

Newsletter
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Skol Gynsa Fosow Dobb

Dobwalls Primary School



“Reading is an exercise in empathy. An exercise in walking in someone else’s shoes for a while.” – Malorie Blackman

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! It has been so lovely to welcome everyone back into this sunny weather! The field has been in full swing at lunchtimes which is brilliant. As we start the new half term, children have also commenced their new topics and teachers will be sharing their new curriculum updates with you. We hope you enjoy reading about their upcoming learning and enjoying talking about it together.

Yesterday, our Y5/6 SMART Trust Council representatives (Ava, Evelyn, Tarryn and Ella) joined a meeting with fellow councillors across the Trust for a super meeting. This meeting also included a 'mystery' school which we took time to ask and answer questions to each other to find the location. We were very excited to discover they were in Norway! It was really interesting to hear about their learning. We also all shared our most memorable history lessons - Romans, Vikings, Mayans and the Great Fire of London!

On Monday, we have our filming day and we are looking forward to updating the website and video - we would really appreciate you replying so as many children as possible can be involved. The children have had so many brilliant ideas to be included!

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

Diary Dates

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| 27 Apr | Y2 trip to Liskeard museum |
| 30 Apr | Y5 trip to HFC |
| 2 May | Y3 Wild Tribe |
| 5 May | BANK HOLIDAY |
| 9 May | Y2 Wild Tribe |
| 14 May | Governor meeting |
| 12-15 May | KS2 SATS week |
| 16 May | Y1 Wild Tribe |
| 23 May | Sports Day—pm |
| 26-30 May | HALF TERM |
| 1 Jun | Non-pupil day |
| 23 Jun | Governor meeting |
| 22 Jul | Children finish at 1:00pm |
| 23 Jul | Non-pupil days |
| 24 Jul –31 Aug | SUMMER BREAK |
| 1 Sep | Non-pupil day |
| 2 Sep | Back to school |

Na wra ankevi!

After School Clubs

Club information will be coming home next week.

Changes of Address/Details

A reminder to let the office staff know of any changes to addresses, phone numbers etc. We are aware that a few of our families have moved into the lovely new houses opposite the school. Please let us know your new address.

Online Safety Newsletter—April

This months Online Safety Newsletter is coming home with this newsletter. It covers BBC iPlayer, age ratings in games, AI safety and Manosphere.

Snacks and Water

Please can you ensure that children bring a named drink bottle into school each day. This should contain water only. We have always tried to encourage healthy eating in school 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. This also includes sweets. Can we ask that you don't send your child into school with sweets, even if it is for sharing on a special occasion such as a birthday. We do however have a treat on Fridays! Children can bring in a sweet treat/crisps if desired on Fridays for break time. Thank you

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.

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| 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.

Last week's SECRET Skills Powerful Learners

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| Lerryn | Alice S & Lachlan | Tamar | Leo & Harland |
| Fowey | Harry & Elodie | Lynher | Cian & Tarryn |
| Loveny | Hendrix & Xena | Camel | Koen & Marshall |
| Valency | Savannah & Jowan | | |

