



The Tywardreath School

Newsletter

for pupils, staff, parents and carers



21ST NOVEMBER 2025



£270 has been raised!
Thank you for your
kind donations to the
Children In Need
appeal!



**New date for the Aspen's
Open Afternoon:**

**Tuesday 2nd December
at 2.45pm.**



Next week (Tuesday 25th) our netball team, Y3/4 and Y5/6 football team will all be taking part in another fixture, away at Gorran School.

Team lists have been sent out this afternoon and will contain information about what time to collect from the library.

Training will continue as normal with Coach James for any footballers not playing in the match.

Please make sure your child has a warm, waterproof coat with them, particularly as the weather is so cold at the moment. We want to ensure that the children are able to get outside as much as possible!



SUNBEAMS

IMPORTANT REMINDER

We still have a number of parents/carers not cancelling Sunbeams places. **Please** make cancellations as soon as possible, as we have a number of children on waiting lists. If not cancelled in a timely manner, charges may incur.



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Next week's events:

Our lovely Parliament members have chosen to run a bake sale next Wednesday (26th November) in order to raise money for class wet play games.

We would be so grateful for any cake donations for us to sell!

Thank you!



BAKE SALE

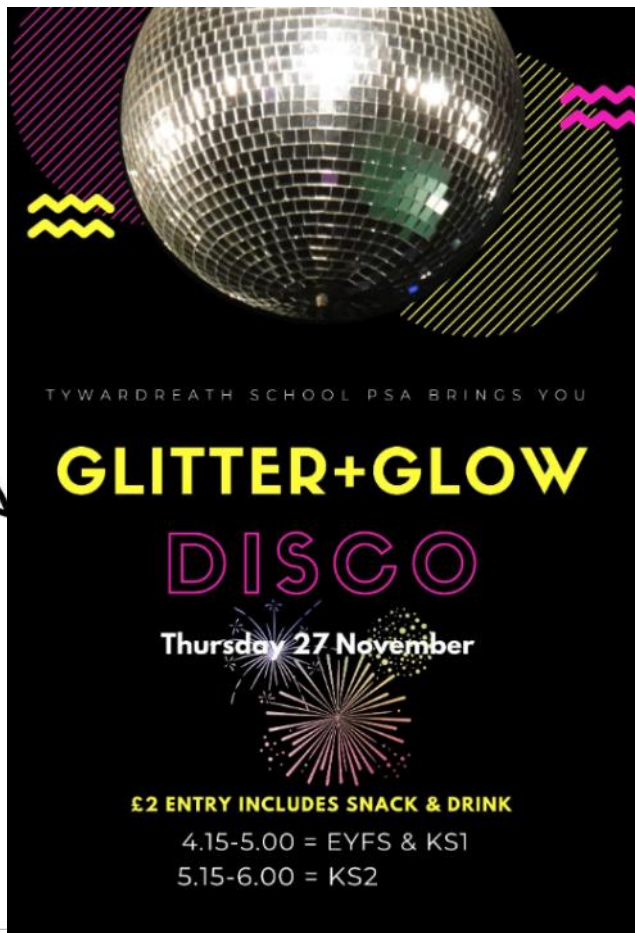
Please bring cake
Donations for us to sell
By Wednesday

Wednesday 26th November 3:15-3:30 pm

To raise money for class wet play games

No set prices- donations only

Poster made by
Matilda (Y6)



TYWARDREATH SCHOOL PSA BRINGS YOU

GLITTER+GLOW

DISCO

Thursday 27 November

£2 ENTRY INCLUDES SNACK & DRINK

4.15-5.00 = EYFS & KS1
5.15-6.00 = KS2



Non Uniform Day

Donations towards our Festive Tombola

Please come to school in non-uniform (colours optional) on
Friday 28th November

Please bring a donation in the colour of your year group to
add to our rainbow tombola for the Christmas fayre.

EYFS	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6

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If you haven't done so already, please can you download the Arbor app

and follow the instructions to login.

Initially, you will be able to see your child's attendance and personal details. Please can you check your details and edit if there are any changes.

