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Perranporth School





Considerate Parking

Unfortunately, this week we received a call from the police informing us of an unpleasant altercation between some of our parents over parking. The police have kindly asked us to request that parents always park with consideration of our neighbours and with careful regard for the safety of our children. Additionally, they have also asked us to remind parents to set a good

example in relation to their behaviour and language, especially when there are young ears in the vicinity.

Every year we experience a number of 'near misses' when children cross the roads around the school site. Crossing between cars that are parked inconsiderately or encouraging children to nip out of cars and rush across roads is very dangerous. As ever, thank you for your support in keep our children safe.

New Perranporth Academy

This week we heard some very exciting news about the new secondary school being built in Perranporth! There is now a new school website and school logo! Perranporth Academy is planned to open ready for September 2026 and we have been asked to encourage parents to view the site to find



out more information and see the digital school designs. There is also a frequently asked questions section which may help prospective families with their plans for secondary education. The website can be viewed here: Perranporth Academy - Home

New Diamond Sixes!

In order to ensure that our Diamond Rules are being followed and to help our school run smoothly; twice per year

we elect six children from Year 6 to be our Diamond Sixes and two deputies. Earlier this term, the children in Year 6 had the opportunity to deliver a speech to the entire school to explain why they thought they would be a good candidate for the role. It is no easy task to stand in front of over two hundred people and speak about your qualities and suitability for such a prestigious position. However the children were very brave and did a brilliant job. In fact the speeches were so good, it gave the other members of the school an almost impossible task of voting for the people they felt would do the job best of all. On Monday this week, after all votes were counted (and counted again), the six candidates with



the most votes were revealed in assembly. Perranporth School's Diamond Sixes for the first half of the year are: Caspar, Manu, Seb, Evan, Emily and Evie with deputies Blake, and Maisie.

We would like to wish them all well in their new roles and congratulate them on their appointments!

End of Day Routines

We really don't wish to be unsociable, but we need to request that parents and families leave the school premises promptly after they collect their children. In order to comply with our safeguarding risk assessments, before we can begin our after school clubs, it is important to know that the playground gates are secured and any unknown adults have left. Huge apologies to those families who enjoy the extra playing time on the equipment or a friendly catch up with other parents, we hope you understand.

Thank you for your support.

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KS2 - Rocket Reading Rewards!



As parents will know, at Perranporth School we love reading! To encourage children to read more regularly, in the past we have had our Millionaire Reader's Club for those reading 1 million words. Well this year we are changing things up a little bit!

Please welcome... 'Rocket Reading Rewards'!!!

Over the next week, children in KS2 will be given a Rocket Reading Target. This target is entirely bespoke to each child's reading ability.

Each AR book that a child reads is worth a number of points which will then take the child a step closer to achieving their target after they finish the book and pass their quiz. The more books that are read, the further their rocket moves until... BLAST OFF! The target is met!

Children will be able to see the value of each book from the label on the inside cover. They will also be able to monitor their own progress towards their target by watching their rocket move along when they log into their AR profile. Children who meet their Rocket Target will be invited to participate in a special reward towards the end of each term!

So reading rocketeers... get ready for blast off and get reading!!!



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Learning - Engaged - Aspiring - Proud

Cross Country - Y5 & Y6

On Wednesday this week children in Year 5 and Year 6 represented Perranporth brilliantly at the first Newquay School cross country race of the season. We're used to telling parents how terrible the weather was at the event, but on this occasion it was absolutely glorious! In fact, the children got a little bit too hot whilst running their races! Despite the heat, Perranporth's runners gave tremendous performances and achieved lots of top places too! What's more, we were very Proud of their brilliant sporting behaviour and encouragement of one another. Well done Team Perranporth!









First Family Friday

Last week we all really enjoyed our first Family Friday! This is a new addition to our timetable in which we are trying to develop more opportunities for children to support and encourage one another. Nurture has always been a very important part of our Perranporth GREEN Curriculum. So by mixing children from Y1 to Y6 for some different fun and co-operative learning activities, we saw wonderful nurturing and encourage-



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ment throughout the afternoon. Children participated in a range of activities and worked alongside each other beautifully in their family groups.

