



"It is not true that we have only one life to live; if we can read, we can live as many more lives and as many kinds of lives as we wish." – S.I. Hayakawa

Dear Parents and Carers,

Monday started with a fantastic announcement and mood in the hall as Ed from Liskeard Library visited us to share the summer reading challenge certificates. There was great suspense as we counted each certificate individually aiming to beat last years total of 50. 1, 2, 3 skip a few and our grand total this year was 54! We did it! Huge well done to everyone who took the time to complete the challenge. Massive thank you too to you as parents and carers, without your support it simply would not happen so THANK YOU!

On Monday, Year 2 visited Dartmoor Zoo. They enjoyed workshops led by zoo staff where they learnt about different habitats in Africa from rainforests, deserts, coastal and grasslands and the animals that inhabit those areas. They also had a close encounter with a blue tongue lizard from Australia and a tropical stick insect!

This week, is British Dyslexia Awareness week. On Monday, Mr Spencer led an assembly to raise the awareness. On Wednesday, we held a No Pens Wednesday where all classes took part in a range of learning activities without writing with a pen/pencil! Year 6 were excited as they prepared their news reports, taking their roles very seriously!

October is national Black history Month. Last Friday, children in Year 2 upwards all joined a live assembly led by Swarzy from BBC. The assembly explored this year's theme, 'Standing Firm in Power and Pride'. Within non-fiction reading lessons over the month, children will be reading about significant people in history.

Next week, we look forward to our first Toasty Tuesday for the year raising money for The Screech Owl Sanctuary. This was decided democratically by the children following nominations from every class. It was such a hard decision. We look forward to supporting this local charity over the year.

We also look forward to our harvest assembly within school - all donations for the Foodbank gratefully received.

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Best wishes (Gorhemynadow a'n gwella).

Mrs Pipe, Headteacher

Diary Dates

14 Oct	Toasty Tuesday
16 Oct	Y1 Wild Tribe
	PTFA Disco
17 Oct	Harvest Foodbank collection
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
	Xmas Wreath making in school hall
1 Dec	Governor meeting
10 Dec	Infant Xmas perf 2pm school hall
	Infant Xmas perf 9:30am school hall
11 Dec	Junior Xmas concert 6pm at Carnglaze
18 Dec	PTFA Xmas Fayre
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
12 Mar	Johnny Cowling evening
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

Message from The Library Service

Please be aware of a set of children's books—the series Spy Dogs/Pups and Spy Cat books written by Andrew Cope. These books contain a link to a website which contains highly inappropriate content. Links in the books have been compromised and we strongly advise you not to encourage your child to read these books.



PTFA Disco

The PTFA Disco is on 16th October. Tickets are on sale (£3) from the school office.



Foodbank Harvest Collections

We will be collecting food for the local Foodbank again this year. If you can spare any non-perishable items, please drop them into the office area on or a few days before 17th October. See P3 for items they are short of. Thank you



Doughnuts and Hot Chocolate

Thank you to everyone who came along for the Doughnuts and Hot Chocolate last week. The PTFA raised £75.95

Last week's SECRET Skills Powerful Learners

Fowey	Hallie H & Leonardo	Tamar	Ella & Natalia
Loveny	Erin & Albert	Lynher	Amelia D & Ruben
Valency	Emilie & Neveah	Camel	Oliver & Jude

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.)

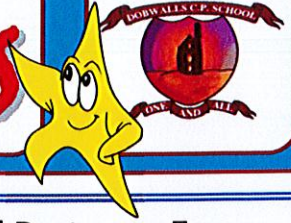
During the winter, plain black leggings or jogging bottoms may be worn for outdoor games.



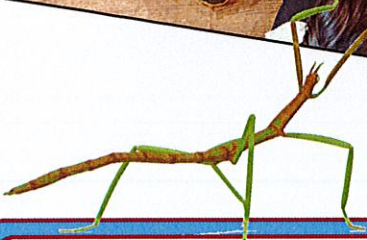
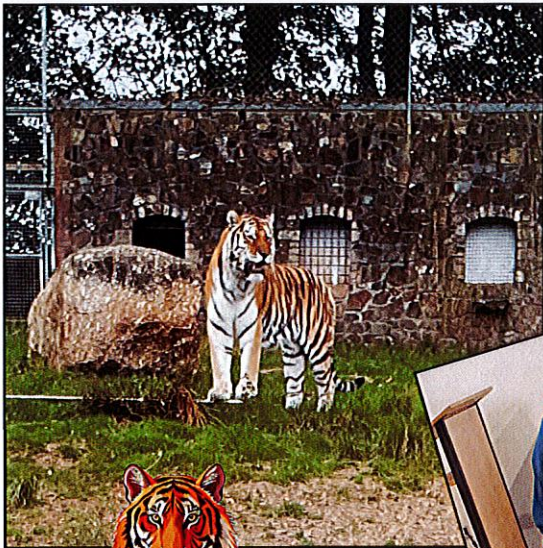
Attendance Stars

Lerryn	Fowey	Loveny	Valency	Tamar	Lynher	Camel
93%	87%	94%	99%	96%	91%	96%





Star Learners this week are from Y2. On Monday, Loveny Class visited Dartmoor Zoo as part of their topic titled, 'Going on Safari'. They enjoyed workshops led by zoo staff where they learnt about different habitats in Africa from Rainforests, deserts, coastal and grasslands and the animals that inhabit those areas. They also had a close encounter with a blue tongue lizard from Australia and a tropical stick insect!



