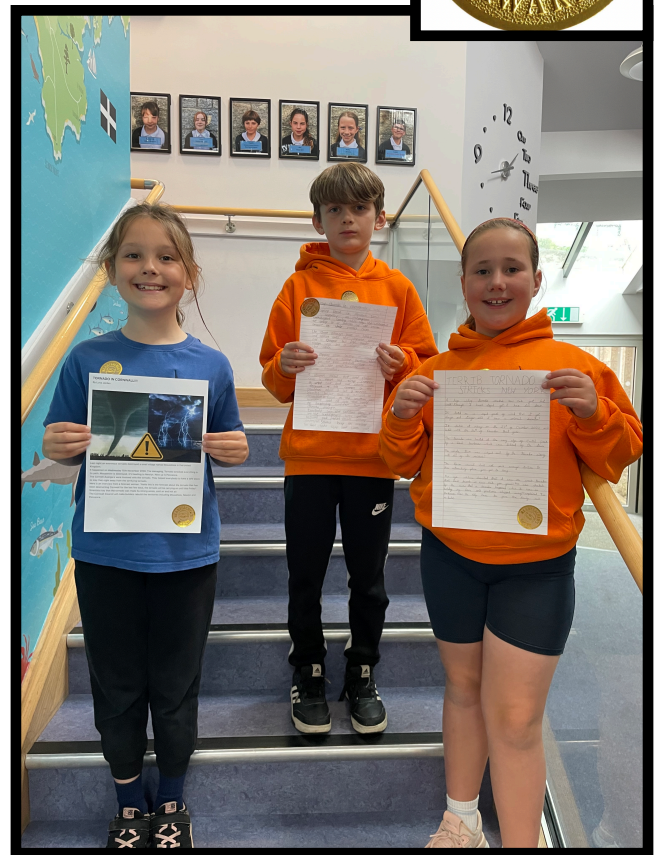
94%

SKIFF-95%

LUGGER- 91 %

SCHOONER- 95%

## Cornish words of the week! "Morvleydh "- shark



Headteacher awards this week go to Luna, Jordan and Martha for their fantastic weather disaster newspaper reports. They used fantastic vocabulary and facts to draw the reader in. Great work all of you! Also to Sully who read a whole story book to Jude off his own back showing demonstrating great reading skills and kindness!





# Open the BOOK



This morning our very own Skiff class got to show off their acting skills! They spent part of the morning with some volunteers from Paul church practising a scene all about friendship focusing on a story from the New Testament called Zaccheus. We welcomed Reverend Adam Thomas who is the new priest in charge of the Lands End Benefice based in St Buryan. They spoke with confidence and all of the children enjoyed signing together. A huge thank you to the open the book team and Reverend Thomas.



## TPAT GAMES



Yesterday some children from Luggar class were selected to represent our school at Penwith College and take part in TPAT Games. Many primary schools from the trust took part demonstrating TPAT values when it comes to sports. Medals were awarded to two children in each team who were showing these values the best. We are so proud of our team who showed great sportsmanship, enthusiasm and determination. Well done!







# SCHOONER SPAGHETTI SPECIAL!

Schooner class had a great morning on Wednesday with a little help from Aspens making a healthy spaghetti bolognese for their final outcome in DT. There was chopping, slicing and lots of fun! Who knew that Schooners were all secret professional chefs in the making? Well done Schooner class!



## Floyd Steadman

On Monday Schooner class were fortunate enough to spend the morning with Floyd Steadman OBE. Schooner class felt inspired after listening to his inspirational talk when he came in a few weeks ago to talk to the school. After he received letters of thanks he just couldn't wait to come back in and speak to the children again! We would like to say another huge thank you to Mr Steadman OBE for inspiring us with all of his achievements and for taking the time again to come and see us here in Mousehole!





## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

### **Summer Term:**

Jumping Mice weekly on Tuesdays 10.30-11.30am

Sports Day Friday 20th June at 1pm on the school field

Mazey parade 28th June for the 11am procession.

