



Hand in Hand



Friday 5th April 2023

Learning together for a better future

Dear Parent/Carer,

Message from Miss Furnish

On Saturday I had the pleasure of spending the first part of the day with some of our children who were representing the school in the Trevithick Day dance. The children danced beautifully and were exceptionally well behaved. A big thank you to Mrs Crocker who worked with the children to help them learn the dance and prepared the outfits etc, even making one of the aprons! Several children also created thought-provoking art pieces under the talented teaching of Mrs Cutler for the Trevithick Day competition, and I am pleased to report we won first prize for the second year in a row! Well done and thank you to everyone who took part, including the staff who attended on the day to support the children. I wish you all a happy coronation and look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday. Take care.

Trevithick Day 2023



Notice: Roskear School distributes fliers and magazines offering family services or posts details of local activities on the newsletter. Whilst we think that parents might like the information and find it useful, the school does not necessarily endorse these services.

*King Charles III
Coronation Celebrations 2023*



Team 3 & 4

Gardening Club

Key Stage 2 gardening club are excited to see their potatoes, carrots and peas are growing. Next, they will be sowing wildflowers and planting sunflowers.



Team EYFS

This week in Team EYFS... the children in reception have loved to write.

We always use the sentence toolkit when we are writing. We know that we should use a capital letter at the beginning of a sentence, leave finger spaces and write letters on the line. We use Fred talk and sounds to spell new words and we also remember to put a full stop at the end of a sentence. Phew! That's a lot of things to remember! We always try our best and we are keen to improve our writing.



Team 1 & 2

Year 2 have had a reading challenge this week! They were asked to take a photo of them reading in unusual places. The children have loved



this challenge and all of the amazing photos will be displayed outside Year 2.

Well done! What is your favourite unusual place to read?



Year 6 have been studying hard for their SATs.

Team 5 & 6



We have had a busy, final week of studying before our SATs begin next week. This

week in maths we have been revising the mean average, coordinates and the four operations. In English we have completed several reading papers and have been revising modal verbs and homophones as part of SPaG.

We wish them all the best for next week! We are very proud of them.



Car Park and Keeping Safe

Please can I remind everyone to remain in their bays until the car park member of staff signals that it is safe to move. We do this to help keep the children stay safe as at 3.15pm our oldest pupils, who unlike our younger children, are often unaccompanied by a parent/carer due to their age are leaving the site. We also ask that if approached by a member of staff regarding not moving your vehicle you respond appropriately, knowing



that we are only doing this to safeguard the children. Many thanks.



AT PRESENT WE HAVE PLACES AVAILABLE FOR SEPTEMBER 2023 IN OUR PRE-SCHOOL AND NURSERY CLASSES.

PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE ON 01209 714241 AND ASK TO SPEAK TO:

BECKY GROOMBRIDGE (PRE-SCHOOL) OR
TOYAH TREMBATH (NURSERY).

THANK YOU.



Here are our weekly winners!

Year 1&2

1st - Portreath 2nd - Marazion 3rd - Gwithian

Year 3&4

1st - Coverack 2nd - Truro 3rd - Newlyn

Year 5&6

1st - St Piran 2nd - St Blazey 3rd - St Petroc



We owe a huge thank you to the

RNLI for hosting an informative assembly this week. Our visitors delivered some important water safety information through an interactive assembly. The children will have a knowledge of how to keep themselves safe.



Last week, Year 5/6 pupils took part in the Crofty tag-rugby festival at Treloweth School.

The children were really excited to apply the fundamental skills they have learned during PE lessons with Saints Southwest's Ethan Fearn.

We are proud to congratulate them on receiving bronze medals!



GOVERNOR NEWS

Thank you for the interest already shown in becoming a school governor. I would still like more to join us, so if you know anyone in the community, such as a retired neighbour or colleague, who has said they've thought about it, please tell them about Roskear School seeking governors. This is a key role that supports pupils and staff, allowing you to influence & shape the future. I would love to hear from you!



Lisette Harvey, Chair of Governors - Roskear

Most handsome guinea pig

Over the Easter break, Leila took her guinea pig to his first guinea pig show. They came second in the most handsome category. What a wonderful rosette and achievement.



10 top tips for safely using SMARTWATCHES

Kids love gadgets, and smartwatches – available to buy from as little as £20 online – make a tempting gift. As with any type of mobile technology, though, smartwatches can pose risks to children unless they're used safely. Receiving unwanted calls, cyber-stalking and distracting a young person when they're crossing the road are all known risks associated with smartwatches. However, these devices can bring plenty of benefits for children and parents alike – so let's examine the pros and cons of smartwatches.

AVOID CHEAP OPTIONS

A quick search online yields a torrent of cheap smartwatches for kids, costing as little as £20. It's wise to avoid this bargain basement tech: it tends to deliver a poor experience with inferior battery life, and it's hard to have faith in the software's safety. There have been cases of smartwatches being hacked to track or contact children; stick to known brands who have a reputation to protect.

