



The Tywardreath School

Newsletter

for pupils, staff, parents and carers



27TH MARCH 2026



We would love to find out what you believe is important for your child at Tywardreath now and in the future. To assist us, we would be very grateful for your views and opinions. Please click the link below to complete a short questionnaire. Please complete by 22nd April.

Thank you!

[Tywardreath School - Parent and Carer Questionnaire – Fill in form](#)

SUNBEAMS



Sunbeams is now full.



Please make sure Parent Pay is up-to-date.

Thank you!

SONG FEST

Earlier this week, Mrs Lang took some of our children to take part in SongFest 2026. Almost 30 children represented Tywardreath along with 7 other schools to make a total of 250 children on the day! The children have spent the last few weeks practising their songs and they sang beautifully at the event. Well done everyone!



Diary

March:

31st Y5/6 Parent Drop In (2.20pm)

April:

2nd Cornish Caretaker Event KS2

2nd Y1/2 Parent Drop In (2.30pm)

2nd Last day of term

SUMMER TERM

April:

20th Children back to school

May:

1st Non-Uniform—donations
for rainbow tombola

5th Class and Team photos

11th Y6 SATs Week

20th Y3/4 Swimming Gala

21st Y5/6 Swimming Gala

22nd Last day of half term

Dates

June:

1st Children back to school

2nd Triathlon

19th INSET Day

22nd Y6 Camp Week

23rd EYFS Sports Day

29th Y6 Bikeability

30th EYFS Reserve Sports Day

July:

2nd Y6 Fowey transition

3rd Summer Fayre

7th Y6 Poltair/Penrice transition

8th Y6 Careers Day

9th Summer Disco

(EYFS/KS1 4.15-5, KS2 5.15-6 +Y6 only 6-6.30)

10th EYFS Graduation

14th KS1 Sports Day

15th KS2 Sports Day

22nd Y6 Production (1.30pm)

23rd Y6 Production (1.30pm)

24th Last day of term

Respect

Compassion



Resilience



Attendance

	This Week	Year to Date
LG1	%	95.39%
LG2	94.76%	95.76%
Crinnis	97.41%	96.23%
Booley	99.2%	96.3%
Polmear	95.16%	94.63%
Polkerris	95.86%	94.27%
Silvermines	97.59%	96.38%
Gribbin	89.29%	93.29%
Carnjewey	96.13%	96.16%
Duporth	93.1%	93.7%
Menabilly	93.45%	95.93%

Family Worker Drop In Tywardreath Academy

These sessions will be run by Jackie Chillingworth Senior Family Worker
Do you need some support and advice to understand your child's needs and behaviors?

Advice on positive parenting and how to keep your child safe?

Support with budgeting and debt advice?

To understand the importance of routines for your family?

We are running a drop-in session with no appointment necessary
on:

Thursday 2nd April 14:00-15:30

If you would like to make an appointment, please speak with
Reception.

Please sign in at the school Reception and you will be shown
through to the meeting room.

For more information please contact:

Email: Restormel.Familyhubs@cornwall.gov.uk
Call: 01872 324929



Community



Curiosity



Ambition




TO THE WOODS



Approved Provider 2024

Time2Move Easter Holiday club

Tue 7th, Wed 8th,
Tue 14th, Wed 15th Apri
Book via Playwaze



Easter holiday club, free with free school meal voucher. A day in nature, playing, learning new skills and getting creative. Lot of seasonal crafts and fun.

Hot meal and snacks provided. With fun, experienced and neurodiverse friendly staff.

Next to Justfir,
Par Moor, PL24 2SQ
www.tothewoods.co.uk

adventure@tothewoods.co.uk
charlotte.cornish@corn@gmail.com




Tywardreath Pre-School Playgroup

Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday 5th April
10am - 12 noon
The New Inn, Tywardreath

£3 per child

- Bacon Raps and Refreshments on sale
- Craft Table
- Face Painting and Glitter Tattoos £3 each
- FREE Easter Bonnet Competition
- Tombola
- Raffle

See you there!

Charity No: 1029667



NATURAL ENGLAND National Trust Cornwall Wildlife Trust NHS Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

MHST Wild Wellbeing

MHST, in collaboration with Natural England, Cornwall Wildlife Trust and National Trust, would like you to join us on a FREE Wild Wellbeing session in Cornwall.

This is for parents and children aged 5-12 in Cornwall to help understand and support emotional and mental wellbeing.
Please book EACH child on to a session

EXTRA SITES!!! Each session will last approx. 2 hours

ALERT!

Locations and dates:

- 07 April - Golitha Falls
- 07 April - The Gardeners House, Penzance
- 07 April - Lanhydrock House
- 14 & 15 April - Penrose Estate
- 16 April - St Ives Community Orchard
- 16 April - Tehidy Woods

All sessions will begin at 10am. Please wear weather appropriate clothing!

To request a place, complete the online form
<https://forms.office.com/e/CdbKBnMHOq>



Scan to sign up

Please be aware that spaces are limited and assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. If you cannot attend after being allocated a place, inform us so we can give your spot to someone else.

Follow us on Facebook for updates and upcoming events:
Cornwall Mental Health Support Team (MHST)

LONDON  MARATHON

CHARITY CONCERT

ALL PROCEEDS TO BE SHARED BETWEEN
BRISTOL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
TEENAGE CANCER TRUST
& ROYAL CORNWALL HOSPITAL TRUST

featuring

CHAMPAGNE CORNWALL CHORUS
MEVAGISSEY MALE CHOIR
AND SPECIAL GUEST
HARRY GLASSON

AT
TYWARDREATH
CHURCH
7.00pm

SATURDAY
MARCH 28th
2026

Tickets available from
www.ticketsource.co.uk

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Free Entry!

St Austell Library Spring

craft Fayre

& meet our donkey friends!

Sat 28th March, 10am-1pm

Enjoy a spot of seasonal shopping and chat with our local crafty creators

Free entry! All welcome!

St Austell Library, 2 Carlyon Rd

For more information, come to the Help Desk, call 0300 1234 111, or email staustell.library@liscornwall.org.uk

Facebook: StAustellLibrary/Instagram: staustell.library

Respect

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It all starts with... 

All Stars Cricket is the best cricket experience for **5-8 year-olds**

All kids are guaranteed to develop **new skills** while **having fun** and **making friends**

Participants receive a **personalised backpack of goodies** including a bat, ball and t-shirt!

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Calling all **8-11 year-olds!**

Dynamos Cricket is an exciting way for kids to **play, learn** cricket skills and **make new friends**

Participants receive a personalised **New Balance** shirt

Download the **Dynamos Cricket App** now

SIGN UP TODAY

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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.