



"I owe everything I am and everything I will ever be to books." – Gary Paulsen

Dear Parents and Carers,

So lovely to see the sun again this week! Let's hope it continues for a short while.

On Tuesday, we welcomed the awesome and inspiring poet Matt Windle into Dobwalls. A truly inspiring day full of poetry. Matt was fantastic, sharing his amazing poetry writing skills with passion and creativity. Matt was the Birmingham Poet Laureate 16/18 and Young Poet Laureate 07/08 and the Commonwealth Boxing Champion 22/23! During the day, he led an excellent assembly for Year 2 up encouraging and challenging children to think about their futures which was interactive filled poetry, music, freestyle rapping and more! It was loved by one and all and demonstrated that we are all poets! Children in classes Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 have written poems which they will be learning to perform on National Poetry Day next week.

On Monday, we look forward to our SMART Trust Primary Arts day for children in Years 4, 5 and 6. They will be engaging in a range of arts activities in Liskeard Town Hall and visiting other locations in the afternoon. We'll share more next week!

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Best wishes (Gorhemynadow a'n gwella).

Mrs Pipe, Headteacher



Please check!

Our library is looking somewhat depleted at the moment. Could we please ask you to check to see if any have been inadvertently left at home? They can so easily be overlooked, so please could you check the inside cover for our stamp or that of Cornwall Libraries and return any you find to the school office? Thank you Also if you have any good quality children's books that you would be happy to donate towards our library, we would be very grateful.

DOUGHNUTS AND HOT CHOCOLATE—3RD OCTOBER—SEE P3

Thursday Running Club—Juniors

A lunch running club will be 'running' as from next week! No need to book but if your child would like to take part, please send them in with their trainers on the day. Our Cross-Country teams will be selected from class daily miles & lunchtime running club.



Change of Menu

Thursday 2nd October (school census day) will be the firm favourite—Fish Fingers! The following day will be lasagne.

Healthy Snacks

We have seen a few unhealthy snacks sneaking in to school. We have always tried to encourage healthy eating and are very lucky to have free fruit provided for all infant children for their morning break. Junior children are also welcome to bring in a snack but in an effort to encourage all children to eat a healthy snack, we ask that only fruit, vegetables or another healthy alternative be provided (unwrapped) in a suitable, named container. Obviously this is subject to individual dietary requirements and our 'no nuts' policy, but we would appreciate your support in providing healthy food. Apart from 'Treat Friday!' Please see our school snack guide on P4 which is displayed around the school for the children to refer to.



Last week's SECRET Skills Powerful Learners

Fowey	Juno & Reggie B	Tamar	Logan & Thomas
Loveny	Xena & Scott	Lynher	Amelia B & Freya-Rose
Valency	Teddy D & Imogen	Camel	Danny & Ava

Diary Dates

29 Sept	Christmas Art Day
2 Oct	Y3 Wild Tribe
6 Oct	Y2 Trip to Dartmoor
16 Oct	Harvest Foodbank collection
7 Oct	Photographer in School—Individual photos
8 Oct	Governor meeting
9 Oct	Y2 Wild Tribe
16 Oct	Y1 Wild Tribe
	PTFA Disco
20-31 Oct	HALF TERM
6 Nov	Open Evening New Intake 2026 4-6pm
10 Nov	Odd Socks Day
13 Nov	Nasal Flu immunisations
18 & 19 Nov	Parent/teacher meetings after school
17-19 Nov	Book Fair
21 Nov	Non-pupil day
1 Dec	Governor meeting
10 Dec	Infant Xmas perf 2pm school hall
11 Dec	Infant Xmas perf 9:30am school hall
	Junior Xmas concert 6pm at Carnglaze
19 Dec	Children finish at 1:30pm
20 Dec—5 Jan	CHRISTMAS BREAK
26 Jan	Governor meeting
16-20 Feb	HALF TERM
23 Feb	Non-pupil day
5 Mar	World Book Day
9-20 Mar	Y3 & Y5 swimming lessons
16 Mar	Governor meeting
23 Mar	Photographer in school—teams/classes
3-17 Apr	EASTER BREAK
4 May	BANK HOLIDAY
11-14 May	KS2 SATS week
13 May	Governor meeting
25-29 May	HALF TERM
1 Jun	Non-pupil day
22 Jun	Governor meeting
24-26 Jun	Y6 Residential
24 Jul	Children finish at 1:30pm
27&28 Jul	Non-pupil days
29 Jul	SUMMER BREAK

PE Kits Please see our [website](#) for uniform reminders.

PE Days

Children will need to come to school dressed in their PE kit on PE days.

Long hair should be tied back. Please wear their usual school jumper/ cardigan.

Monday	Y2 & Y3
Tuesday	Y5
Wednesday	Y1
Thursday	Y4
Friday	EYFS & Y6

A reminder of the school PE Kit...

Black shorts/leggings/skorts with plain coloured t-shirt (team colours) or white t-shirt and plimsolls/trainers. (No team football kits, running gear or other attire should be worn for P.E. or after school clubs unless specified by the teacher in charge of that club.)

During the winter, plain black leggings or jogging bottoms may be worn for outdoor games.