DONATE FOOD

Our foodbank relies on your goodwill and support.

Over 90% of the food distributed by foodbanks in The Trussell Trust network is donated by the public – that's why your food donations are absolutely vital to our ability to give everyone referred to us a balanced and nutritious three day supply of food.

Urgently needed food items

1 ltr UHT Milk
Deodorant
Tinned fruit
Tea or coffee
Tinned veg

We've got plenty of

Bottles of Squash
Baked beans
Tena pads



Typical Foodbank parcel





The Mental Health Support Team warmly invite you to attend...

Wild Wellbeing

During October half term MHST, in collaboration with Natural England, Cornwall Wildlife Trust and National Trust, would like you to join us on a FREE Halloween Wild Wellbeing session at various locations across Cornwall.

This is for parents and children aged 5-12 in Cornwall to help understand and support emotional and mental wellbeing. Please book EACH child on to a session

Sessions available at:

- Golitha Falls - Tuesday 28 October
- Lanhydrock - Wednesday 29 October
- Dipping Pond, Goss Moor - Thursday 30 October
- Tehidy Woods - Friday 31 October

*Free parking at all sites

Activities will last approx. 2 hours
Please feel free to drop in from 10am, activities end at 1pm

To request a place, complete the online form or scan the QR code provided:
<https://forms.office.com/e/fwtSJ59Cuv>



Follow us on Facebook for updates and upcoming events:
[Cornwall Mental Health Support Team \(MHST\)](#)





Dobwalls Community Primary School



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
www.dobwalls.net



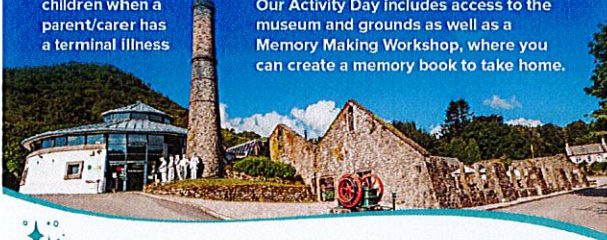
Activity Day

with Memory Making Workshop
at Wheal Martyn

Sun, 2 November 11am - 3pm

For families with children when a parent/carer has a terminal illness

Come and join us!
Our Activity Day includes access to the museum and grounds as well as a Memory Making Workshop, where you can create a memory book to take home.



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Extra Support this Christmas

We know how tough things can be when a parent or carer is facing a terminal illness — especially around the holidays.

That's why we've extended our Crisis Fund to offer shopping vouchers for a range of retailers, helping families with children prepare for Christmas.

Whether it's gifts, food, or essentials - don't go without this year. We're here to help.



APPLY USING THE QR CODE

#ChristmasSupport #CrisisFund
#FamilySupport #YouAreNotAlone

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HALLOWEEN FUN AND AGM

SUN
26TH
OCT

AT ST BLAZEY FAMILY HUB

11AM
TO
2PM



Magician, music & crafts
BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL

Christmas PARTY

December 14th | 11am to 2pm

St Erme Community Centre

Enchanting magic show

Hands-on Christmas crafts

Music to get everyone in the spirit

Plus, Santa himself will make a special appearance bringing a gift for every child!



SCAN QR CODE FOR FULL DETAILS

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Toasty Tuesday

Tuesday 14th October



SCREECH
OWL SANCTUARY
& ANIMAL PARK

40p



In aid of
The Owl Sanctuary



Rights Respecting - Article 12 – respect for children's views
charity chosen by the children at Dobwalls

DOBWALLS SCHOOL PTFA K-POP

DISCO PARTY

THURSDAY 16TH OCTOBER

INFANTS 5-6PM
JUNIORS 6.15-7.15

£3

SNACKS 20-40P
GLOW STICKS 20P EACH
OR 3 FOR 50P

THE CORNWALL LOCAL PLAN: PLANNING TO 2050

We're creating a plan for what Cornwall can become in the next 20 years.

It's all about finding ways to treasure what's important to you, while shaping places that can thrive in our changing world.

With your help, we'll shape the rules for local planning across Cornwall.

JOIN US AT A LOCAL PLAN DROP IN SESSION!

LOCAL PLAN DROP IN: LISKEARD
Tue 14 Oct 4pm - 7pm
Liskerrett Community Centre
tickettailor.com/events/creativekernowcornwallcouncil



CREATIVE KERNOW CORNWALL COUNCIL

MONTHLY DROP-INS

Refreshments provided

Edward Hain Centre, St Ives
Third Tuesday of every month 2pm to 4pm

St Austell Library
Third Friday of every month 10am to 12pm

Launceston Health Hub
Second Wednesday of every month 10am to 12pm

Open to families looking for support or anyone wishing to find out more about our services.
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