





11th October 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

None of us here in school, can quite believe how quickly this term is flying by, and once again it has been another busy one!

At the beginning of the week, Mrs Morgan was busy having a close look at phonics teaching around the school. Mrs Morgan is our resident expert in phonics and was really pleased with the learning that she saw. Remember that you can really support your child with their phonics and reading by spending a little time with them each night. Little and often really does make a huge difference!

On Monday we were also pleased to welcome PC Rees back to school, to give our Mighty Oaks some reminders about staying safe online and social media use. We are grateful for his time; he received a lovely welcome from the children.

This week we also transformed our school hall into a polling station, as we elected the first representatives of Pupil Parliament – Chacewater's own Prime Ministers. We had several candidates, who were brave enough to speak in front of the whole school, deliver their 'campaign speech'. I was very proud of everyone, who put themselves forward, the votes were incredibly close. Congratulations to Sky, Jacob and Freddie this time around.







This week we have also been thinking about everyone's mental health, while we marked World Mental Health Day and wore yellow to school! We had a great day and spent time in our classes talking about how our mental health is as important as our physical health.









As always, I hope you all have a great weekend.

Mr Hick

<u>Dyslexia Awareness</u>

This week we have been thinking about dyslexia and how all of our brains our unique. While dyslexia might present some challenges for people it also come with it's own set of superpowers. Did you know that the dyslexic brain is generally larger than the typical brain making it highly skilled in recognising complex patterns in images and remembering pictures? The dyslexic memory is brilliant at mechanical and technical construction and design.



In assembly we watched a brilliant video 'See Dyslexia Differently' which you can find here. We had some sound issues in assembly and I did say that I would share the video here so that the children could watch it again.

For parents/carers there is also a fantastic information pack from the British Dyslexia Association which you can access here.

NSPCC Kindness Challenge



Next week we will be taking part in the NSPCC Kindness Challenge. Whether children play a game with a new friend or help someone with their learning, it all helps create a better world. Our children will be encouraged to pick up to nine kind acts, and complete these acts next week at school and at home. Let's Kickstart kindness this October, and watch it spread throughout the year.

Harvest Festival



On Tuesday, next week, 15th October we will be holding two short harvest celebrations at Chacewater Church. One for key stage 2 at 1.30pm and one for reception and key stage 1 at 2.15pm. Parents and carers are welcome to attend these but please be mindful of available space in the church. During this week we will be taking a collection of goods for Truro Foodbank in school.

At the moment the foodbank is urgently in need of:

- LONG-LIFE FRUIT JUICE / FRUIT SQUASH
- TINNED FISH (SARDINES, TUNA, MACKEREL)
- TINS OF MEAT (PIES/PUDDINGS, CURRY OR CHILLI, COOKED HAM OR CHICKEN))
- TINNED VEG (PEAS, CARROTS, SWEETCORN)
- SPAGHETTI HOOPS
- TINS OF PUDDING (RICE, SPONGE, CUSTARD)
- POT NOODLES

- BISCUITS
- WASHING UP LIQIOD
- SHOWER GEL
- SHAMPOO
- DEODORANT
- TOILET ROLLS

Starting School in September 2025

The application window is now open to apply for a school place for September 2025. Details below. We will be hosting two open mornings on Thursday 7th November (9.30am) and Wednesday 4th December (9.30am) for parents/carers of children starting school in September 2025. If you know anyone that would have a child due to start in September 2025 then please do let them know of these dates.





To book an appointment: Send us a PM on Facebook or email: truroccb@gmail.com

Parent/Carer Meetings – next week.

Thank you to all of you who have signed up for parent meetings next week. If you haven't yet then please do make the effort to sign up - these are very important meetings and will give you the opportunity to find out how your child/children have started the school year.

Please not that there will be no clubs next week while these meetings take place.

Dates For Your Diary		
w/b 14.10.24	Parent Face 2 Face Meetings	
15.10.24	Harvest – Chacewater Church	
25.10.24	Inset Day – School Closed to Children	
28.10.24 – 1.11.24	Half Term	
4.11.24	Inset Day – School Closed to Children	
15.11.24	Tempest Class Photos	
20.12.24	End of Term – 1pm Finish	



GOLDEN AWARD WINNERS

ACORNS	Tommy & Delilah
SEEDLINGS	Emelia & Finley
BUDS	Max & Delilah
YOUNG OAKS	Lily & Pippa
BUR OAKS	Evelyn & Lewis
RED OAKS	Emmie & Daisy-May
MIGHTY OAKS	Jacob, Eloise & Freddie

AUTUMN DISCO BOOKINGS OPEN!!

