

MOUSEHOLE NEWS



Friday 11th July 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

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Wow what a busy week we have had!

It started on Monday with children from our choir singing alongside choirs from Newlyn and Pensans at the Hall for Cornwall in the TPAT Musical Showcase. 23 schools took part across the primary and secondary schools in the Trust. This was a wonderful experience for the children to sing in front of such a large audience and listen to a wide variety of music. As always the children were beautifully behaved and sang with confidence and joy. I was extremely proud of you all.

Our Year 6 children have achieved exceptional SAT's results this year across the board and we are so proud of how you approached the whole process and the successes you gained- truly well deserved alongside all their extra curricular achievements throughout the year. They are all now ready for their next adventures into their chosen secondary school. Well done to you all!

The whole school have worked tirelessly to produce a wonderful production for "Skeleton Island." The children were fantastic singing, acting and dancing with joy and enthusiasm despite the heat! A huge thank you to all that were involved from the staff, people from the community, FROMS and of course yourselves to make this a super experience for the children.

We have won three awards from Gorseth Kernow- Alina for her lovely booklet "Why I love Cornwall" which she wrote and illustrated beautifully. The St Pirans school choir singing Trelawney and A Penn-bloodh Lowen and the Mousehole School violinists playing The St Piran Furry.

Congratulations to Praa Sands for winning the house points this term with 1314 and they will be celebrating with their team treat next Friday morning.

I hope you all have a super weekend in the sunshine. Only one week left look out for key information via Seesaw for next weeks activities.

Best wishes

Sarah Trow

HOUSE POINTS:



PORTHCHAPEL: 69

GWYNVER: 33

SENNEN: 160

PRAA SANDS: 87



WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:

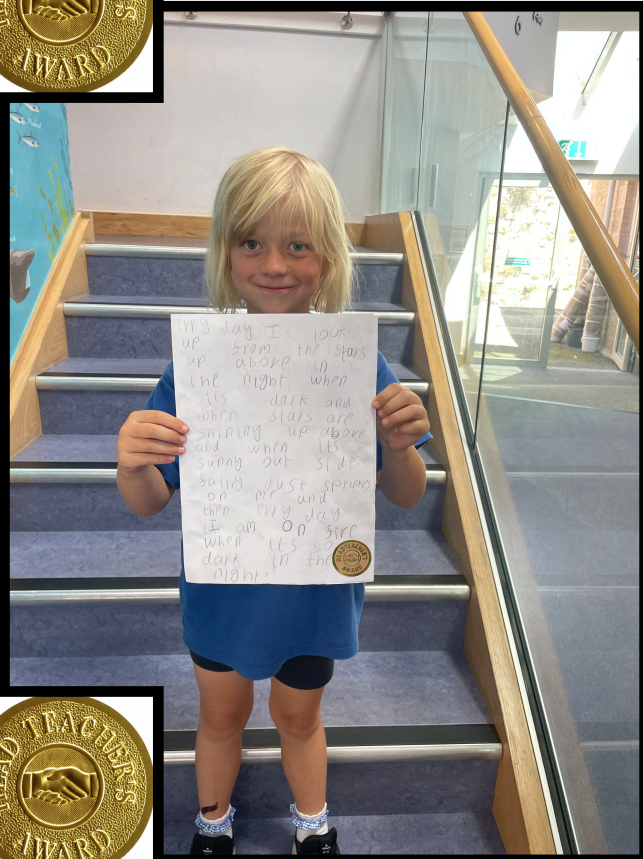
96.7%

SKIFF-95.1%

LUGGER- 95.3%

SCHOONER- 98%

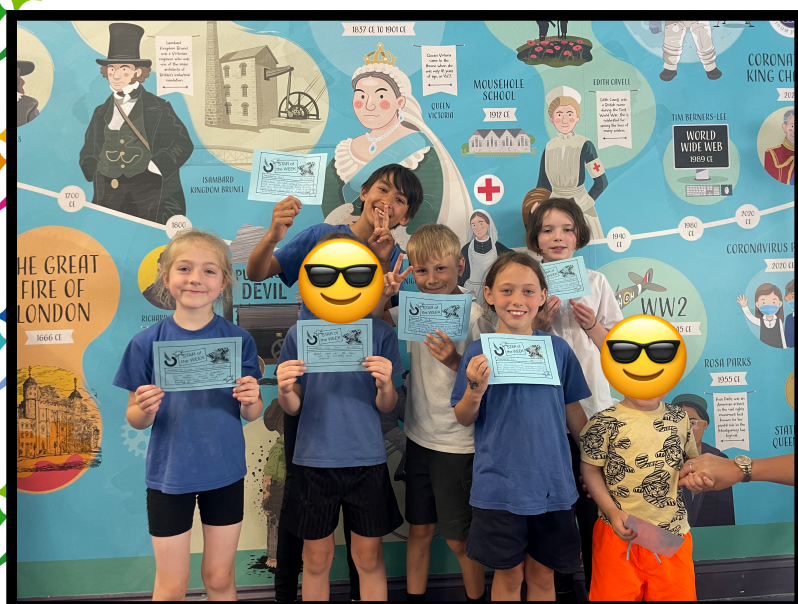
Cornish words of the week!
"Dy'gol havow"- summer holiday