Attendance Stars

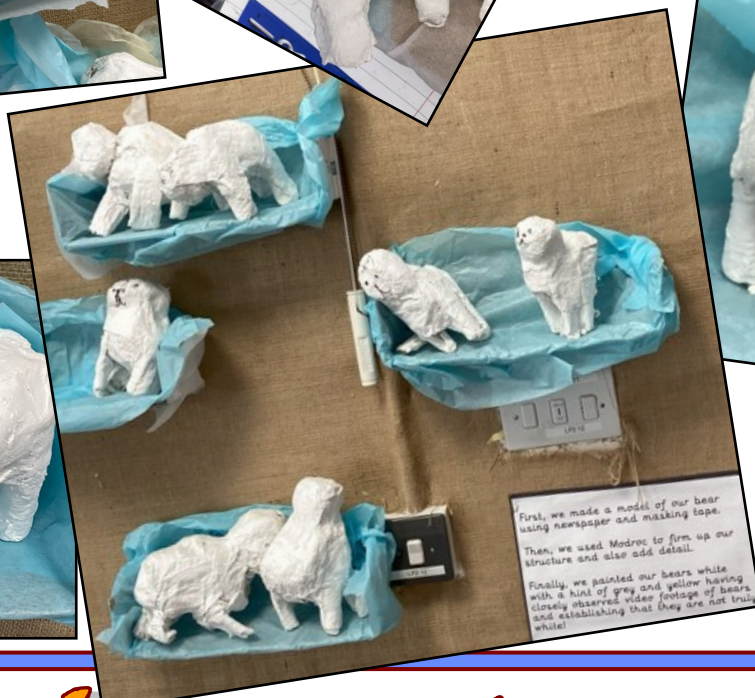
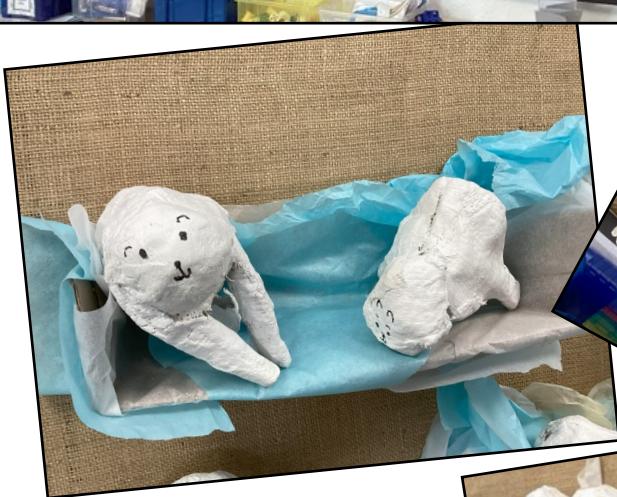
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| Lerryn | Fowey | Loveny | Valency | Tamar | Lynher | Camel |
| 96% | 96% | 94% | 93% | 98% | 96% | 94% |



Star Learners this week are from Year 1. Fowey Class have created some beautiful Modroc Polar bears. They started by rolling, folding and scrunchy newspaper to create the body shapes and secured them with lots of tape. They then got very messy and covered their Polar bears with Modroc, remembering to smooth out the bubbles and cover the holes. They then waited very patiently for the bears to dry before adding detail by giving them a cute little face and ears. Well done Fowey, they are wonderful!



First, we made a model of our bear using newspaper and masking tape. Then, we used Modroc to firm up our structure and also add detail. Finally, we painted our bears white with a hint of grey and yellow, having closely observed video footage of bears and establishing that they are not truly white



PAPAYA

Let's talk about our kids and their tech

ONLINE PARENT TALK WITH NICOLA:

CORNWALL SCHOOLS PARENT TALK
MONDAY 8TH JUNE 2026 – 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM



JOINING LINK:

[ACCESS VIA THE TEAMS LINK HERE](#)



Nicola MacDonald

Nicola MacDonald is a Resilience Coach and Author of the non-fiction book, Resilient Teen. She is the Founder of My Resilient Mind and Co-Founder of The Digital Detox Club. She runs resilience workshops and talks for schools, parents, and adults in the workplace. She specialises in mindfulness, tech addiction, youth mental health and conscious parenting.

Nicola is an empowering and uplifting speaker who shares her knowledge in a non-judgemental way linking to her own experiences of parenthood and her own previous struggles with teen anxiety.

Great News!
Tom Palmer will be
visiting Dobwalls School
(with books on sale) on
15th May

THE INVADER IS ON THE MARCH
TOM PALMER

REPORT TO YOUR LIBRARY!

LIBRARY INVASION OF CORNWALL LIBRARIES

WHISTLE STOP TOUR

FREE 30 MINUTE ACTION-PACKED TALK WITH BEST SELLING AUTHOR TOM PALMER

www.cornwall.gov.uk/library

CORNWALL COUNCIL
Barrington & Stoke Libraries

In partnership with Knowsley CLCs, all parent/carers are invited to an:

Online Safety Information Session

This session is delivered virtually so can be watched from anywhere!
We will share the link with you privately.

Guide to Social Media & Livestreaming - this will include latest trends and emerging threats and will focus on developing your understanding of social media and livestreaming, the associated risks and steps we can take to support our children.

WEDNESDAY
6TH MAY
2026
4PM – 4.45PM