Weds 23rd October

KS1 - 5-6pm - Chacewater School PTA (pta-events.com)

KS2 - 6:15-7:15pm - <u>Chacewater School PTA (pta-events.com)</u>

WREATH MAKING

Bookings are open for our annual Wreath Making Evening on Sat 7th Dec at

7pm at Chacewater Village Hall.

It is such a fun festive evening and everyone is welcome!

Tickets cost £27

This includes everything you need to make a beautiful wreath plus a mulled wine & mince pie on arrival.

There will be a bar serving drinks throughout the evening.

BOOK HERE - Chacewater School PTA (pta-events.com)

CHRISTMAS FAIR - SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY 23rd NOVEMBER - 12-4pm

Chacewater Village Hall

From the PTA

Plastic Tat Amnesty

With the aim to "buy less tat", the PTA are asking for donations of small toys and leftover party bag items that can be used as lucky dip prizes for upcoming events.

We ask that only new / as new items are donated please 🙏

A donation box is located in school reception.





The deadline for applications is 15 January 2025

Starting school

September 2025

Applying for a place in a reception class for children born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021



Attending a nursery or pre-school

You will need to apply even if your child attends a school's nursery or pre-school class. Please note that if a school is oversubscribed the fact that a child attends a school's nursery or pre-school, or a local nursery or pre-school, does not automatically guarantee a place at that school. The school's oversubscription criteria will be used to allocate places. Visit our website or contact us for more information.

Information and guidance

Website and application form: www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions Email: schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk Post: School Admissions Team, County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY Telephone: 0300 1234 101



www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions



Applying for a reception class place for September 2025

Special Educational Needs

If an Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plan has been issued for your child you do not need to complete an application form. Please contact the Statutory SEN Service for more information: Tel: 01872 324242 Email: statutorysen@cornwall.gov.uk

1 Decide on your preferred schools

You are strongly advised to name **three** preferences on the application form.

Naming a second or third preference does not give you any less chance of getting a place at your preferred school. When making your decision you should...

...think about how you will get your child to school. Go to www.cornwall.gov.uk/schooltransport for more information on whether your child would be entitled to home to school travel assistance.

...look at the admission arrangements on our website that will be used to allocate places for each school.

...consider naming your nearest or designated school as one of your preferences. You can find your nearest or designated school on our website.

...look at the detailed **admissions information** on our website, also available on request.

2 Submit your application by 15 January 2025

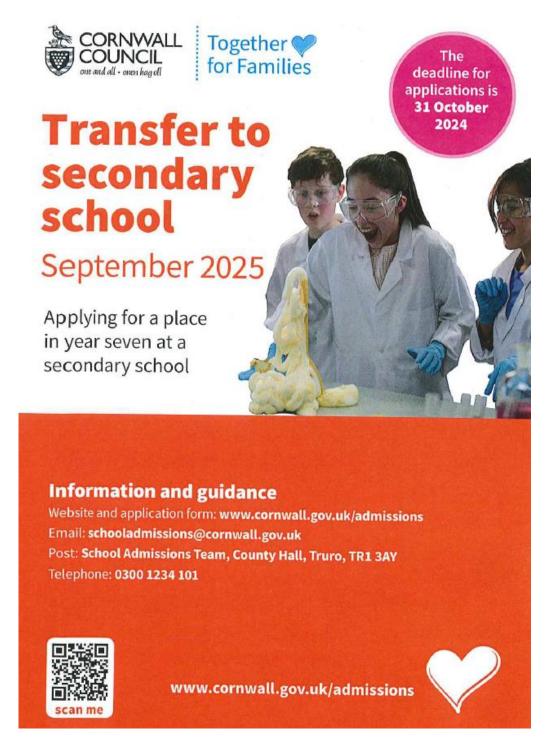
Apply online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

3 Wait to find out which school you have been allocated

If you applied on time you will be notified of your allocation on National Offer Day: 16 April 2025. Apply on time! Late applications will only be dealt with after National Offer Day and there may not be any places left at your preferred schools.

Transfer to Secondary School

Please note that the deadline for applying for a secondary school place is fast approaching.



Applying for a secondary school place for September 2025

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2 Submit your application by 31 October 2024

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If you applied on time you will be notified of your allocation on **National Offer Day: 3 March 2025. Apply on time!** Late applications will only be dealt with after National Offer Day and there may not be any places left at your preferred schools.

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