

Newsletter
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Dobwalls C P School

WELCOME
BACK

"Reading without reflecting is like eating without digesting." – Edmund Burke

Dear Parents and Carers,

A HUGE welcome to our new starters in Lerryn Class - so lovely to see everyone coming in through the gate with their sparkly new school jumpers and of course welcome back to everyone who has moved up into the next year group. The start of a new school year is an exciting and a little nervous time for everyone including staff! As always, please do keep talking to us as we know there can be worries as children move into new classes, we are all here to help.

A big congratulations to the new Mrs Gordon - many of you have seen photos of the stunning bride, our beautiful Loveny Class teacher. It appears Loveny Class have learnt her name quicker than herself!! We all wish Mr and Mrs Gordon a very long, happy and healthy future.

We have kick started the new year with a book week and across the school there has been a buzz about reading. Lots of different books and authors being learnt about including Paddington, The Final Year, Wonder, Varjak Paw and a Cornish story in each class as we continue to learn some Cornish language. We've also got the Scholastic Book Fair coming up where we will be selling a wide range of books in the hall - more details to follow.

As you know at Dobwalls, we believe in ourselves and others and hearing the school song sung so beautifully on Wednesday morning was a highlight of the week for me. I really do believe we are in for another brilliant year. Let's get learning and believing in one and all!

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

LETTER FROM DOBWALLS MEMORIAL HALL COMMITTEE REGARDING PARKING—SEE P3

Walking Home—Juniors

If you would like your child to walk home or walk to meet you at a place off the school site a permission slip must be signed and handed into the office. We already have permission in place for many of our older children and this will carry forward into this academic year unless we hear from you. If you are unsure whether or not we hold permission for your child, please pop into the school office.



Scholastic Book (Lyver) Fair

The Book Fair will be with us after school on Mon 14th and Thurs 17th September. There are lots of super books on sale for you to either buy there and then or order and receive at a later date. Please note that the book fair is cashless - payment is made via a QR code.



Snacks and Water

Please can you ensure that children bring a named drink bottle into school each day. This should contain water only. We can refill water bottles but in the current climate we cannot provide the reusable bottles as we did before.

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



Admission to Reception Year 2027/2028

Applications for a place at the primary school of your choice are now being accepted by Cornwall Council. If you have a child born between 1st September 2022 and 31st August 2023 you will need to apply online for a place by 15th January 2027. The website, www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions is currently open and will close on 15th January 2027. It is important that you name more than one preference when completing the form (Dobwalls first obviously). This does not reduce your chance of securing a place but if the preferred school is full, your subsequent choices can be reviewed quickly. If you need help in completing the form, please contact the school office or the Family Information Service (0800 587 8191) or School Admissions Team (0300 1234 101).

Y6 Secondary school 2027 applications

Applications are also open for applications to secondary school via the same website. The closing date is 31st October 2026.



PE Kits

Please see our [website for uniform reminder](#)

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.

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.)

PE Days

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

Attendance Stars

Lerryn	Fowey	Loveny	Valency	Tamar	Lynher	Camel
93%	99%	95%	97%	91%	100%	98%





Diary Dates

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10 Sept	Y5 Wild Tribe	4 Jan	First Day back
14, 16 & 17 Sept	Book Fair—after school	1-12 Feb	Y3 & Y5 swimming lessons
16 Sept	Y4 trip to The Box	3 Feb	Governor meeting
17 Sept	Y5 Wild Tribe	15-19 Feb	HALF TERM
30 Sept	Governor meeting	22 Feb	Non-pupil day
1 Oct	Nasal Flu immunisations	4 Mar	World Book Day
	Y3 Wild Tribe	17 Mar	Governor meeting
6 Oct	Photographer in School—Individual photos	22 Mar	Photographer in school—classes
8 Oct	Y2 Wild Tribe	26 Mar-9 Apr	EASTER BREAK
14 Oct	Y2 trip to Dartmoor	3 May	BANK HOLIDAY
15 Oct	Y1 Wild Tribe	10-13 May	KS2 SATS week
19-30 Oct	HALF TERM	19 May	Governor meeting
20 Nov	Non-pupil day	31 May-4 Jun	HALF TERM
25 Nov	Governor meeting	7 Jun	Non-pupil day
1 Dec	Y1 hearing tests	28-30 Jun	Y6 Residential
18 Dec	Children finish at 1:30pm	30 Jun	Governor meeting
21 Dec	Non-pupil day	23 Jul	Children finish at 1:30pm
22 Dec	CHRISTMAS BREAK	26&27 Jul	Non-pupil days
		28 Jul	SUMMER BREAK

