



NEWSLETTER

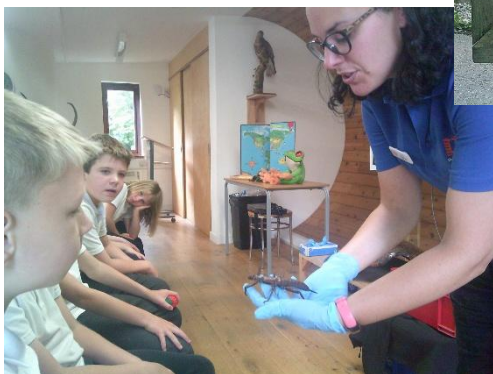
Friday 12th June 2026

Dear Parents / Carers,

We have had a disappointing week with the weather and unfortunately this has meant we have had to postpone both of our Sports Days. We will rearrange them and let you know the dates as soon as possible.

YEAR 4 Trip to Dartmoor Zoo

Last Friday, Year 4 enjoyed their final trip of the school year to Dartmoor Zoo. During the visit, the children took part in two engaging and informative workshops focusing on animal classification and adaptation. They had a fantastic time identifying how different animals are classified and were especially excited to meet some of the zoo's smaller animals up close. The children also thoroughly enjoyed exploring the zoo and learning about the wide variety of animals they saw. Many were particularly interested in seeing the capybaras and the lions, which proved to be highlights of the day. It was a memorable experience and a wonderful way to round off a successful year of learning.



CAREERS DAY – Monday 15th June

On Monday, we are holding our Careers Day. We would like the children to come to school dressed as what they would like to be when they grow up! Whether that's a doctor, chef, firefighter, teacher, engineer, accountant, artist or anything else, we can't wait to see their ambitions and creativity on display.



Star Learners



The children have been fantastic this week and they have been chosen for a variety of reasons.

Reception – Celaeb for working so hard to improve the quality of his writing

Year 1 – Lucas for amazing effort and confidence with his reading

Year 2 – Autumn for improving her writing and working hard on her letter formation

Year 3 – Chiedozie for having such a great attitude with his reading and phonics

Year 4 – Maisie for working so hard on learning her times tables

Year 5 – Stella for working hard and showing determination with her maths work on shape

Year 6 – Max for continued hard work and effort

Well done everyone!

NURSERY SEPTEMBER 2026

Do you have a 2 or 3 year old? 🧸

Join us for our Nursery Open Day! 📅

Come and explore our warm, welcoming environment where little learners grow, play, and thrive. Meet our friendly team, discover our engaging activities, and see how we support every child's early development.

Please share this event with anyone you know who may be interested. We look forward to welcoming new and existing families to Pondhu.



**Pondhu
Nursery
Open Day**



Meet our Early Years team and have a tour of our brand new indoor and outdoor spaces.

**Thursday 18th June
1.30pm**

**Contact us:
01726 74550**

Spaces for
2 and 3 year olds
available!

St Austell Festival of Children's

Literature

Today our pupils attended author events as part of the St Austell Festival of Children's Literature Schools' Day.

Reception, KS1 and Year 3 attended an event at Sandy Hill Academy with author Sarah Tagholm linked to her book 'Where Are My Massive Flying Wings?'

The rest of KS2 attended an event at Carclaze Community Primary with author Ben Davis linked to his book 'Postman Planet'.

They had a great time with the authors talking about their books.

We would also like to encourage you to attend the festival's Family Day on Saturday 13th June. It promises to be a wonderful opportunity to enjoy a day celebrating books and reading together. Visit the website on the following link to see what is happening this weekend. [2026 Family Day - St Austell Festival of Children's Literature](#)

ATTENDANCE

EYFS/KS1 ARIAL



WINNER - Montessori

KS2 ALFIE



WINNER - Attenborough

Attendance this week

Montessori (R/Y1) – 96.2%

Jemison (Y1/2) – 94.3%

Attenborough (Y3) – 99%

Franklin (Y4) – 95.4%

Shackleton (Y5) – 93.2%

QE II (Y6) – 89.4%

Whole School - 93.8%



BRITISH VALUES CHAMPIONS

Reception / Year 1 – Warren for always being polite and respectful to others

Year 1 / 2 – Ivy for showing kindness and respect to her friends

Year 3 – Sharon for always following our Golden Rules

Year 4 – Archie for being a respectful learner

Year 5 – Jack for being a good friend to others and for showing respect to everyone at all times

Year 6 – Harvey for being a great team player in the football tournament



Well done to our British values champions!

SUMMER 2 TRIPS

Wednesday 24th June Year 5 and 6 Minack theatre

Thursday 25th June Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Heligan

Friday 10th July Year 3 Eden Project

Read Write Inc Virtual Classroom



Please find this week's Virtual Classroom video links in the document attached to this newsletter. These links enable children in Reception to Year 3 to practise their reading skills with you at home. They directly link to the skills they have been learning during their daily Read Write Inc sessions. You should be able to just click on the hyperlinks within the document and be taken straight to a video clip. Please set aside 10 minutes to watch films with your child each week, find a quiet space for your child to watch the film on a laptop, phone or tablet and praise your child as they join in with the lesson. Please see the diary dates for the upcoming parent information sessions where you can find out more information about Read Write Inc.



MHST Presents:

NHS
Cornwall Partnership
NHS Foundation Trust

PARENT TRANSITION WORKSHOPS

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD'S MOVE FROM PRIMARY TO SECONDARY SCHOOL



1. MANAGING ANXIETY & WORRIES



Help your child navigate fears and emotions

2. BUILDING RESILIENCE & CONFIDENCE



Boost self-esteem and coping skills for the new environment

3. ESTABLISHING ROUTINES & INDEPENDENCE



Practical strategies for new school days and daily changes

4. COMMUNICATION & WELLBEING



Staying connected and supporting mental health

WORKSHOP DATES

22 June - 10am 6 July - 6pm
6 July - 10am 15 July - 3:30pm

LOCATION

ONLINE Via MS Teams

FREE

to attend for all Year 6 Parents

HOW TO BOOK

Visit: <https://forms.office.com/e/RW086ziqFX>
or scan the QR code



Register Today! Support your child's wellbeing during this important milestone.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 15th June – Careers Day

Monday 15th June – Year 1/2 Rounders @ Poltair

Tuesday 16th June – Whole School photograph

Wednesday 17th June – Cornish Pirates workshop

Thursday 18th June – Nursery Open Afternoon

Wednesday 24th June 2026 Nursery Fathers' Day picnic

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Rachel Clift



Where we laugh, learn and grow