Attendance Stars

Lerryn	Fowey	Loveny	Valency	Tamar	Lynher	Camel
96%	94%	92%	90%	95%	91%	97%



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Star Learners

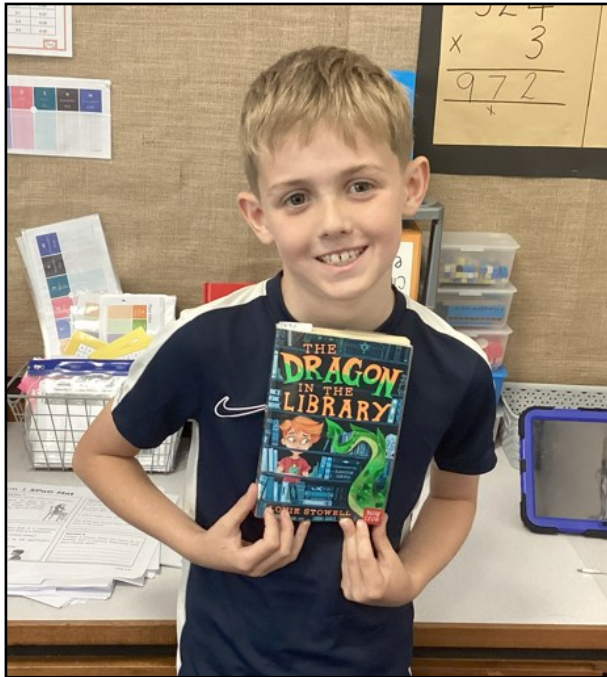


Star Learners this week are from Y4. Tamar Class had a fantastic trip to 'The Box' in Plymouth last Thursday. The children handled historical artefacts, worked together as a team of detectives to uncover stories from people who experienced the Blitz and explored the impact of the war on Plymouth. They even got time to see other fascinating exhibits on display around the museum - especially Mildred the Mammoth!



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Dobwalls School Recommends



The Dragon in the Library
By Louie Stowell
Recommended
By Alfie Y4



I recommend 'The Dragon in the Library'. By Louie Stowell. Although I have only just started reading this book, I am really enjoying the story of Kit and her friends. Their library is closed so they go to a new one but unfortunately it just doesn't contain books!!

DOBWALLS SCHOOL PTF&A

DOUGHNUTS AND HOT CHOCOLATE AFTER SCHOOL FRIDAY 3RD OCTOBER 50P EACH!

Trago

HALLOWEEN

TICKETS £5 per child

10% OFF AT THE KEG & KETTLE RESTAURANT FOR TICKET HOLDERS

15% OFF ARTS & CRAFTS INSTORE FOR TICKET HOLDERS

HARTRIDGE'S HAUNTED WOOD

Friday 31st October • 10am - 4pm

PLEASE WEAR SUITABLE WINTER CLOTHING & FOOTWEAR. The trail is actively monitored throughout the weekend at the lodge.

© Hartridge's Wood (At the far end of the East Carpark, buy tickets at Hartridge's Pantry)

HALLOWEEN TRAIL IN THE WOODS
FOR ALL OF OUR VISITORS THERE WILL BE A REAL PUMPKIN TO COLLECT AT HOME

WITCHY STORIES OVER A CAULDRON AT HARTRIDGE'S LODGE
INCLUDES PUMPKIN SEEDS TO TAKE HOME

'LONG LEGS' & 'SMALL BUBBLES' HALLOWEEN CRAFT ACTIVITIES

ENJOY A TOASTED MARSHMALLOW AT THE LODGE!

FACEPAINTING

FANCY DRESS COMPETITION

WARM YOUR BONES WITH A HOT CHOCOLATE
FROM THE LODGE OR HARTRIDGE'S PANTRY

Let's Be Healthy at Dobwalls

Monday – Thursday: healthy snacks only. Fruit, vegetables, cheeses, yoghurts. No nuts or wheat containing products.

Friday – treat day! Any snack you like.



School Snack Guide

Dobwalls Community Primary School



It's Friday!
Treat yourself!!

HEALTHY FOOD = HEALTHY BRAIN



Poster design by Scarlet

WANT THE BEST FOR YOUR CHILD?

Kids Matter is a free, friendly group for anyone with children aged 1-10 years. We discuss how to build strong families and help our kids do their best in life.



During the 6 weeks, we cover the following:

- Taster – Come and see what it's like to be in a Kids Matter group
 - Session 1 – Building a strong family
 - Session 2 – Loving our children well
 - Session 3 – Play, encouragement and listening
 - Session 4 – Routines and rewards
 - Session 5 – Family rules and consequences
 - Session 6 – The bigger picture
 - Booster – Checking in 3 months later
- Every session will have tea and cake and a free crèche.

Kids Matter will be running for 6 weeks for parents and carers in your area soon!
For more information contact:

Registered charity in England & Wales 1163617

Caradon Family Worker Drop-Ins at Dobwalls Primary School

Book in for a confidential appointment if you would like any parenting advice. Wide range of topics covered. Pop along for a chat and a cuppa!



Drop-In Sessions:

On: Monday 6th October 2025, afternoon
In: Rainbow Room, Dobwalls Primary

To book at 30 minute slot, please contact:

secretary@cornwall.sch.uk



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Together for Families



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Parents get together

At:
On:
Time:
Contact:

REGISTERED CHARITY IN ENGLAND AND WALES 1163617

100% Success in the 2025 National Year 1 Phonics Check

Starting school in September 2026?
Come along and see us here at Dobwalls

Open Evening

Thursday 6th November
Drop in anytime between 4pm - 6pm

For more information:
Call: 01579 320527
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