As always, please contact the office if you have any ques-



Attendance

	This Week	Year to Date
LG1	96.09%	94.90%
LG2	91.50%	95.72%
Crinnis	97.78%	97.62%
Booley	98.80%	96.48%
Polmear	94.00%	96.13%
Polkerris	93.01%	95.88%
Silvermines	97.22%	96.58%
Gribbin	93.19%	93.77%
Carnjewey	93.83%	96.08%
Duporth	94.81%	93.52%
Menabilly	97.24%	96.16%

Diary

November:

- 25th EYFS Open Afternoon (2026 starters)
- 27th Glitter and Glow Disco
EYFS+KS1 4.15-5.00 KS2 5.15-6.00
- 28th Rainbow Non-Uniform Day
Donations for Christmas Tombola

December:

- 2nd Aspen's Open Afternoon (2.45)
- 3rd Rock Steady Concert
- 5th Christmas Jumper Day
- 5th KS1 Parent Drop In
- 10th Christmas Lunch
- 11th EYFS Nativity (am)
- 12th Family Worker Drop In
- 12th Christmas Fayre (2pm)
- 15th KS1 Sing and Sign (pm)
- 16th KS1 Sing and Sign (am)
- 17th KS1 Christmas Party
- 17th KS2 Carol Service (pm)
- 18th KS2 Carol Service (pm)
- 19th Last day of term

Dates

2026 January:

- 5th Children back to school
- 26th INSET Day

February:

- 13th Last day of half term
- 23rd Children back to school

April:

- 2nd Last day of term
- 20th Children back to school

May:

- 22nd Last day of half term

June:

- 1st Children back to school
- 19th INSET Day
- 22nd Y6 Camp

July:

- 24th Last day of term

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Free Entry!

St Austell Library Christmas

Craft Fayre

& Meet Sparkles the Unicorn!

St Austell Library
Sat 29th Nov, 10am-1pm

Local crafters and makers with stalls full of fun, creative and affordable festive gifts! Plus:

- ★ Lucky Dip ★ SALSA Pre-Loved Stall ★
- ★ Photo Arch ★ Refreshments! ★

For more information, come to the Help Desk,
e: staustell.library@liscornwall.org.uk/t: 0300 1234 111
FB: StAustellLibrary IG: staustell.library

SATURDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2025
9AM - 5PM

Santa ON THE Sand

£5 per child

Includes

- Visit Santa's Grotto (In the beach hut)
- Small Gift
- Marshmallow Toasting
- Photo opportunities

Polkerris Beach PL24 2TL

Also Available

Prize Draw
Christmas Games and Activities
Food and Drink (Not included in the price)
events@polkerrisscouts.org

Scan the QR code below to Book



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POLKERRIS BEACH
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All money raised will help support Polkerris Scout Group

PAR TRACK'S INDOOR CHRISTMAS MARKET

Join us for our first ever indoor Christmas Market! Where you'll find handmade crafts, Tombola, A sweet stall, coffee and cake and much more from Santa himself!

RAISING MONEY FOR THE MERLIN CENTRE

NOVEMBER 21ST 2025
2:00PM - 5:00PM

Stall holders set up from 1:00PM
Par Track Cafe, PL24 2PB



REINDEER RUN

EVERY STEP, EVERY DONATION, HELPS US SAVE EVERY ONE WE CAN



RNLI CORNWALL REINDEER RUN
Saturday 13th December 2025
Par Racetrack PL24 2PB
Sign up today at






Sponsored by polymer

children's hospice SOUTH WEST

Santas on the Run

Experience the magic of a festive fun run at the Eden Project on Sunday 7 December





Sign up today www.chsw.org.uk/santas

THE FIRST CULTURAL CENSUS OF PAR, ST BLAZEY & TYWARDREATH

With support from a Get Involved Award from the University of Plymouth, The Creation Works / Hwel An Gwrians is undertaking research that will inform how the organisation works in the future.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We'd like to hear what you think about what there is to do, see and take part in, here in the Par Bay Area. We'd like to know what you would like to see happening here in the future.

HAVE YOUR SAY!

Scan the QR code or fill the survey online:
<https://forms.office.com/e/zdizszSadW>



You can also choose to take part in a case-study interview to help us even further. Simply opt-in to an interview when completing the survey.

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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.