

Welcome Back & Happy New Year!

A very warm welcome back after the Christmas break and Happy New Year too! It has been lovely to see everyone back at school, fresh faced and ready to begin the Spring Term! We're sure that 2025 will be another fantastic year at Perranporth School!



Perranporth Community Primary School

The G.R.E.E.N. Curriculum

Growing – Relevant – Environment – Engaging – Nurture

Our Perranporth GREEN Curriculum has got off to a fantastic start this week for the beginning of the Spring Term! To try to make sure the children have lots of 'engaging' learning experiences, there were several exciting things happening this week. Children in Year 3 came to school dressed as all sorts of brilliant animals for the start of their very interesting 'Predators' topic. Whilst children in Reception and Year 5 had an experience that was 'out of this world' with a visit from the Explorer Dome. Inside children learned all about space, the planets and the cosmos! This was the perfect start to the children's science learning and a brilliant way to fire up their curiosity for the new learning ahead this half term.



KS2 - Rocket Reading Rewards!



Our Rocket Reading Rewards will continue this term in KS2!

Over the next week, children will be given a Rocket Reading Target. This target is entirely bespoke to each child's reading ability and usually requires around 15 minutes of reading each day to complete. 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 can 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 the term! So reading rocketeers... get ready for blast off and get reading!!!

Perranporth Community Primary School

L.E.A.P.

Learning – Engaged – Aspiring – Proud

LEAP - Be Proud Day!

What makes you, you?

We all have hobbies, talents, traditions, beliefs, cultures, heritage and knowledge that make us and our families special. We want to know about them!

At Perranporth we are very proud of every member of our school community and the individuality they bring, but we are aware that the school day doesn't always allow for this to be celebrated as much as we'd like. To support our PSHE and LEAP learning on Friday, 31st January we want to spend a day exploring these special things with our 'Be Proud Day'!

Leading up to Be Proud Day, children will work with their friends and teachers to think about what makes them special and proud. They will then be asked to record a short video explaining or showing this for their home learning task to be shared on their Class Dojo Portfolio. On Friday, 31st January the children can come to school in a way that celebrates what they are proud of and they will have a chance to present their videos to their classmates.



So what are we looking for? It could be anything from a hobby to a language. It could be a belief that is special for you and your family. Or maybe there's a super skill that you have!

This isn't just for children. Parents we want to hear from you too! Please feel to participate in your child's video or create your own! The aim is to create a celebration of our whole school community in an exciting, emphatic, respectful and inclusive way. We are all so proud to be members of our school community and cannot wait to celebrate what makes Perranporth such a special place!

Here are a few ideas from our staff community: gardening, biking, cooking, baking, swimming, running, speaking French, creating art works, photography, stage productions, dance, having family members from a different country or culture, being born or lived abroad, practising yoga, surfing and many more!

Get your thinking caps on, and be proud!

After School Clubs

After school clubs will start from Monday 13th January. With the start of a new term we feel now is a good time to set some expectations to ensure that clubs are enjoyable for everyone participating. Unfortunately, last term it was noted that behaviour from some children at our clubs was not what we'd expect in school and we don't want this to spoil the experience for other children attending. We are therefore implementing some club behaviour

stages to keep clubs fun and safe for everyone.

Stage 1 – In the event of poor behaviour, the child will receive a verbal warning. Continuation of poor behaviour may require 'time out' and parents informed either face to face or via Dojo message

Stage 2 – If there are further incidents of poor behaviour in subsequent club sessions, the child will be asked to sit out the remainder of the session. Parents will be contacted by a member of staff to discuss the issue, enlist support and try to find a resolution to ensure good behaviour going forwards.

Stage 3 – If on the child's return to club, behaviour has still not improved, parents will receive further contact from a member of staff to explain that the child can no longer attend that after school club. Refunds will be given for any remaining sessions missed as necessary.

We hope that parents can appreciate that these are not actions we ever wish to take and hopefully never will.

However, it is important that clubs remain safe and enjoyable for all children. As ever, thank you for your support.

Perranporth Community Primary School

Perranporth Community Primary School

News from The Lighthouse

Our new Wraparound Care Club, 'The Lighthouse', had its' first sessions this week. It was brilliant to see children having such a fun time after school!

The Lighthouse sessions are available:

Monday to Friday (Term time only)

Session 1 — 15:15pm to 16:15pm — £4.00

Session 2 — 16:15pm to 17:45pm — £6.00

Full session — 15:15pm to 17:45pm — £10.00

Children enjoy a variety of great activities, such as games, arts and crafts, time outdoors, music, cooking and much more! There's also snacks and a drink for hungry tummies and lots of chill out time too!

For those working parents who wish to make use of our Wraparound Care provision, you may be interested in the link below which gives details of the Tax-Free Childcare costs available from the Government. <https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare> This scheme contributes 20% towards your childcare costs.

If you intend to use this scheme, please do not make payment via ParentPay. Please send us your child's Voucher Code for our records and pay through your Childcare Account.



School Uniform

As we begin this new term, please can we request that children come to school wearing their full school uniform. We're very proud of our uniform and would like to ensure that children look smart each and every day. This means that children should be wearing:

- Black footwear (without other bright colours or designs)
- Green school jumpers, cardigans or fleeces (these should be named)
- No jewellery and only stud earrings (no rings, necklaces etc)
- Long hair should be tied up and back, with green or black hair accessories and no extreme haircuts or colours.
- No nail varnish.
- Sports/PE shirts - the Perranporth green sports shirts ensure children look smart on their PE days. On colder days, children should wear their school jumper on top of their sports shirt (not hoodies, or other jumpers) and black shorts or black jogger bottoms/leggings. If your child's shirt has become damaged or needs to be replaced, new shirts can be purchased at Keywear in Truro.



Please also remember to name all items of your child's school uniform - it's much easier to return it whenever it gets lost.

As ever, thank you for your support.

Perranporth Community Primary School

Perranporth Community Primary School

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 penalty notice as explained on our Leave of Absence Request Form. In line with government regulations, Cornwall Council has issued 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. 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.'

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 Primary - Exceptional Circumstances Leave Request Form](#)

As our school now has to monitor 'broken weeks' of children's attendance; when children incur two or more broken weeks, staff will contact parents to offer any support available.

Lateness:

We would also like to request that parents and families make every effort to arrive at school on time, between 8:30am and 8:45am. It's always best for children to have a calm and settled start to their day and this really helps set their learning day up properly too.

Lateness causes lots of disruptions in classrooms and is also lost learning time too.

Parents should also note that arrivals after 9.15am have to be marked in registers as

'unauthorised absence' for the morning session.



Pantomime in Perranporth Presents
The Wizard of Oz
13th - 16th February 2025

PRICES
ADULTS - £7.50
CHILDREN - £5.50

SHOWS
THURSDAY 13TH FEBRUARY - 7PM
FRIDAY 14TH FEBRUARY - 7PM
SATURDAY 15TH FEBRUARY - 2PM & 7PM
SUNDAY 16TH FEBRUARY - 2PM

Tickets
Online: www.ticketsource.co.uk/pips
or from Snippets, Perranporth

Perranporth Community Primary School