The Headteacher award this week go to Rudy, Hugo, Meadow and Eugenie for their fantastic work in maths about time. They blew Mrs Symons socks off! Also to Margot for writing and singing her own song to both myself and Miss Hook! Great work all of you.

Stars of the week

Skiff Class	Luna W	- For always putting in 100% into her work, a true role model to others in the class and being able to adapt calmly in all situations. Well done Luna.
	Cian	- For fantastic work in RE demonstrating great knowledge and understanding. Well done Cian
Lugger Class	-Alfie S	- This is for working so hard on our school and Minack productions, learning the songs and dances with lots of gusto!
	-Yael	
Schooner Class	- Jude	- Wow! Well done. You showed such wonderful enthusiasm for all our singing and dancing in Skeleton Island
	- -Theo	-Well done. We noticed how enthusiastic and sensible you have been during our recent activities and singing practise. It's been great to have you as a really reliable Schooner!
	- -Elizabeth	-Wow! Well done for showing such wonderful enthusiasm during our school play rehearsals, especially-leading the rap vocals and actions!



Marvellous Mouse Of The Week



Rio

For his amazing growth in confidence. Coming into school, happy and smiling. Well done Rio!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Summer Term:

Jumping Mice weekly on Tuesdays 10.30-11.30am

Minack Theatre -The Cornish Avengers 15th July Lugger Class

Jubilee Pool 16th July -Skiff, Lugger and Schooner collect from Jubilee pool at 2.30pm.

Harbour skills 17th July in the morning

Leavers Assembly Friday 18th July 1.30pm

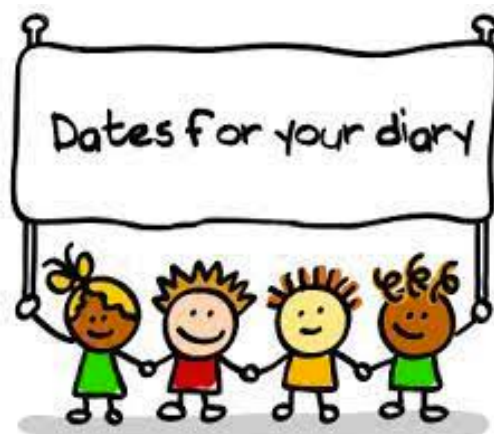
Last day of the summer term Friday 18th July

2024-2025 INSET Days:

Monday 21st July 2025

Tuesday 22nd July 2025

Wednesday 23rd July 2025





ON THE BIG STAGE!

On Monday evening children from our school choir took part in the TPAT Showcase Musical at the Hall for Cornwall to perform a watery medley of 4 songs! We sang ours alongside Newlyn and Pensans. Schools from across the trust took part and for our medley they were accompanied by Arthur on the ukulele. They were all absolutely exceptional! A big thank you to Miss Christine Judge and to the children representing our school!



Skeleton Island



Mousehole Flood Resilience

Construction work to start in July

The Environment Agency's contractor, Kier, will be undertaking essential flood resilience work in Mousehole starting this summer.

We have scheduled work over the summer holidays, whilst the school is closed, to minimise disruption to the children's learning. The Environment Agency and Kier have worked very closely with the school whilst planning the programme.

The work will be confined to the Mousehole school playground, but our compound will be to the south of Paul, off Mousehole Lane and there will be some traffic between the two locations.

Key Dates - We will be setting up the compound from 30th June. Work will commence at Mousehole school W/C 21st July, and we expect it to complete this winter.

Nature of the work - We will be excavating for the culvert which runs under the playground so will have an excavator and dumpers in operation, diesel generators will be used at the school and in the compound. While works have been designed to minimise noise e.g. by using quiet generators, some noise is unavoidable.

Working hours - 08:00 - 17:30, Monday to Friday.

