



The Tywardreath School

Newsletter

for pupils, staff, parents and carers



18th September 2026



Clubs will start week beginning 21st September. For after school clubs, please complete an after school booking form, available from the office. Thank you.

Playground Fun Games	Mrs Squire	Monday 12.00-12.25	KS1 and 2
Lego and Constuction	Mrs Hazlewood	Monday 12.00-12.25	KS2
Swimming	Miss Jones and Mrs Turner	Monday 3.15-4.15	Year 5/6 Invite only
Netball	Mrs Barnes	Monday 3.15-4.15	Year 5/6 - 20 spaces
Spanish	BilinguaSing	Monday 3.15-4.15	EYFS - Year 2 (sign up on BilinguaSing website)
Quiet Club	Mrs McCormick / Miss Jones	Tuesday 12.00 - 12.25	KS1
Football	Mr Gilbert	Tuesday 3.15-4.15	Year 3 and 4 - 20 spaces Year 5 and 6 - 20 spaces
Cross Country	Mrs Clarke	Wednesday 12.00-12.25	KS2
Art	Miss Banham	Wednesday 12.00-12.25	KS2
Taiko	Mrs McCormick and Mrs Staff	Thursday 12.00-12.25	Invite only
Singing	Mrs Lang	Friday 12.00-12.25	KS1 and 2
Games	Mrs Hannaford	Friday 12.00-12.25	KS1
Green Team	Mrs McColville	Friday lunch	Invitation only



SUNBEAMS IMPORTANT REMINDER



If you do not need your child's Sunbeam space, please cancel it with the Office. We do have waiting lists and by not cancelling, we are unable to offer the space to children who need it. Please make cancellations as soon as possible. If not cancelled in a timely manner, you will still be charged.

Thank you.

Year 3 and 4 had a visit from a Roman this week! A fantastic day learning all about the life of a Roman, the Roman invasion and what they brought to Britain. The children were able to handle artefacts and try out being a Roman gladiator!



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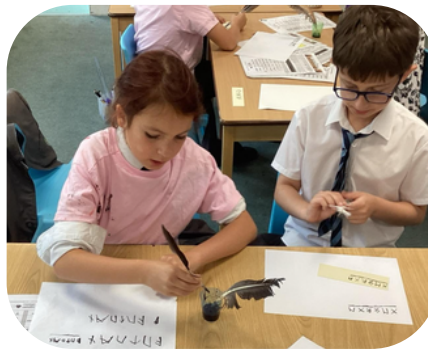
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Year 5 and 6 also had a visit from a historical person this week in the form of a Viking! An amazing day handling Viking artefacts, learning about why the Vikings invaded and settled here, learning Viking runes and games. The children finished the day with a Viking battle and learning about the Battle of Hastings.



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ATTENDANCE

	This Week	Year To Date
LG	98.10%	98.87%
Crinnis	97%	97%
Booley	96.90%	98.67%
Polmear	95.70%	97.66%
Polkerris	98%	99%
Silvermines	97.80%	96.58%
Gribbin	95.90%	96.30%
Carnjewey	96%	96.98%
Duporth	96.70%	95.26%
Menabilly	98.80%	98.52%



Y6 Camp:

If you would like your child to attend, please don't forget the non-refundable deposit is due by 25th September on ParentPay.
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Diary

September:

28th PSA AGM@7pm

October:

6th Harvest Assembly—
Foodbank

6th Flu Immunisations

12th Y3/4 Parent Drop In

13th Y5/6 Parent Drop In

15th Y1/2 Parent Drop In

16th Last day of half term

Dates

November:

2nd Children back to school

7th Fireworks

18th Parent Consultations

19th Parent Consultations

December:

18th Last day of term

2027

January:

4th INSET Day (school closed for children)



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OPEN EVENING

THURSDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER 2026
4.30PM TO 7.30PM

Be ambitious. Be a leader. Be yourself.

"Pupils excel at Penrice Academy."

Ofsted 2025



Outstanding
Provider

Register at: penriceacademy.org/open-event



Find where you **Belong!**



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CORNWALL & DEVON
School Age Immunisation Service
Provided by Kernow Health CIC

School aged vaccinations

Did you know children will be offered these routine vaccinations at school?

FLU

MMR

HPV

MENINGITIS ACWY

DIPHTHERIA TETANUS POLIO (DTP)

- ✓ **FLU** - Reception - Year 11
- ✓ **MMR** - Catch-up
- ✓ **HPV** - Year 8 - Year 11
- ✓ **Meningitis ACWY** - Year 9 - Year 11
- ✓ **Diphtheria, Tetanus, Polio (DTP)** - Year 9 - Year 11

Did you miss us?