Going forwards, children will remain in their family groups, but visit a different teacher for a different experience every Friday afternoon!

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Inspirational Parents

It's not just the children at Perranporth School who are incredible LEAP learners, we have lots of inspiring parents too!

Last weekend a group of parents took part in a fantastic fundraising event for the RNLI. The event involved swimming a 1.5 mile (2400m) loop from the beach at Marazion, all the way around St Michaels Mount and back to the beach!

Jonas & Ayla's mum, Posy,

Ludo & Manu's mum, Mel,

Orelle's mum, Laura,

lggy & Jesse's mum and dad, Abi and Ben,

And Fred's (who was in Y6 last year) mum Liz.

As we all know, the RNLI is a wonderful charity that helps keep us all so safe on our beaches, so this achievement is not only an incredible inspiration to our children, but also a great way to support such a worthy cause.

We'd like to share a huge Perranporth well done to all! You're amazing!







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Aspirations Day - Help Needed!

Do you have an interesting role that might

inform and inspire the children at Perranporth?

To help us with our school LEAP vision, last year we organised a brilliant Aspirations Day involving lots of different members of our school and local community. This year, we'd like to do it again!



We'd like to help the children to develop their aspirations for their futures by learning about some different professions, roles, skills, interesting talents, hobbies or pastimes. We would like to do this by inviting any willing members of our parent and family community to come up to school and speak to groups of children and share information about their roles. We're hoping a for a wide range of support with no particular agenda, just variety, interest and aspiration!

We've set a date for Wednesday 23rd October (so there's plenty of time to make any arrangements needed). If you would be willing to support us on this day, please let your child's teacher know so that we can get planning. Many thanks.

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Attendance Matters

School Attendance Reminder



As parents will know from previous newsletters, good school attendance is extremely important and something we try very hard to work with parents to maintain. We would like to remind parents that we are not able to authorise children's absence for the purpose of holiday during term time. It is important that parents understand that if they remove their child from school and incur

unauthorised absences, they may be subject to a fixed penalty notice as explained on our Absence Request Form. In line with government regulations, Cornwall Council has issued fixed penalty notices to members of our school community already this academic year.

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.

If your child is further absent from school without authorisation within any 3-year period, you will be committing a further 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 for a second offence are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £160, payable within 28 days.

Importantly, fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action such as a parenting order or prosecution will be considered.

Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may also result in legal action. If you are prosecuted and attend court because your child has not been attending school, you could get a fine of up to £2,500. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.

Absence not authorised by the school may also 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. Again, Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.

Money raised from fines is only used by the local authority to cover the costs of administering the system, and to fund attendance support. Any extra money is returned to the government.

'Parent' as set out in Section 576 of the Education Act 1996, defines parent to include: natural parents, whether they are married or not; any person or body who has parental responsibility for a child (as defined by the Children Act 1989) and; any person who, although not a natural parent, has care of a child. Having care of a child means a person with whom a child lives and who looks after a child, irrespective of what their relationship is with said child.

Please ensure the School Office are notified of all planned absences by completing the appropriate Absence Request Form from our the School Office or website: LOA-Exceptional Circumstances Leave Request Form (perranporth.cornwall.sch.uk) Many thanks

Wraparound Care is on the way...

Parents will know that for a long time we have operated a successful Breakfast Club for children to attend before school. Well, last year we had a number of parents responding to our annual parent survey requesting that the school look into supporting an after school care provision. We have listened very carefully to this feedback and during the summer we made a bid to Cornwall Council for some grant funding to support just such a provision. We're very pleased to share that our bid was accepted and so now we can begin planning the start of a new after school care club and begin a recruitment process for an adult leader and support too.



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Our plan is for the club to begin in January, after the Christmas break. Although this is a little while away at the moment, we wanted to share our start date so that parents can factor this in to any plans they may need to make for the future.

Breakfast Club will continue to run from 7.45am to 8.30am and the After School Club will run from 3.15– 5.45pm with a maximum of 16 places.

Please continue to watch this space for more updates later on in the term.