Yr 6 transition days are on 1st July for MBS and HDS

Yr 6 transition days are on 1st and 2nd of July for Cape Cornwall

Whole School Transition 1st July to see their new classes and teachers

TPAT Musical Extravaganza 7th July at the hall for Cornwall- 6.30pm

Treasure Island School Production 10th July 1pm and 6pm performances

Minack Theatre -The Cornish Avengers 15th July Lugger Class

Jubilee Pool 16th July awaiting TBC

Harbour skills 17th July in the morning

Leavers Assembly Friday 18th July

Last day of the summer term Friday 18th July

### **2024-2025 INSET Days:**

Monday 21st July 2025

Tuesday 22nd July 2025

Wednesday 23rd July 2025







# Online Safety Newsletter

June 2025

## Virtual Reality (VR)

VR is a 3D computer generated environment that users can explore wearing a VR Headset.

### Meta Quest Parental Controls

Meta Quest are one of the more popular VR Headsets. Users aged 13+ can use Meta Quest (children between 10 and 12 years old can use it through a parent managed account). *Meta Quest state that VR Headsets are not recommended for use by younger or smaller-sized children for a variety of reasons including eye strain.* Optional supervision tools are available for those aged 13–17. Find out more here: <https://familycenter.meta.com/uk/our-products/horizon-and-quest/>

Meta Quest has a Safety Centre; it includes health and safety warnings and how to set privacy settings. <https://www.meta.com/gb/quest/safety-center/>

### Gorilla Tag

This is a popular game and whilst rated as PEGI 3 (even though young children should not be using VR), it is important to note that it does include in app purchases and players can interact so there is a risk of offensive/inappropriate language. <https://www.esrb.org/blog/a-parents-guide-to-gorilla-tag/>

### What can I do?

- Check what games your child is accessing and make sure they are appropriate.
- Play together.
- Set time limits and ensure plenty of breaks.

### Further information:

- <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/virtual-reality-headsets/>

## Online Privacy

It is important to develop an understanding of how you can protect your child's privacy online. Any personal information shared online creates a digital footprint and it is vital that we control who sees what.

### What are Privacy settings?

Privacy settings are tools available on most social media apps, websites, and games. They allow users to control who can view what they share online.

### What can we do to support our children with their online privacy?

**Talk to your child regularly:** Talk to your child about what is personal information and to think about what they share online. Personal information includes their name, address, current location and the school they attend. This also includes information within photos or videos that they may share, for example does it show their current location?

**Apply appropriate privacy settings:** For any app, game or device that your child uses, check the privacy settings and apply them as appropriate. For example:

- o Check if their location is being shared.
- o Check who can tag them in posts (as what others tag them in can also affect their digital footprint).
- o Check who can share their content.

Check these settings regularly as new options may become available or sometimes updates can change previous settings.

**Children learn from us:** Think about what you are sharing online – do you share photos of your child in their school uniform or their current location?

**Set strong/complex passwords:** Teach your child to create strong/complex passwords and to never share them with others.

**Search their name** – search their name in a search engine to see what information can be seen about your child. Remind your child that they can delete any information that they no longer want others to see.

### Further Information

- <https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/taking-care-your-digital-footprint/>
- <https://www.unicef.org/parenting/child-care/online-privacy>
- [https://www.ceopeducation.co.uk/11\\_18/lets-talk-about/online-safety/privacy-settings/](https://www.ceopeducation.co.uk/11_18/lets-talk-about/online-safety/privacy-settings/)

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# Instagram

**You must be over 13 years of age to set up an account.** Instagram is used to post photos and videos as well as send direct messages, make voice/video calls, and send disappearing messages. Users can also upload to 'Stories' (which disappear after 24 hours), broadcast live and upload reels (short videos).

## Teen accounts

Teen accounts are automatically set up for users aged 13 – 17. Teens under the age of 16 will need your permission to update their safety settings. With a Teen Account, additional safety settings are applied, for example, who your child can contact is limited and the content they access will be set to the most restrictive setting to reduce exposure to sensitive content. Find out more here: <https://help.instagram.com/995996839195964>

## Supervision settings

Instagram also offers a supervision facility, which is a set of tools that you can use to help support your child. It is important to note that both you and your child must agree to these settings, and they can be removed at any time by either person. Once set up you can:

- Set a time limit.
- See which accounts your child is following and who is following them.
- View who your child has messaged in the past week (you will not be able to see the contents of these messages)
- The option to block your child from accessing Instagram at certain times e.g. during school or at night.

