

Perranporth Community Primary School

L.E.A.P

Learning – Engaging – Aspiring – Proud

At Perranporth we're always looking for opportunities for our LEAP learners and last Friday, the children in Reception and Year 5 had a wonderful experience to help them with their topic **Learning** and **Aspiring** too. To support their learning on 'space', Dr Melissa Quinn (Robin's mum), who previously worked at Spaceport Cornwall, came in to tell the children all about the job that she now does which is all about trying to clean up space! She has the very important roles of making sure that satellites don't collide and is also trying to clean up space debris. The children even learned about zombie satellites! It was a very inspiring talk indeed and will really help our children with their learning. We'd like to share a huge thank you to Dr Quinn for giving up her time to share her amazing role with us. Thank you!

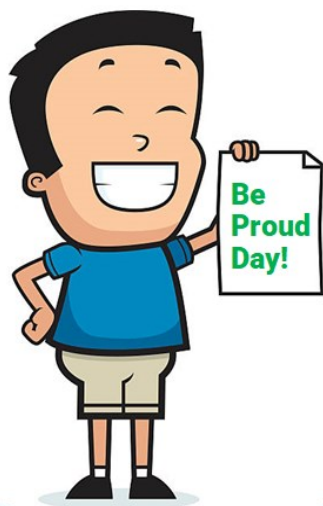


LEAP - Be Proud Day!

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 their 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, having been born or lived abroad, practising yoga, surfing and many more!

Get your thinking caps on and be proud!

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News from The Lighthouse

The Lighthouse Club has continued this week with even more children attending and enjoying the fun! We would like to introduce you to Mrs Knights who, alongside Miss Williams and Mr Le Page is leading our wraparound care and creating lots of exciting plans and experiences for the children attending The Lighthouse.

Unlike our other afterschool clubs, children can attend The Lighthouse on a 'need basis', they do not need to be signed up for a whole term. If you need a regular slot each week, or just a one off childcare cover afternoon, The Lighthouse can help! It's flexible to whatever parents need. Just book your child's place through the Arbor Parent Portal or contact the School Office for more information.

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

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.



The Big Garden Birdwatch

Last week in assembly, Mr McGowan shared with children in KS2 all about the upcoming RSPB 'Big Garden Birdwatch'. The Big Garden Birdwatch is the world's largest garden wildlife survey. Every year, hundreds of thousands of nature lovers like you can take part, helping to build a picture of how garden birds are faring. The big weekend is coming up between the 24th -26th January. If you and your family would like to get involved, please follow this link for more information: [Big Garden Birdwatch | Register](#)

Most spotted in 2024

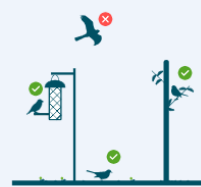
-  House Sparrow
1,442,300
-  Blue Tit
1,094,401
-  Starling
879,006

How to take part

- 1 Get your free guide and stock up on supplies, with 20% off and free delivery on food and feeders at the RSPB shop.
- 2 Spend an hour watching the birds in your patch, between 24 and 26 January, and record the birds that land.
- 3 Tell us what you saw (even if that's nothing at all)! You can submit your results online or by post.



Choose an hour between
24 and 26 January



Only record the birds that
land in your patch



Record the highest number
of each bird species you
see at any one time

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Nut Free School

Please can we remind parents and families that we are a nut free school. Children who suffer from nut allergies can develop a severe, potentially life-threatening allergic reaction. If someone has a nut allergy it is not just eating nuts that can cause a severe reaction, just being touched on the skin or smelling the breath of someone who has had nuts or a product containing nuts can be a trigger. So please can we politely ask that we have no nuts or nut products in the lunch boxes or brought into the school as treats. Thank you for your support.



Jeps Spring Cake Rota

January
17th - Reception
24th - Year 6
31st - Year 1

February
7th - Year 5
14th - Year 2

All cakes 50p
(no nuts please)



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



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Term Dates & Calendar 2025/26

Below you will see the term dates for 2025-2026. You will see that TPAT is using a different pattern of dates next year which creates a two week break over the October half term. This has been achieved by returning to school in September two days early and adding an additional day to the end of the summer term. We are also using two training days (which teachers will work as 'twilight' training). Overall, the number of days the school is open to children has not changed. We feel this pattern has a number of advantages for children and families:

1. The Autumn Term felt very long this year. We found children were tired and flagging for the final week before half term and noticed that across our Trust, pupil absence increased. We think it will be helpful therefore to lengthen the holiday in this term, ensuring children get a good opportunity to recuperate midway through.
2. We know that families are increasingly asking us for term time holidays. In line with Department for Education guidance, we cannot authorise absence for term time holidays. We have noticed how expensive holidays are during school term times, and how much cheaper they are in other weeks. We also know that some parents find it difficult to take time off during school holiday periods. We hope that the additional week in the October half term will help families have a chance to take a more affordable holiday, and reduce the time children miss from school.

By having all our TPAT schools using the same term dates, we hope this will help families who have children in both our primary and secondary schools. This pattern of term dates has been used really successfully by a number of primary and secondary schools in Cornwall and we hope it will bring similar benefits to our pupils and families. We will review this at the end of the Autumn Term in 2025 before deciding on our dates for the following year.

Perranporth School Calendar 2025/26

September 2025							October 2025							November 2025							December 2025							
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May 2026							June 2026							July 2026							August 2026							
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CORNWALL COUNCIL <small>Local Council</small>		Together for Families	
School holidays			
Bank holidays			
Christmas Day		25 December 2025	
Boxing Day		26 December 2025	
New Years Day		01 January 2026	
Good Friday		03 April 2026	
Easter Monday		06 April 2026	
May Bank Holiday		04 May 2026	
Spring Bank Holiday		25 May 2026	
Summer Bank Holiday		31 August 2026	
Bank Holidays highlighted in pink			
Autumn Term			
1 st September – 19 th Dec 2025 (Half Term 20 th – 31 st Oct)			
Spring Term			
5 th January – 2 nd April 2026 (Half Term 16 th - 20 th Feb 2026)			
Summer Term			
20 th April – 24 th July 2026 (Half Term 25 th – 29 th May 2026)			

Perranporth School INSET Days (highlighted in **Yellow**) school closed:

- Mon 1st Sept 2025
- Mon 20th – Fri 24th Oct 2025
- Mon 24th Nov 2025
- Wed 25th Feb 2026

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February Half Term Clubs



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Mon 17th
February
2025

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Thurs 20th
February
2025

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Fri 21st
February
2025

DT Sports Coaching will be offering Holiday Camps at Perranporth C.P. School this February Half Term, exclusively for Year 1 - 6 students that attend Perranporth C.P. School.

Bookings

Bookings can be made one of two ways:

- by completing and returning a Parental Consent Form to the School (please ask the School for a copy of the form); or
- online by visiting www.dtcoaching.co.uk/clubs. This will take you through to the online booking system.

9am - 3pm

Just
£25.00
per day!

If you would like any more information or have any problems booking, please do not hesitate to contact DT Sports Coaching on:

Email: clubsedtcoaching.co.uk

Phone: 01872 360706



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