

Newsletter
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Dobwalls C P School



“There are many little ways to enlarge your child’s world. Love of books is the best of all.” – Jacqueline Kennedy

Dear Parents and Carers,

Monday started with great excitement as Reverend Mark kicked off the week with a super 'stir' up assembly! Not only did we learn and remember the Christmas story message but also how to make a Christmas pudding! Also on Monday, 30 children created lanterns for the Liskeard Lights Up Parade on Saturday evening. Big thank you to local artist Mark who spent the day teaching and working with the children. Everyone worked so hard and used so many SECRET skills to 'get involved', 'go for it finish it' and 'use their imagination' to create brilliant lanterns! They were all so focussed and really creative, a brilliant day. We look forward to the parade tomorrow evening in Liskeard.

On Tuesday, the day started with a lovely Coffee Morning and thank you to over 20 parents/carers who attended. Children in Lerryn sang when Santa got stuck up the chimney and Fowey shared a poem brilliantly! After, the next Toasty Tuesday filled the school with the smell of delicious toast once again! We have raised a further £55 for The Owl Sanctuary bringing our current total to £130. The School Council have also met this week and have ideas ready for the new year to raise further money.

Today, our festive decorations have begun with a Christmas Art day. When you come into school for our Christmas events, you'll be able to see a range of displays focussed on the artist Roy Lichenstein!

Wishing you a lovely weekend.
Best wishes (Gorhemynadow a'n gwella).
Mrs Pipe, Headteacher

PTFA Christmas Fair

Please can children bring a small bag or reusable carrier to carry their purchases!

Next week is the last week for clubs. There will be **no clubs w/c 8th Dec**

Christmas Events

Tickets are still available from the school office for both Infant and Juniors performances.

- 1 Dec **Xmas wreath making**—enquire at school office
- 3 Dec **Carol singing**—singing club will be going around the village singing carols. 3:30-4:30pm
Route map on P4
- 11 Dec **Day for Change**. Please send in any loose change with your children. We will be attempting to create a mile of change on our daily mile track. We will send the amount collected to Save the Children.
- 16 Dec **Xmas parties and Xmas lunch** (Party clothes/Xmas jumpers)
- 18 Dec **PTFA Xmas Fayre** (Xmas jumpers), **Xmas Bake Off** see P4
- 19 Dec 1:30pm finish

We will not be supporting Xmas Jumper Day this year as funds from the Day for Change will be going to UNICEF UNICEF UK - Children's charity - For Every Child. Instead children can wear Xmas jumpers/party clothes on Xmas lunch day/party day and Xmas jumpers (with school uniform) on the day of the Xmas Fayre.



Memorial Hall Parking dates

We have had notification from the Memorial Hall that due to bookings, parking will not be available as follows:

- Dec 10 — No parking before 2:45 pm
- Dec 11 — No parking after 9am

There will however be parking available for the Xmas Fayre on 18th Dec and again on Friday 19th to accommodate the early finish. Please be respectful of the above times as the Memorial Hall committee have a duty to honour bookings and provide parking. As always, please park safely and sensibly.



Last week's SECRET Skills Powerful Learners

Lerryn	Madison & Fern	Tamar	Ella-Rae & Leo G
Fowey	Hallie B-H & Juno	Lynher	Albion & Oliver G
Loveny	Hendrix & Jasmine	Camel	Evelyn & Koen
Valency	Delilah & Harvey		



Diary Dates

1 Dec	Xmas Wreath making in school hall Governor meeting
4 Dec	Y4 trip to Bodmin recycling centre
10 Dec	Infant Xmas perf 2pm school hall
11 Dec	Y3 Wild Tribe
	Day For Change
	Infant Xmas perf 9:30am school hall Junior Xmas concert 6pm at Carrglaze
16 Dec	Christmas parties
	Pupil Xmas lunch
18 Dec	Y2 Wild Tribe
	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



Liskeard Lights Up Parade

The Parade sets off from 5:30pm. At 5:50pm there is musical entertainment outside Webbs hotel and the Christmas lights will be turned on. At approximately 6:30pm there is a short circus performance from Rainbow circus CIC at the Cattle Market Canopy.

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
98%	91%	93%	99%	91%	89%	98%





Star Learners this week are from Y2 and Y3.

In Loveny Class, they've been reading *Jim and the Beanstalk* during English. They've had fun making predictions, thinking about what the characters might be feeling, and even creating their own rhymes. Using everything they've learned from the story, they put together a sequencing thinking frame to help us retell the story in our own words! Take a look at Joel and Rosie's work—they worked in partnership to retell their story. Well done Joel, Rosie and Loveny Class!

Jim climbs the beanstalk.

The size and old giant inside Jim is.

The giant caught his net.

Jim measured the giant's head for some glasses.

