



“A house without books is like a room without windows.” – Heinrich Mann

Dear Parents and Carers,
In recent days, I was incredibly honoured and proud to have received an email from the Education Secretary, celebrating the achievements of disadvantaged pupils here at Dobwalls. It reflects all the hard work and dedication of our staff, pupils and support from you as parents/carers. Go Team Dobwalls! We truly believe in one and all, believing in ourselves and others and that every child deserves education and opportunity. We are privileged to be part of such a special community.

A message from Bridget Phillipson



Dear Kathryn,

Congratulations to you and your team on the excellent outcomes the disadvantaged pupils at Dobwalls Community Primary School achieved at the end of the 2024/25 academic year. Your school's performance places it among the very best nationally, and this is a significant achievement.

Thank you to parents/carers in Tamar Class (Y4) who came along on Monday afternoon to learn about times tables with their children! Tamar sang a times table song then shared some of the ways they learn times tables in the classroom. **SECRET** skill of 'sharing our learning' in action! Well done Tamar! On Tuesday afternoon, we welcomed Tom from Healthy Cornwall. Tom led a workshop with all children in Year 3 and Year 4 focussed on healthy eating and the impact on our bodies. The children were able to taste a range of healthy foods. It was brilliant to see them tasting new foods - some they liked and others not so! Beetroot and kiwi were indeed a couple of the divisive ones! On Wednesday, we welcomed in Year 6 parents who came along to Mr Frame's maths event! Our Y6's proudly demonstrated their amazing maths skills and definitely caused a few scratching heads amongst parents! Thank you for coming along and joining in!

Don't forget, next Tuesday is our School Council Owl themed Bake Off. All proceeds for The Screech Owl Sanctuary - our children's chosen charity for this year.

Best wishes (Gorhemynadow a'n gwella). Mrs Pipe, Headteacher

Nut Free School

Just a reminder that we are a nut free school. Please do not provide your child with nuts for snack or in their lunch boxes. Please check the ingredients before they items come in to school — things are so easy to miss. Nutella is delicious but full of Hazelnuts! Thank you for checking.

Last week's SECRET Skills Powerful Learners

Lerryn	Luna & George	Tamar	Kaja & Natalia
Fowey	Emily & Hallie H	Lynher	Skylar & Brooklyn
Loveny	Jasmine & Ruby	Camel	Oliver & Gracie
Valency	Eddie & Jack		

Diary Dates

5 Feb	Y5 Wild Tribe
12 Feb	Y6 Wild Tribe
16-20 Feb	HALF TERM
23 Feb	Non-pupil day
5 Mar	St Pirans Day
6 Mar	World Book Day
19 Mar	Johnny Cowling evening (adults only!)
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



PTFA Disco

The PTFA Disco is on 12th February—see P5 for details. Tickets will be on sale (£3) from Monday 2nd February from the school office.

Bake Sale in aid of The Screech Owl (Kowan) Sanctuary— Tuesday 3rd February

We know Dobwalls loves to bake and can't wait for the bake sale!

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

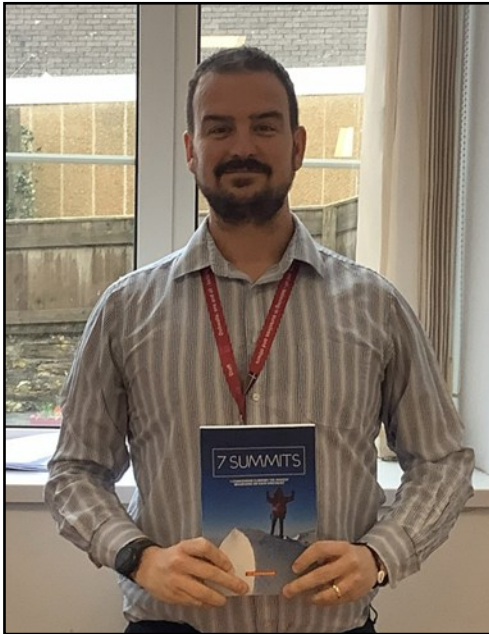
Lerryn	Fowey	Loveny	Valency	Tamar	Lynher	Camel
90%	97%	95%	96%	97%	96%	95%



Star Learners this week are from Y3. Valency Class have been learning about the Stone Age. They have learnt many interesting facts, which they used to write a report about a day in the life of a Stone Age person. With Mr Jones, the children created Stone Age tools using natural resources found in the Wild Tribe area. In art lessons, the children made their own paint using charcoal, chalk and natural colouring from fruit and vegetables. They then used this paint to design and create their own Stone Age paintings. Amazing work Valency Class!



Dobwalls School Recommends



7 Summits
By Ed Buckingham
Recommended
By Mr Frame Y6



This book is about a cornishman, Ed Buckingham, who has completed the amazing task of climbing the highest mountains on each continent. Mr. Frame said 'Its has been a thoroughly enjoyable read and I think most people would find it interesting.



Dobwalls Primary School Council



Bake Sale in aid of The Screech Owl Sanctuary

50p

The theme for the cakes is...owls!



Tuesday 3rd February

All cakes will be sold at break time



There will be four categories and a prize for the winner of each category judged by The School Council! Children will be able to choose a prize from a selection!

1. Cake pops
2. Large cakes
3. Cup cakes
4. Biscuits/cookies



Please bring cakes to school on Tuesday morning with a name on.
Please include a list of the ingredients.

Happy Baking!



🎨 Free Half Term Activity at St Nectan's Glen

📅 **17** Tuesday, Wednesday &
Thursday – 17th, 18th, 19th February

🕒 1.30pm – 4.00pm

Come and decorate your very own mushroom to be part of our magical woodland art trail!

Each child's creation will be added to a growing forest of dreams, unveiled in April.

🌈 Perfect family activity for creative little explorers

📍 St Nectan's Glen, Trethevy, Tintagel,
Cornwall PL34 0BE
☎️ 01840 779538

St Nectan's Glen is offering a free Half Term activity on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (17th, 18th, 19th February) from 1.30pm–4pm. Children are invited to decorate their own mushroom, which will become part of a magical woodland art installation launching this spring. This is a simple, creative, family-friendly activity suitable for all ages. Full details are on the attached poster.

FEBRUARY
ROADSHOWS

16 - 20 FEBRUARY | 9.30AM - 3.30PM
BOYS & GIRLS ALL ABILITIES AGED 5-15

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Dobwalls PTFA welcome you all to

DISCO

THURSDAY 12TH
FEBRUARY

INFANTS 5PM-6PM
JUNIORS 6.15PM-7.15PM

Snacks 20 - 40p

TICKETS £3
FROM THE
SCHOOL OFFICE

