



The Tywardreath School

Newsletter

for pupils, staff, parents and carers



19TH JUNE 2026



Year 1 and 2 visited the Maritime Museum last week and had a fantastic time! The theme for the day was "Wreck and Rescue". They learnt about the HMS Anson that was wrecked on the Lizard in 1807 and how this inspired Cornish inventor Henry Trengrouse to develop a rocket propelled Breeches Buoy. The children then took part in a recreation of a rescue and were able to explore lots of replica and historic rescue artefacts. What a fascinating day! Thank you so much to our parent helpers who volunteered to help out.



Last week, some of our Year 5 children took part in a Go Ride day at Par Track. The children looked at bike maintenance, developed different skills and then competed in a Team Pursuit competition to finish the day.



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Year 6 had a fantastic time visiting MPower, based in the railway yard in St Blazey last week. They learnt so much about the history of railways and engineering. The children looked at a diesel engine called Brian and discussed what would be the best method to move it. There was even an opportunity to have a go moving the turntable!



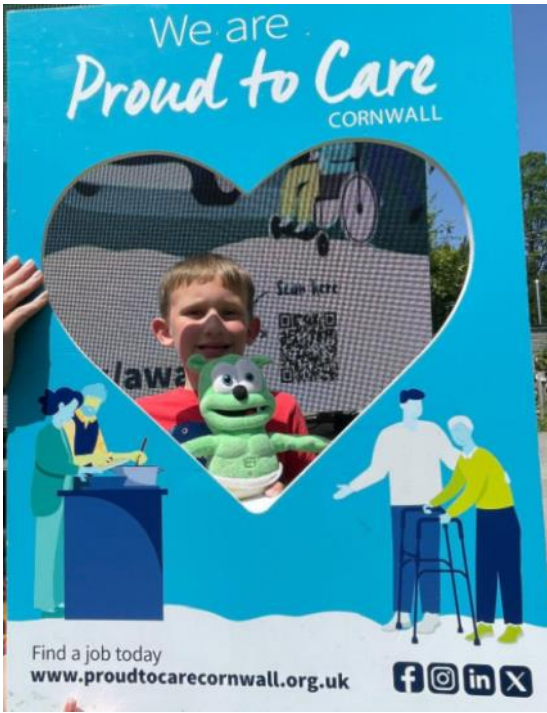
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This wonderful young man, Nate, has been promoting the 'Proud to Care Cornwall' campaign. If you know someone working in the care industry and would like to nominate them, please use the link below.

Proud to Care Awards - Proud to Care Cornwall

"The awards recognise the compassion, dedication, and heart shown by care workers every day, shining a spotlight on Cornwall's care heroes."

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Multi-Award Winning!

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Bilingua Sing

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Spanish Club at Tywardreath

Activity based learning

We make languages fun again!

Catchy songs

Supports Spanish language objectives

Reception, Year 1 & 2
Mondays 3.15-4.15pm, £6.00

Book a trial - limited spaces

Sibling discounts available

Starts Monday 14th September 2026

To book a trial session scan the QR code, email paige@bilinguasing.com or text 07303018513



Class Photos

Please use QR codes on the cards that have been sent home to order class and team photos. The order deadline for free delivery back to school is **Tuesday 23rd June**, orders after this date will be direct ship only and subject to postage costs.

Thank you



Our Summer Fayre takes place on Friday 3rd July from 2pm. We are in need of some help to ensure this event is a success!

If you are able to lend a hand setting up in the afternoon or if you are able to help run a stall, please contact our PSA through their Facebook page or pop into the School Office.

Thank you!



Attendance

	This Week	Year to Date
LG1	97.2%	95.86%
LG2	93.1%	95.96%
Crinnis	91%	95.81%
Booley	94.2%	96.41%
Polmear	99.6%	94.91%
Polkerris	95.8%	94.69%
Silvermines	96.6%	96.32%
Gribbin	96.8%	93.65%
Carnjewey	99.3%	96.18%
Duporth	89.7%	93.5%
Menabilly	94%	96%

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Diary

June:

- 22nd Y6 Camp Week
- 22nd Y5 Enrichment Week
- 29th Y5/6 Trip to Eden
- 30th Y6 Bikeability begins
- 30th EYFS Sports Day (9.30am)
- 30th KS1 Sports Day (1.30pm)

July:

- 1st Y2 Beach Trip
- 2nd Y6 Fowey transition
- 3rd Y1 Beach Trip
- 3rd Summer Fayre (pm)
- 6th Taiko Team—Hall for Cornwall
- 7th Y6 Poltair/Penrice transition
- 7th EYFS Sports Day RESERVE
- 8th Y6 Careers Day
- 9th Summer Disco
(EYFS/KS1 4.15-5,
KS2 5.15-6 +Y6 only 6-6.30)
- 10th EYFS Graduation

Dates

July:

- 13th Meet the Teacher for Y5 + Y6
(at 3.20pm)
- 14th Meet the Teacher for Y1 + Y2
(at 3.20pm)
- 15th Meet the Teacher for Y3 + 4
(at 3.20pm)
- 15th KS2 Sports Day
(Y3/4 9.30am and Y5/6 1.30pm)
- 16-17th Y4 Camp
- 22nd Y6 Production (1.30pm)
- 23rd Y6 Production (1.30pm)
- 24th Last day of term



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Extraordinary Explorers

FREE summer fun for your child, plus a swim voucher & rewards!

Dear Parent/Carer,

Looking for something fun, free and rewarding to keep your child engaged this summer? 'Yes' we hear you cry!

Join the Cornwall Reading Challenge 2026!

WAIT! Don't stop reading because we said Reading Challenge, we promise it's worth reading on...