We also have community clinics across Cornwall for:

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

Call us on

01872 221105

Kernowhealthcic.schoolimmunisation@nhs.net

TYWARDREATH SCHOOL

Dear Parent/Guardian

Your child's annual nasal flu vaccination is now due

Kernow Health CIC's School Age Immunisation Service will be delivering the annual nasal flu vaccination programme in schools across Cornwall and Devon on behalf of NHS England.

Flu can be an unpleasant illness and may lead to serious complications. Vaccinating your child not only protects them but also helps prevent the spread of flu to more vulnerable friends and family members. The flu vaccine is a quick, painless spray administered into each nostril and is known as LAIV (Live Attenuated Influenza Vaccine.)

For more information on the nasal flu vaccine please see the Patient Information Leaflet Link: [Fluenz nasal spray suspension Influenza vaccine \(live, nasal\) - Patient Information Leaflet \(PIL\) - \(emc\) | 15790](#)

Who Is Eligible?

For the 2026/27 season, all children from Reception to Year 11 will be offered the free nasal flu vaccine.

For children who are not able to receive the nasal vaccine, an inactivated flu injection is also available. For full details, including eligibility and the patient information leaflet, please visit: www.nhs.uk/child-flu

School Visit Date

We will be visiting your school on 6th October 2026

Please complete the online form by **10am on 2nd October 2026**

How to Consent

To provide consent please follow the link to your school below:

Link: <https://www.kernowimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu?schoolcode=EE141616>



Do you have a child born **between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023?**

If so, you will need to apply for a place in a reception class in September 2027 for your child by the deadline of **15 January 2027**.

The deadline for applications is **15 January 2027**



Please note: you will need to apply even if your child attends a school's nursery or pre-school class. If a school is oversubscribed the fact that a child attends a school's nursery or pre-school, or a local nursery or pre-school, does not automatically guarantee a place at that school. The school's oversubscription criteria will be used to allocate places. Visit our website or contact us for more information.

Visit www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions for more information and to access the online application system.



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Transfer to secondary school

September 2027

Applying for a place in year seven at a secondary school

The deadline for applications is **31 October 2026**



Information and guidance

Application form and information: www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions
Telephone: 0300 1234 101



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CORNWALL
Youth Choirs

CORNWALL CHILDREN'S CHOIR

CCC aims to nurture ensemble singing by exploring vocal techniques, introducing basic part-singing, and building performance confidence within a choir setting. Open to children in **KS2** from across Cornwall.

- Twice monthly session in a carousel of venues in St Austell, Falmouth, Truro, Redruth.
- Performance opportunities and social events throughout the year.

FREE Taster sessions in the first two weeks of each term.

For more information, visit www.cornwallyouthchoirs.co.uk or email admin@cornwallyouthchoirs.co.uk



DROLLYS - STORYTELLING FOR CHILDREN

DROLLYS is a new, free, monthly storytelling event from The Creation Works, for children aged 4 - 11 and their adults.

Each month one of our **fantastic performers** - or Droll Tellers - will **bring to life some well loved children's books** and traditional tales.

Each session will include 2-3 stories and games and/or **arts & crafts activities** to have a go at themed around the story.

The line up includes: Award Winning comic, Radio 4 and CBBC favourite **Joanna Neary**, BBC Eastender's **Ellijah Holloway**, Jam First theatre's **Laurence Pears**, Award winning Cornish Comic **Mimi Attenburrow**, Near Ta's **Daniel Richardson**, Cornish Clown **Kesha Pullum**... and more to be announced.

These sessions will be relaxed and informal. Fun for children and young people and for their adults. **Supporting literacy and oracy**, with funding from Arts Council England, FEAST Cornwall, Fowey Lions Club and Cornwall Council.

SCHEDULE:

Sun Sept 6th	Sun Jan 10th
Sun Oct 4th	Sun Feb 7th
Sat Oct 31st	Sun Mar 7th
Sun Nov 29th	Sat Mar 27th

ALL SESSIONS HAVE THE SAME TIMINGS:

- 10.15 Doors open
- 10.30 Session begins
- 12.00 Session ends
- 12.30 Doors close








FREE/DONATE-WHAT-YOU-LIKE: WWW.THECREATIONWORKS.COM

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.



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