CONTROL CALLING

Many smartwatches have the facility to make or take calls. As with a phone, you may want to restrict who your child can call – or be called by. On Apple Watches, you can select trusted contacts who are allowed to ring your child, while other watches' controls vary hugely. Some need to connect to a linked phone for calls, so you may be able to block unknown contacts via that device instead.

BEWARE HIDDEN COSTS

For a smartwatch to allow calls independently (that is, without being connected to a phone via Bluetooth), it will need its own mobile data plan. This might take the form of a tiny SIM card that you slot into the watch – or an eSIM, where the physical card is replaced by software settings. Either way, this will incur an additional monthly cost that you'll need to factor into any buying decision.

ENABLE FAMILY SHARING

Apple Watches aren't cheap, but they do offer superb safety features – allowing parents to control calls, messages and emails on the device, as well as a location tracking system that can send alerts if kids wander beyond pre-set boundaries. Their SOS function enables children to contact emergency services instantly if they're in trouble, which simultaneously also alerts parents and carers.

MAKE THEM COOL FOR SCHOOL

Some schools have banned smartwatches, as pupils have been using them as substitute phones. If your child's school does permit them, some devices can be set to prevent distractions in class. For example, Apple's Schooltime feature turns their watches into ordinary time-keeping devices during school hours. The display changes in this mode, showing teachers that it isn't being used for other purposes.

BE MINDFUL OF BEDTIME

Many smartwatches offer sleep tracking, which some (usually older) children use to justify wearing them to bed. However, that also presents a temptation to message friends or check social media late at night, even if their phone is downstairs. Unless there's a valid reason not to, you could encourage your child to remove the watch in the evenings and ensure the charger stays in a different room.

TRACK ITS LOCATION

Both Apple and Android devices have apps which allow you to track a smartwatch's location. They can also initiate an audio alert – avoiding those cushion-hurling panics when a treasured device can't be found at home. If you're planning to track your child's location via their watch, make them aware of that in advance. You could even make it a condition of them getting the watch in the first place.

THINK 'SAFETY FIRST'

Smartwatches are often worth hundreds of pounds, which can make young people wearing one a target for thieves. Advise your child to keep the watch hidden in public (when possible) and not to resist if muggers demand their watch. If you manage to track a stolen device, pass that information to the police: location data isn't always accurate, so you could end up wrongly accusing someone.

STORE MEDICAL INFO

Devices including the Samsung Galaxy Watch and Apple Watch can store the owner's medical details (such as their blood group and any pre-existing medical conditions), potentially giving emergency services access to vital information in a crisis. These devices also have "hard fall" detection, which sends a text message to selected contacts along with a map showing the wearer's location.

USE THEM AS MOTIVATION

If you're worried your child's spending too much time slumped on the sofa staring at screens, smartwatches are great fitness trackers and can be a powerful incentive to get moving. Some devices will alert the wearer if they've been inactive for a long time and encourage them to do some exercise. Many watches record the user's daily step count and measure other health metrics.

Meet Our Expert

Barry Collins has been a technology journalist and editor for more than 20 years, working for titles such as the Sunday Times, Which?, PC Pro and Computeractive. He's appeared regularly as a technology pundit on television and radio, including on BBC Newsnight, Radio 5 Live and the ITV News at Ten. He has two children and writes regularly about internet safety issues.



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Being a Brownie

Alesha was awarded her Earth Day badge at Brownies last week. To achieve her badge she has to carry out a range of tasks - craft, games, discussion etc. The badge is all about our planet and what we can do to look after our wonderful world. Well done for achieving this beautiful badge for your Brownie uniform.




Calendar

- 08.05.23 - School Closed - King's Coronation
- 09.05.23 - 12.05.23 - Yr 6 SATS tests
- 19.05.23 - Yr 4 trip to the River Fal
- 29.05.22 - 02.06.23 Half Term
- 28.06.23 - Pool School Yr 6 transition day
- 03.07.23 - 07.07.23 - Yr 6 Activities Week
- 07.07.23 - FORSA Summer Fayre - 3.15pm
- 11.07.23 - 12.07.23 - Redruth School Yr 6 transition days
- 14.07.23 - FORSA Summer Disco - Infants 6.00pm - 7.00pm, Juniors 7.15pm - 8.15pm. £2.00 per child via Parent Pay
- 18.07.23 - 19.07.23 - Camborne School Yr 6 transition days
- 20.07.23 - Yr 6 Leavers Party 3.15pm - 5.00pm
- 21.07.23 school finishes for Summer Holiday - school finishes at 3.15pm
- 24.07.23 - 25.07.23 Inset Day

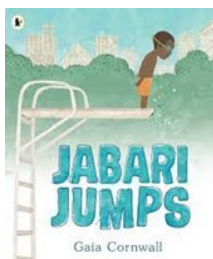


Jacob: for competing in the British Judo Council National Championships and winning a silver medal.

Sahara: for competing in the R&T Tours Cornwall Football Festival and being a runner up.