From Saturday 11 July, children of all ages can sign up at their local library and start an exciting summer adventure with books.

Why sign up? Because it's packed with rewards...



- FREE to join
- FREE swim voucher just for signing up
- Collect stickers and rewards along the way
- Children can read about the things they love in a way that works for them.
- Earn a certificate and medal for completing the challenge
- Finishers receive a Treasure Trail worth £9.99!

Choose your challenge

- Reading Quest – read 6 books and unlock rewards
- One and All Challenge – an accessible challenge. It's our flexible option so every child can take part and succeed.

And more than just reading...

- Build confidence and keep reading skills strong over summer
- Discover new books, authors and ideas
- Take part in FREE library activities all summer long

To get started simply visit your local library from 11 July to sign up.

Don't miss out – thousands of Cornwall children took part last year. Let's make this summer even bigger!

It's fun. It's free. And there's a reward waiting from day one.

See you there. [The Cornwall Libraries Team.](#)



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School Nursing messaging service for parents and carers of children and young people 5-19 years in Cornwall and Isles of Scilly

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Cornwall & Devon School Age Immunisation Service

Did you know children are offered these routine vaccinations at school?

- FLU
- MMR
- HPV
- MENINGITIS A,C,W,Y
- DIPHThERIA, TETANUS, POLIO (DTP)

Did you miss us?

We also run community clinics across Cornwall and Devon for:

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

Contact us for further information, to check your child's vaccination status, or book a catch up clinic:

01872 221105
kernowhealthcic.schoolimmunisation@nhs.net

Young people are offered the following vaccines in secondary school:

Vaccine	School year offered	Diseases protected against
Flu vaccine	Annual vaccine offered to all in Years 7 to 11	Protects against flu, which can lead to acute bronchitis and pneumonia
Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine	Year 8	HPV related cancers such as cervical cancer, some cancers of the head and neck, some genital cancers and genital warts
MenACWY vaccine	Year 9	Meningococcal groups A, C, W and Y (which can cause meningitis and septicaemia)
3 in 1 teenage booster (Td/IPV)	Year 9	Tetanus, diphtheria and polio
MMR – for those that have not had 2 doses of MMR	Catch-up – offered opportunistically	Measles, mumps and rubella

Catch-up opportunities, either as additional visits or when the immunisation team is already coming into the school, may be offered for those who have missed out on their vaccinations.

Further information on supporting immunisation in education and child care settings, including colleges and universities can be found at: www.gov.uk/government/publications/health-protection-in-schools-and-other-childcare-facilities/supporting-immunisation-programmes



IMPORTANT CHANGES TO THE LAW REGARDING PENALTY NOTICES FOR UNAUTHORISED ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

A new National Framework for Penalty Notices for school absence, including unauthorised holiday absence, is being introduced following changes to the law. These new Government regulations will come into effect from 19 August 2024 and will affect when penalty notices are issued in Cornwall.

What are the changes?

There will be a new national threshold of 10 unauthorised sessions for any reason (equivalent to 5 school days) within a rolling 10 school week period for when a penalty notice must be considered.

The new rules mean you will no longer be able to take your child out of school for one week's holiday without the consideration of a penalty notice being issued.

There will be an increase in the penalty fine from £60 to £80 if paid in 21 days. If the fine is not paid within 21 days, it will rise to £160 if paid within 28 days of being issued.

If a second penalty fine is issued to the same parent for the same child within a 3-year rolling period, the fine will automatically rise to £160 with no option to pay the lower rate of £80.

If a parent then commits a third offence in a 3-year rolling period, the local authority will need to consider other enforcement options available to them. This could include prosecution.

Please see FAQs below with more information about how the new rules may affect you.

FAQs

If I have been issued with a penalty notice before 19 August 2024, will this be counted if I am issued with another penalty notice from September onwards?

No, the new limits come into effect from 19 August 2024.

If I have already booked a holiday for next year, could I receive a penalty fine at the new higher rate?

Yes, absence from school can only be agreed when the explanation of the leave of absence is considered as exceptional circumstance by the Head Teacher.

Who can be issued with a penalty notice?

Each parent can receive a fine for each child who has had unauthorised absence from school.

In education law, anyone who lives with a child and who has day-to-day care of the child is also considered to be a parent whether they are the biological parent or not. This will include step-parents and partners.

Do the new rules only apply to holidays during term time?

No, it applies to all unauthorised absence from school including holidays. Unauthorised absence includes other absence that has not been agreed such as truancy, arriving late after the register has closed and failing to provide acceptable reasons for absence.

How do I request for my child to have leave granted during term time?

You must submit a Leave of Absence Request form to the Head Teacher before the proposed absence (a minimum of 15 days before the Leave of absence is due to commence). Each request will be considered on its own merit, but where the leave of absence could be taken outside of the school term the absence will not be authorised. Do not assume that the absence will be granted until you have received confirmation from the school.

Do the 10 sessions of unauthorised absence have to be taken all at the same time before a penalty fine is issued?

No, a penalty fine can be issued for any combination of absences over a 10-week rolling period. They can be consecutive or non-consecutive and can span over two terms (including between academic years).

What happens if I am issued with a penalty fine and I don't pay it?

Unauthorised absence from school is an offence under S444 of the Education Act 1996. A penalty fine is an opportunity for you to settle out of court. If you don't take this opportunity, you can be prosecuted for the offence of failing to ensure your child's regular attendance.

What should I do if I am worried about my child's attendance?

Please contact us to arrange a meeting to discuss how we can support you to improve the situation.

If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £80 if paid within 21 days or £160 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may result in legal action. Absence not authorised by the school may result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court.