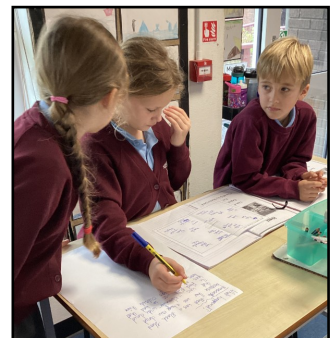
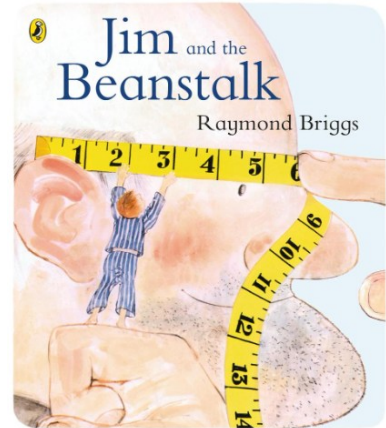
The giant gets his new flow glasses and puts his pretty boots.

Jim measured the giant's head for some boots.

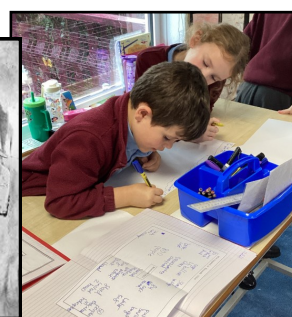
Jim starts to make glasses for his father's head.

The giant says my dinner is in the room of the giant.

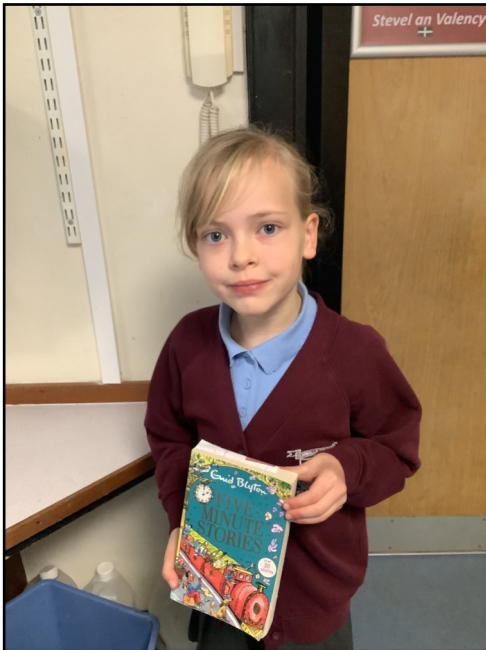
DEER JIM Thank you for the teeth and the head into the body and your feet.



In Valency class they have been learning about rivers. They have researched different rivers in the UK, identified the different features and focussed on the Boscastle flood case study of 2004. This related to their non-fiction writing where they created a detailed explanation text. They also looked at abstract art and created their own pictures in the style of the artist Matisse. Well done Valency Class!



Dobwalls School Recommends



Five Minute Stories

By Enid Blyton

Recommended

By Madeleine Y3



The stories are good and only take 5 minutes to read. You don't even have to read them in order which makes it even better. I think anyone in key stage 2 would enjoy this book.

Reading Rocks has provided a Christmas Reading Advent Calendar. Behind each window you can meet authors and illustrators and maybe discover exciting new books. Use this link to access the calendar

[Christmas reading Advent 2025 - Reading Rocks](#)



WORLD BOOK DAY

Classroom Advent Calendar 2025

Open your first window Monday Dec 1st

Day 1 Mon Dec 1st Open window	Day 2 Tues Dec 2nd Open window	Day 3 Weds Dec 3rd Open window	Day 4 Thurs Dec 4th Open window	Day 5 Fri Dec 4th Open window
Day 6 Mon Dec 8th Open window	Day 7 Tues Dec 9th Open window	Day 8 Weds Dec 10th Open window	Day 9 Thurs Dec 11th Open window	Day 10 Fri Dec 12th Open window
Day 11 Mon Dec 15th Open window	Day 12 Tues Dec 16th Open window	Day 13 Weds Dec 17th Open window	Day 14 Thurs Dec 18th Open window	Day 15 Fri Dec 19th Open window



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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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
For families with children when a parent/carers has a terminal illness. FREE

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CORNWALL & DEVON
School Age Immunisation Service
Provided by Kernow Health CIC

School aged vaccinations

Did you know children will be offered these routine vaccinations at school?

- ✓ FLU - Reception - Year 11
- ✓ MMR - Catch-up
- ✓ HPV - Year 8 - Year 11
- ✓ Meningitis ACWY - Year 9 - Year 11
- ✓ Diphtheria, Tetanus, Polio (DTP) Year 9 - Year 11

FLU

MMR

HPV

MENINGITIS
ACWY

DIPHTHERIA
TETANUS
POLIO (DTP)

Did you miss us?

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- ✓ Home educated children
- ✓ Anxious children
- ✓ Children who missed the session at school

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Kernowhealthcic.schoolimmunisation@nhs.net

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MONDAY 15th & WEDNESDAY 17th

CARADON YOUTH THEATRE

Charles Dickens'

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

Music by
ALAN MENKEN

Lyrics by
LYNN AHRENS

Book by
MIKE OCKRENT &
LYNN AHRENS

**LISKEARD
PUBLIC HALL**

Mon 15th - Sun 21st
DECEMBER

TICKETS
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