Congratulations to the following pupils who achieved 'Star of the week'

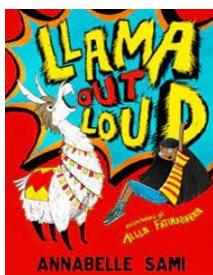
Class	Name	Reason for certificate
Chapel Porth	Elija	For always trying her best and for using the writing toolkit to ensure her writing is her best! Well done Elija!
Porthcurno	Ava	For always trying her very best in all she does.
Poldhu	Ava	For being a resourceful learner and using our spelling banks to spell accurately in her writing. Well done, Ava!
Gwithian	Quawra	For moving up a RWI group. Great work Quawra, you've been working so hard to learn the set 3 sounds.
Coverack	Oscar	For your fabulous ideas in writing making your story really interesting.
Portreath	Roxy	For working her socks off and completing the Read Write Inc programme! Well done!
Marazion	Ameliah J	For her lovely handwriting and brilliant innovation story this week.
Truro	Kayla	For moving up in her 99 club, well done!
Falmouth	Oakley	For excellent effort during independent writing this week - keep it up!
Newlyn	Travis	For his super comprehension in reading and making predictions about our text.
St. Blazey	Arnas	For a wonderful week, settling into life in St Blazey and completing some amazing maths!
St. Piran	Mollie	For being a brilliant role model at all times! She has been leading discussions in the classroom.
Helston	Lukas	For his dedication in maths and always completing to the challenges.
St. Petroc	Seb T	For writing a great warning tale.



KS1 Book of the Week — Jabari Jumps

Author: Gaia Cornwall Book Level: 2.3

Working up the courage to take a big, important leap is hard, but Jabari is almost ready to make a giant splash.



KS2 Book of the Week — Llama out Loud

Author: Annabelle Sami and Allen Fatimaharan Book Level: 4.8

No one ever listens to Yasmin Shah. She's the only quiet one in her big, loud family. When Levi the chatty, rude llama pops into her life, he gets Yasmin into all sorts of trouble. But can he help Yasmin to find her voice? Book #1



Roskear Readers Weekly Word Count

It has been another great week for reading here at Roskear School. Every week in school, we celebrate the word count, both whole class and individual children. At the end of every half term, each child with the highest word count across the school and the child with the highest number of tests passed are awarded a prize. So, all you readers out there get reading and passing those quizzes.

This Week's Class Word Count

1st place – Falmouth 1,944,071, 2nd place – Newlyn 1,083,191 & 3rd place – St Piran 1,037,670

This Week's Word Count - Children

Freia (Coverack) – 23,436, Isabel (Falmouth) – 129,533, Roxy (Helston) – 106,128, Morgan (Newlyn) – 369,465, Reece (St Blazey) – 270,669, Lucas (St Petroc) – 117,331, Anita (St Piran) – 198,332, Amelija (Truro) – 41,855, Elyza (Marazion) – 40,698, Oliver (Portreath) – 13,758, Piper (Poldhu) – 137 & Olivia (Gwithian) – 1,989

<u>Position</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>% Attend</u>	<u>Number of Late pupils</u>	<u>Change from last week</u>
1st	Chapel Porth	100	6	-1
1st	Truro	100	0	-3
2nd	Helston	98.3	1	+1
3rd	Gwithian	97.8	3	-
4th	Porthcurno	97.1	3	+1
5th	St. Petroc	96.1	1	-3
6th	Newlyn	95	2	+2
6th	St. Piran	95	1	-3
7th	Falmouth	93.3	6	-3
8th	Gwithian	93.1	3	-
9th	St. Blazey	91.7	1	+1
10th	Coverack	91.1	5	-
11th	Marazion	90	3	-3
12th	Portreath	89.2	3	-4
Totals	Whole School	94.8	38	-19

ATTENDANCE DATA

This year's target is

96%

*Congratulations to
Chapel Porth &
Truro*

who came joint

first

this week.

Menu for week commencing Tuesday 9th May 2023

WEEK 1

W/C: 17/04, 08/05, 29/05, 19/06, 10/07, 11/09, 02/10

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT MAINS	King's Coronation Bank Holiday -	Pork Sausages Served with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Roast Turkey 🍷 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Beef Bolognese 🍷 Served with Wholemeal Pasta and Garlic and Herb Bread	Breaded Fish Fingers Served with Chips
		Macaroni Cheese 🌱 Served with Garlic and Herb Bread	Roasted Vegetable Butterbean Crumble 🌱 🍷 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Vegetarian Bolognese 🌱 🍷 Served with Wholemeal Pasta	Vegetarian Dippers 🌱 Served with Chips
JACKET POTATO		Jacket Potatoes 🍷 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings, including Salmon Mayonnaise 🐟	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings
Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta 🌱 🍷					
All main meals are served with two vegetables					
DESSERT		Hot Chocolate Sponge with Chocolate Custard	Strawberry Jelly with Fruit 🌱	Fruity Picnic Bar 🌱	Chocolate Ice Cream

PACKED LUNCH AVAILABLE

Ham and Cheese sandwich available daily with veg sticks and fresh fruit or dessert of the day