TERM DATES 2026—2027

September 2026

Mon	31	7	14	21	28
Tue	1	8	15	22	29
Wed	2	9	16	23	30
Thurs	3	10	17	24	
Fri	4	11	18	25	
Sat	5	12	19	26	
Sun	6	13	20	27	

October 2026

Mon		5	12	19	26
Tue		6	13	20	27
Wed		7	14	21	28
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29
Fri	2	9	16	23	30
Sat	3	10	17	24	31
Sun	4	11	18	25	

November 2026

Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue		3	10	17	24	
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thurs		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

December 2026

Mon		7	14	21	28
Tue	1	8	15	22	29
Wed	2	9	16	23	30
Thurs	3	10	17	24	31
Fri	4	11	18	25	
Sat	5	12	19	26	
Sun	6	13	20	27	

January 2027

Mon		4	11	18	25
Tue		5	12	19	26
Wed		6	13	20	27
Thurs		7	14	21	28
Fri	1	8	15	22	29
Sat	2	9	16	23	30
Sun	3	10	17	24	31

February 2027

Mon		1	8	15	22
Tue		2	9	16	23
Wed		3	10	17	24
Thurs		4	11	18	25
Fri		5	12	19	26
Sat		6	13	20	27
Sun		7	14	21	28

March 2027

Mon	1	8	15	22	29
Tue	2	9	16	23	30
Wed	3	10	17	24	31
Thurs	4	11	18	25	
Fri	5	12	19	26	
Sat	6	13	20	27	
Sun	7	14	21	28	

April 2027

Mon		5	12	19	26
Tue		6	13	20	27
Wed		7	14	21	28
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29
Fri	2	9	16	23	30
Sat	3	10	17	24	
Sun	4	11	18	25	

May 2027

Mon		3	10	17	24	31
Tue		4	11	18	25	
Wed		5	12	19	26	
Thurs		6	13	20	27	
Fri		7	14	21	28	
Sat	1	8	15	22	29	
Sun	2	9	16	23	30	

June 2027

Mon		7	14	21	28
Tue	1	8	15	22	29
Wed	2	9	16	23	30
Thurs	3	10	17	24	
Fri	4	11	18	25	
Sat	5	12	19	26	
Sun	6	13	20	27	

July 2027

Mon		5	12	19	26
Tue		6	13	20	27
Wed		7	14	21	28
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29
Fri	2	9	16	23	30
Sat	3	10	17	24	31
Sun	4	11	18	25	

August 2027

Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue		3	10	17	24	31
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thurs		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
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Bank holidays

Christmas Day	25 December 2026
Boxing Day	28 December 2026
New Years Day	01 January 2027
Good Friday	26 March 2027
Easter Monday	29 March 2027
May Bank Holiday	03 May 2027
Spring Bank Holiday	31 May 2027
Summer Bank Holiday	30 August 2027

Non-Pupil Days



Dobwalls Memorial Hall Car Park

Dear Hall car park users,

We have a bit of a problem with the car park at the moment. It is showing signs of damage in some areas and this will only get worse over the winter. Whatever the underlying cause, it has probably been exacerbated by the extremely wet winter followed by the recent spell of hot weather, and we will have to attempt some repairs before the winter or it will soon revert to the state it was in before the surface was re-laid.

While we will make every effort to keep the surface in good repair, we have very limited resources and so it is possible that the state of the car park at some time in the future (hopefully the very distant future) will be such that we have to close it for school use. To avoid this, it would be very helpful if you are particularly careful when using the car park, for instance keeping speeds and sharp turns to a minimum, especially on the side of the car park nearest to the hall (which is where the damage is).

Many thanks

Dobwalls Memorial Hall trustees



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School Snack Guide

Dobwalls Community Primary School



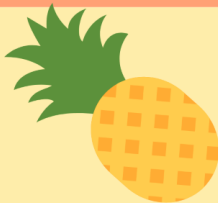
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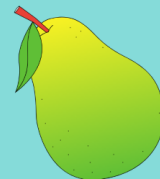
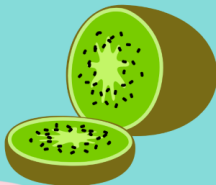
TUESDAY



WEDNESDAY



THURSDAY



FRIDAY

It's Friday!
Treat yourself!!



HEALTHY FOOD = HEALTHY BRAIN!

