



The Tywardreath School

Newsletter

for pupils, staff, parents and carers



18TH JULY 2025



Lots of fun was had by all who came to the Summer Disco! Thank you to the PSA for organising this event!

Please keep an eye on Dojo for class plans for next week. There are reading rewards, class parties, bring in a toy from home mornings amongst other things happening!



YEAR 6 CHILDREN FROM MENABILLY AND DUPORTH HAVE BEEN WORKING EXTREMELY HARD OVER THE LAST COUPLE OF WEEKS, PREPARING FOR THEIR PRODUCTION "PIRATES OF THE CURRY BEAN". THERE WILL BE A DRESS REHEARSAL FOR THE REST OF THE SCHOOL—THE CHILDREN ARE IN FOR A TREAT!



If library books are hiding under the bed, down the side of the sofa, or in the cupboard under the stairs – now is the time to hunt them out!

Please can you have a check and return any school reading books and library books as soon as possible.

We really appreciate your support this.

Thank you!

Attendance

	This Week	Year to Date
LG1	100%	95.53%
LG2	92.5%	95.99%
Crinnis	91.9%	95.59%
Booley	91.9%	94.35%
Polmear	90.6%	94.57%
Polkerris	93.8%	94.18%
Silvermines	96.8%	92.54%
Gribbin	94%	94.52%
Carnjewey	90%	96.4%
Duporth	97.1%	95.94%
Menabilly	96.6%	96.8%

SCHOOL POOL MERCH

£2

FRISBEE

£5

DRINKS BOTTLE

£3

SWIM BAG

£9.50

THE BUNDLE

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Respect

Compassion

Resilience

Diary

July

21st-22nd Y6 Production 1.30pm
23rd Last day of term

Dates

September:

1st INSET Day
2nd Children back to school

October:

17th Half Term break begins

November:

3rd Children back to school

December:

19th Last day of term



Community



Curiosity



Ambition

SUMMER ACTIVITY DAY


VANESSA GRANT TRUST

TUESDAY 29TH JULY 10-4 AT
THE CORNWALL HOTEL & SPA

LASER TAG **VR**

Arts & crafts

INFLATABLE FUN

PLUS LOADS MORE

MORE INFO HERE!


Hosted by The Vanessa Grant Trust in partnership with The Cornwall Hotel & Spa, with all donations supporting education programmes for children in Kenya.

 **PENRICE ACADEMY**

Pride
Respect
Success

OPEN EVENING
- SAVE THE DATE -
THURSDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER 2025

"Pupils excel at Penrice Academy."
Ofsted 2025
Outstanding Provider



 **NATIONAL WHOLE SCHOOL WELLBEING**
2022-2023

 **Cornwall Education Learning Trust**

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Help Your Child Discover the Joy of Reading This Summer!

This summer, give your child the chance to fall in love with reading! The **Summer Reading Challenge**, created by The Reading Agency and delivered in partnership with public libraries, is a **FREE**, fun-packed way to keep kids reading and learning all summer long.

This year's theme is **Story Garden**, where imagination blossoms and stories grow! Children will explore creativity, storytelling, and the magic of books through exciting activities and adventures.

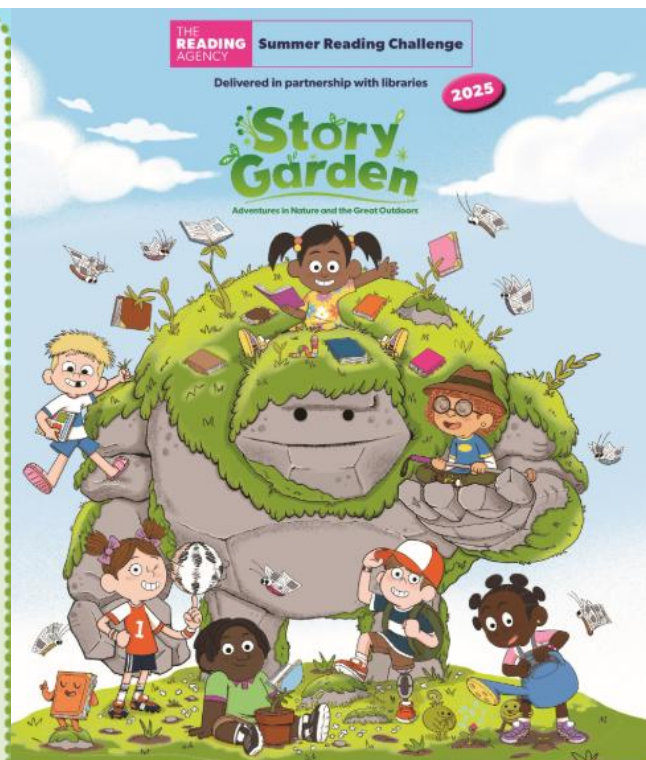
Why Join?

- It's **FREE!** Available at local libraries and online
- Inspires a **lifelong love of reading**
- Boosts **confidence, creativity, and imagination**
- Earn **rewards, certificates, and prizes**
- Fun for the whole **family**. Visit your **local library** together
- **95%** of children said they **read more** after joining!
- Children **choose their own books** to read over the summer, **collect rewards** for each milestone they reach, and **receive a certificate or medal** when they complete the challenge.



Visit your local library or go online at summerreadingchallenge.org.uk to get started from 5 July 2025.

Help your child start their reading adventure today!



summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

Runs Sat 5th July - Sat 13th Sept
FREE to join at St Austell Library!

Read six books to collect stickers, prizes AND a medal and certificate when you complete the challenge!

Read more at www.staustelllibrary.co.uk. All © The Reading Agency 2025

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Pop Up Holiday Camps through August

Softball Cricket
For children aged 8-13 years old

- Activity Days
- Competitions



SCAN HERE

8 days of softball activity - £20 per child. 10am to 3pm

Weds 6th Aug - Truro CC
Thurs 7th Aug - Callington CC
Mon 11th Aug - Mt Hawke CC
Weds 13th Aug - St Austell CC
Mon 18th Aug - Grampound Rd CC
Weds 20th Aug - Helston CC
Weds 27th Aug - Bude CC
Thurs 28th Aug - St Stephen CC

4 Tuesdays of U11 softball competition (Includes U13 Girls). Teams of six £30. 10am to 3pm

Tues 5th Aug - Redruth CC
Tues 12th Aug - Werrington CC
Tue 19th Aug - Wadebridge CC
Tues 26th Aug - Penzance CC

Contact Michelle Kent: admin@cornwallcricket.co.uk
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SUMMER FAMILY CYCLING FESTIVAL

THURSDAY 14th AUGUST

1000 TO 1400

AT PAR TRACK PL24 2PB

ON THE DAY

LEARN TO RIDE WITH ONE OF OUR INSTRUCTORS

FUN PERSONAL BEST COMPETITIONS

VISIT OUR MECHANICS FOR A FREE BIKE CHECK

LEARN NEW CYCLING SKILLS

TRY OUT OUR ADAPTIVE BIKES



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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.