If you have questions about the works, please contact:

Mark Lunn - Kier Project Manager: Mark.Lunn@kier.co.uk

You can find out more information about improving Flood Resilience in Mousehole on Gov.uk by searching for 'Mousehole Flood Resilience' or by scanning this QR code:





Online Safety Newsletter

July 2025

ZEPETO

ZEPETO has an age rating of over 13. Users create their own avatars and can design rooms. ZEPETO is a social networking app and therefore users can chat with others. Due to the communication option, there are the usual risks, such as your child seeing inappropriate content or online bullying. In-App purchases are also available on this platform.

Parental controls are not available, but a user can change some settings within privacy and content settings, for example to change who can direct message you.

ZEPETO have published a Guardian's guide here:
<https://support.zepeto.me/hc/en-us/articles/900005874946-ZEPETO-Guardian-s-Guide>

Sprunki

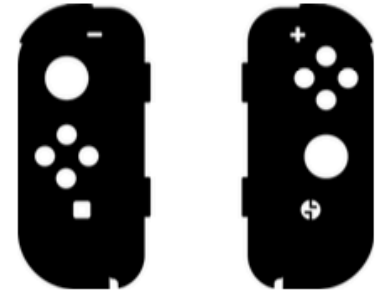
Is your child playing Sprunki? If they are, there are several versions of this game, so it is important to check which version they are playing and to then check its suitability for your child. For example, one version states:

"WARNING: This game contains disturbing images and scenes of explicit violence and gore".

Find out more here:
<https://www.esafety.gov.au/key-topics/esafety-guide/sprunki>

Nintendo Switch 2

The Nintendo Switch 2 was released last month and has a new communication feature that you should be aware of.



GameChat – NEW

GameChat is included within a Nintendo Switch Online membership and allows up to 12 people to chat while playing games. Players can share their screen, even if they are playing different games, chat with the built-in microphone and as the Nintendo Switch 2 allows cameras to be connected (sold separately), even video chat. If your child is using this feature, then ensure they know how to report other users.

You can find out more here: <https://www.nintendo.com/en-gb/Hardware/Nintendo-Switch-2/GameChat/Nintendo-Switch-2-GameChat-2785625.html>

Parental Controls

There is a free Nintendo Switch Parental Controls app that can be linked with your Nintendo Switch to monitor what your child is playing. The app creates a report so you can see which video games your child is playing and for how long. It also allows you to set which games your child can play, based on the PEGI age rating and restricts your child from sending or receiving messages from other users. GameChat settings can also be adjusted. Children under the age of 15 can only use GameChat if allowed by you through the app. They can then only use GameChat with people that you approve. Find out more here: <https://www.nintendo.com/en-gb/Support/Nintendo-Switch-2/How-to-Set-Up-Adjust-or-Remove-Parental-Controls-on-Nintendo-Switch-2-2843839.html>

Check age ratings

PEGI provides age classifications for video games. PEGI considers the age suitability of a game, not the level of difficulty. It is important to note that PEGI do not take into consideration user generated content within games (such as on Roblox) and chat facilities within games. <https://pegi.info/>

Further information

<https://www.ceopeducation.co.uk/parents/articles/gaming/>

Would you like to read this newsletter in a different language? You can use the translate tool on our web version: <https://www.knowsleycitylearningcentres.org.uk/primary-july-2025/>

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Online Challenges

According to Ofcom's latest Children's Media Use and Attitudes report "funny videos or those showing pranks or challenges continue to be the most popular type of VSP (video-sharing platforms) content for children, watched by 68% of 3-17-year-olds who watch videos." [source - <https://www.ofcom.org.uk/media-use-and-attitudes/media-habits-children/children-and-parents-media-use-and-attitudes-report-2025>]

If your child is watching this type of content, then you need to chat to them regularly, particularly about online challenges and the risks that they can pose. **There are challenges online that are risky/dangerous.** Sadly, there are reports that children have died as a consequence of attempting online challenges.

Children may not yet have developed the skills and ability to critically analyse that what they see online is not always safe for them to replicate. Make sure your child knows that they should talk to you (or another trusted adult) if they are thinking about trying something that they have seen online.

If your child has not heard about an online challenge, then do not draw attention to it as this may lead to them searching for it out of curiosity, so just talk about challenges in a general sense. Furthermore, reassure your child that challenges that suggest that terrible things will happen if they do not complete the tasks are not real.

The following link will provide you with further information as well as content to help you talk to your child:
<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/online-challenges-guide/>



Is your child moving to Secondary school?

Is your child moving to Secondary school this September? Internet Matters have outlined a number of tools and resources, including a Transition Parent Guide to help support you:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/moving-to-secondary-school-online-safety-guide/>

Conversation Starter

Are you struggling to start a conversation with your child about online safety? Why not try discussing this scenario with them. What would they do and how would you help them?

