



NEWSLETTER

Friday 5th June 2026

Dear Parents / Carers,

As we begin our final term of the academic year, we are looking forward to what promises to be an exciting and busy few weeks ahead. The summer term is always packed with memorable experiences and opportunities for our children, including educational trips, residential camps, Sports Days and this year we are also holding a Sports Fair and a Careers Day. Alongside these special events, we will also be welcoming families to Parents' Evenings and celebrating our Year 6 pupils as they prepare for the next stage of their journey through a range of leavers' events. We encourage everyone to keep an eye on upcoming dates and communications as we make the most of this fantastic term together.

YEAR 5/6 ROUNDERS

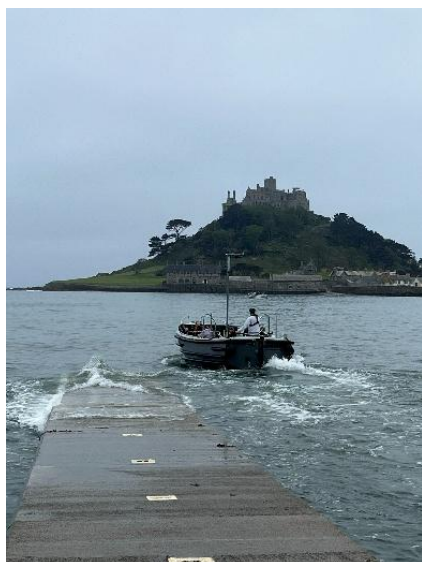
On Monday 1st June a group of year 5 and year 6 children took part in a rounders event at Poltair school. They participated in two different types of rounders: traditional rounders and Dutch rounders. Despite the pouring rain, the team got stuck in and enjoyed both games, working well together and representing Pondhu in the best way possible. Well done to everyone who took part!

YEAR 3 / 4 TRIP TO ST.MICHAEL'S MOUNT

Year 3 and 4 enjoyed a fantastic trip to St Michael's Mount on the Friday before half term. We travelled to and from the mount by boat, which was a very exciting experience for everyone.

During our visit, we learnt about the legend of the giant and his heart, discovering the fascinating stories that make St Michael's Mount so special. We also explored the castle, finding out about its rich history and enjoying the wonderful views.

The children were enthusiastic, curious, and represented the school brilliantly. It was a memorable day full of learning and adventure!



CAREERS DAY – Monday 15th June

We are excited to be holding a Careers Day on Monday 15th June and are looking for parents, carers and members of our community to come into school and talk to the children about their jobs and career journeys.

We would love to hear from people working in all kinds of professions and trades. Volunteers do not need to stay all day — even an hour would make a huge difference. Visitors will be asked to talk about what they do, the qualifications or training they needed, and what they enjoy about their work.

We would also 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.

If you would be interested in speaking at our Careers Day, please contact the school office.



Star Learners



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

Reception – Warren for making a great start at Pondhu by trying hard with all of his learning

Year 1 – Riley for being really engaged and fully participating in all lessons this week

Year 2 – Scarlett for putting in so much effort with all of her learning and being so proud of herself

Year 3 – Milly for trying really hard with her learning especially in Winning with Number

Year 4 – Lara for working so hard on her times tables and being a Lovely class member.

Year 5 – Liv for working hard in her writing and for fantastic focus in all areas of her learning

Year 6 – Caleb for working hard and making improved choices

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

On the morning of Friday 12th June, our pupils will be attending author events as part of the St Austell Festival of Children's Literature Schools' Day. Please sign into ParentPay to consent for your child's attendance to the events.

Reception and KS1 will be attending an event at Sandy Hill Academy with author Sarah Tagholm linked to her book 'Where Are My Massive Flying Wings?'

KS2 will be attending an event at Carclaze Community Primary with author Ben Davis linked to his book 'Postman Planet'.

If you would like your child to purchase a book for the above events, please use the ordering link: [St Austell Festival of Children's Literature - Schools' Day 2026 - Reading Rocks](#)

The ordering link will close at 6:00pm on Wednesday 10th June. Orders cannot be accepted after this deadline, so please place your order in good time to avoid disappointment. There is no postage and packaging charge. Books will be delivered directly to the event and given to children when they attend. All book orders must be placed through the online link. There will be no cash sales available on the day.

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. Thank you for your support.

ATTENDANCE

EYFS/KS1 ARIAL



WINNER - Montessori

KS2 ALFIE



WINNER – Franklin & QEII

Attendance this week

Montessori (R/Y1) – 95.2%

Jemison (Y1/2) – 94.5%

Attenborough (Y3) – 91%

Franklin (Y4) – 95.7%

Shackleton (Y5) – 94.2%

QEII (Y6) – 95.7%

Whole School – 94%

BRITISH VALUES CHAMPIONS

Reception / Year 1 – Luna for following the Golden Rules and trying hard with her learning

Year 1 / 2 – Abike for following the Golden Rules and encouraging others to do the same

Year 3 – Lowenna for being kind and respectful to all members of the class

Year 4 – Zara for being respectful to her peers

Year 5 – Jesse for being a kind and consistently positive member of the class

Year 6 – Max for being respectful and kind to others



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

SPORTS DAYS

Due to the terrible weather forecast the Nursery, EYFS and KS1 sports day has been rescheduled for Thursday the 11th June at 2pm.

Key Stage 2 is on Friday 12th June at 2pm



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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 8th June – Year 3/4 Rounders at Poltair

Thursday 11th June – Nursery, Reception and KS1 Sports @ 2pm

Friday 12th June – KS2 Sports @2pm

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



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