Find out more here:

[https://help.instagram.com/658522825492278/?helpref=related\\_articles](https://help.instagram.com/658522825492278/?helpref=related_articles)

## How to Reset Your Instagram Recommendations

You can reset recommendations, which will clear recommended content across Explore, Reels and Feed. You can find out more here:

<https://about.fb.com/news/2024/11/introducing-recommendations-reset-instagram/>

## What are the risks of using Instagram?

- Cyberbullying.
- Risk of contact from strangers.
- Viewing inappropriate content.
- Echo chambers - algorithms can create an echo chamber. Once we show an interest in a subject, the app/ site will promote that content, which may mean we are overly exposed to it.

## Safety Features

If your child is using Instagram, then ensure they know how to report posts and people, how to unfollow/block people as well as delete and turn off comments. Find out how: <https://help.instagram.com/269765046710559>

## More information

Visit the family centre to learn more about the features available: <https://familycenter.meta.com/uk/>

## Talking to your child about online mistakes

The online world is difficult to navigate, and mistakes will happen. When they do, it is important that as a parent you are ready.

### Stay Calm

If your child tells you about something that they have done wrong online, then try to stay calm and listen.

### Be Honest

You may not know how to solve the issue but tell them you will help them work it out.

### Solve It Together

Try and resolve the problem together to help your child learn and understand what went wrong. This will also develop their digital literacy skills.

You should also take the opportunity to review/set up any available parental controls.

### Help and Support

If you feel like you need support from an external organisation, then Parent Zone have listed some of the different organisations available:

<https://parentzone.org.uk/article/help-and-support>

### Further information:

<https://www.brightcanary.io/what-to-do-when-your-child-sends-inappropriate-things/>

## Texting dictionary from Internet Matters

Internet Matters have created a list of text language terms to help you understand some of the text slang that your child might be using. Find out more here:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/text-dictionary/>





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# PENHALIGON'S FRIENDS FAMILY FUN DAY

11am - 3pm  
Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>  
June 25

Rayle Farm,  
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TR16 4QP

£3 entry  
per person.  
Free entry for under 2's!





- ✓ FREE forest school activities for children!
- ✓ FREE storytelling with children's author Alasdair Hoswell!
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- ✓ Bouncy castles, laser tag and lots of fun activities for children.
- ✓ Great selection of food and drink vendors on site.
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www.penhaligonsfriends.org.uk




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**MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST**

NHS Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

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



Monday 15 September - 9.30am & 1pm  
 Tuesday 16 September - 10am & 4pm  
 Wednesday 17 September - 11am & 1pm  
 Thursday 18 September - 9.30am & 4pm

This workshop aims to talk about the meaning of resilience, explore building resilience and look at how and when a young person should ask for help.

To book a place please complete the online form  
<https://forms.office.com/e/260T74xF2v> or scan the QR code



This workshop is open to parents/carers of school aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 7 in any school in Cornwall

**MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST**

NHS Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

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



Monday 22 September - 9.30am & 1pm  
 Tuesday 23 September - 11am & 4pm  
 Wednesday 24 September - 9.30am & 1pm  
 Thursday 25 September - 10.00am & 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  
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This workshop is open to parents/carers of school aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 7 in any school in Cornwall

**MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST**

NHS Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

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



Monday 29 September - 11am & 4pm  
 Tuesday 30 September - 9.30am & 1pm  
 Wednesday 1 October - 9.30am & 1pm  
 Thursday 2 October - 10am & 4pm

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  
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This workshop is open to parents/carers of school aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 7 in any school in Cornwall

**MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST**

NHS Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

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



Monday 8 September - 9:30am & 1pm  
 Tuesday 9 September - 10am & 4pm  
 Wednesday 10 September - 9:30am & 1pm  
 Thursday 11 September - 11am & 4pm

This workshop aims to provide psychoeducation on "What is worry?" and "Why does my child worry?" Also includes practical strategies for helping children manage their worries.

To book a place please complete the online form  
<https://forms.office.com/e/hkyaFeuY1Z> or scan the QR code



This workshop is open to parents/carers of school aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 7 in any school in Cornwall