Amira and her classmates have a WhatsApp group. One evening, Amira notices that some group members are sharing unkind jokes and memes about another student, Leo, who isn't part of the group. The messages start as playful but quickly turn mean-spirited. Amira feels uncomfortable but isn't sure what to do. So, what should Amira do?

First, Amira should **not join in** with the mean messages. Then, although difficult, she could **speak up** in the group by saying something kind like: "Let's not be mean. This isn't fair to Leo." Finally, she should **tell a trusted adult**.

Discuss how group chats should be fun for *everyone*, not a place to hurt others. Emphasise that being part of a group chat means we all have a responsibility to keep it respectful. If you see something that doesn't feel right, like Amira did, it's okay to speak up or talk to a trusted adult. Remind your child that they won't be punished if they tell you something like this.

Remember, even if Leo doesn't see the messages, **it's still wrong to be unkind**. Real legends lift each other up — they don't tear others down.

Omegle (and similar platforms)

Whilst the original Omegle no longer exists, there is now Ome.tv, other Omegle copycat sites as well as other sites with a similar concept. **We cannot stress enough that these sites should not be accessed by children due to the potential content and language used, which can be explicit.** As an example, Ome.tv connects you randomly to **other people via video chat** from across the world. Ome.tv does state that it **should only be used by adults**.

You can find out more information about Chat apps, including 'randomised chat forums' here:
<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/social-media/chat-apps/>



Fun Dog Show and BBQ

13 July 2025



Organised by the Lamorna Village Hall
Committee



Trethinnick Field Lamorna 2.30pm

Each class is 50p per entry

Please bring cash

Prizes for the winners

Please keep all dogs on leads (and bring bags for mess!)

Bring your own drinks

Meat and Veggie BBQ food available



Find our show in Lamorna Valley

Turn into Lamorna Valley, towards the cove.

On the right-hand side you will see a large field sloping down to the road. It belongs to Trethinnick House. You can enter through the gate and park at the bottom of the field.

Prizes for:

Loveliest Lady Dog

Most Gorgeous Gent Dog

Best Veteran (ages 7+)

Best Look-a-Like

Waggiest Tail

Musical Sits

Egg (tangerine!) and spoon race

Best Biscuit Catcher

Best Young Handler (under 18)



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Summer Reading Challenge

Delivered in partnership with libraries

2025



Starts Sat
July 5th

Story Garden

Adventures in Nature and the Great Outdoors



FREE summer fun! Earn rewards, a certificate and a medal. It's a fun free way to help children keep up their reading over the summer. It's open to children 4-11 of all abilities – there are resources for those with dyslexia and visual impairment – just ask! Pop into your local library to sign up!



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activities for children
to inspire and motivate
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Pop Up Holiday Camps through August

Softball Cricket

For children aged 8-13 years old

- **Activity Days**
- **Competitions**



SCAN HERE

**8 days of softball activity - £20
per child. 10am to 3pm**

Weds 6th Aug - Truro CC

Thurs 7th Aug - Callington CC

Mon 11th Aug - Mt Hawke CC

Weds 13th Aug - St Austell CC

Mon 18th Aug - Grampound Rd CC

Weds 20th Aug - Helston CC

Weds 27th Aug - Bude CC

Thurs 28th Aug - St Stephen CC

**4 Tuesdays of U11 softball
competition (Includes U13
Girls). Teams of six £30.
10am to 3pm**

Tues 5th Aug - Redruth CC

Tues 12th Aug - Werrington CC

Tue 19th Aug - Wadebridge CC

Tues 26th Aug - Penzance CC

**Contact Michelle Kent: admin@cornwallcricket.co.uk
www.cornwallcricket.co.uk**



WE ARE SELLING CARDS IN AID OF THE RESTORATION PROJECT AT:



Rock Pool Cafe

The Old Coastguard Hotel

Mousehole Deli & Kitchen

South Quay Car Park

Four Teas Cafe

and Perfect Pictures in Penzance

Prices are

Medium size (with envelope) £2.50

Large size (with envelope) £3.00

Email: friendsofmouseholerockpool@gmail.com

Charity No 1206064

Are you a parent worried about your child's needs being met?

Drop in to St Johns Hall, Penzance, for coffee morning hosted by Early Help Penwith. Children welcome.

Wednesday 16th July 9:30-11:30

Meet with other parents and have a chat with our friendly guest professionals from:

Sendiass – supporting SEND children in school

PINS – supporting neurodiverse children in school

Children's Disability Team – supporting the needs of children with disabilities

School Nursing – supporting health needs including toileting

Plus, information on free workshops for parents.



No need to book, please just pop in on the day 😊



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