



24th January 2025

Dear parents/carers

A great week this week in school and the children have all been working really hard to apply the learning behaviours that we have been focusing on: resilience, resourcefulness, reciprocity and reflectiveness. In our assemblies this week we have shared the story the fable of the Lion and the Mouse and how this links to kindness and reciprocity. If you aren't familiar with the story, then you can watch a short version of it [HERE!](#)

On Monday we were pleased to welcome Marten Holmes to our school once again to lead our Monday assembly. As always the children were engrossed by Marten's storytelling and a little bit of magic!

Tuesday saw the school football team travel to Tregolls School for our latest league match. The team once again played brilliantly but just struggled to find the back of the net despite some very promising attacking play. A couple of goals on the break meant that, against the run of play, we narrowly lost 3-1. However, I couldn't be more proud of the team and the team spirit that they displayed.



Continuing the football theme, this afternoon we are attending a girls' football tournament at Richard Lander School, which I am very excited about. Watch this space for updates about how we get on!

We are already looking forward to another busy and productive week next week, including participation at a cross country event at Richard Lander next Friday. Details to be given ASAP.

I hope you all have a great weekend!

Mr Hick

Football Boots/Shin Pads

Our spare supply of football boots and shin pads are running low. If you have any old ones, then we would gladly accept any donations!

Should You Keep Your Child Off School?

Please see some useful information below from the NHS.



Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



SCAN ME

Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.

Term Dates – A reminder from last week

Please see below 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 mid-way 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.

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Chacewater School INSET Days (highlighted in Yellow) school closed:

- Mon 1st Sept 2025
- Mon 20th – Fri 24th Oct 2025
- Mon 24th Nov 2025
- Fri 24th July 2026

CORNWALL COUNCIL 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
1st September – 19th Dec 2025
(Half Term 20th – 31st Oct)

Spring Term
5th January – 2nd April 2026
(Half Term 16th – 20th Feb 2026)

Summer Term
20th April – 24th July 2026
(Half Term 25th – 29th May 2026)

End of Spring Term

Please note that the end of this spring term will be Friday 4th April at 1pm.

From The PTA

We are holding our first PTA meeting of 2025 next **Wednesday 29th Jan at 1:30pm**, Chacewater WI Hall and we would really love to see some new faces. Everyone is welcome to come along and hear what we will be up to this year and also share some new ideas.

Did you know?: There is absolutely no obligation to come to every meeting or help at every event when you join the PTA!!!

Date for the diary - Following the success and enjoyment of the 'make the rules' day held last year, we will be holding another one of **Friday 7th Feb**. The 'rules' and more information will be published next week.

Chacewater Recreation Centre—Open day

Sat 25th January 2025

Between 10am—12pm



On Sat 25th Jan 20254 between 10am—12pm we invite you to pop along, see the building and the progress that has been made.

We also invite any potential user groups and individual businesses (such as, fitness instructors, physiotherapists, music & arts teachers, counsellors etc) along to express their interest in using the space.

This event is Weather Permitting—Please follow Chacewater Parish Council Facebook Page for updates.

Rapunzel

"Chacewater Players are performing a fun filled pantomime this weekend and next weekend!

We are bringing 'Rapunzel' to the stage and there will be joy and laughter but also darkness!!

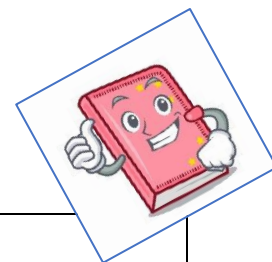
Only £6.50 a ticket!! We will also be offering refreshments, Ice creams, and a raffle!!

Don't miss out on a night what could brighten up January! Oh no it won't - OH YES IT WILL!!"



6th March – World Book Day

Advance notice – we will invite children to dress up as a book character or author.



Dates For Your Diary

14.2.25	Last Day of Term
6.3.25	World Book Day
4.4.25	Last Day of Term (1pm Finish)
22.4.25	Return to school
12.5.25	SATs Week
23.5.25	Last Day of Term
2.6.25	Return to school
18.6.25	Year 6 Camp
22.7.25	Last Day of term



GOLDEN AWARD WINNERS

ACORNS	Lilly & Stanley
SEEDLINGS	Joseph & Loveday
BUDS	Delilah & Lily
YOUNG OAKS	Evie & Thea
BUR OAKS	Gabe & Sophia
RED OAKS	Holly & Kip
MIGHTY OAKS	Lottie & Jack





FEBRUARY HALF TERM CLUB

AT GLOBE VALE HOLIDAY PARK

(Sinns Common, Redruth TR16 4BH)

The Halo Team have partnered up with Globe Vale to bring you a week full of fun half term activity clubs for your little ones. From arts and crafts and baking, to sports days and treasure hunts, there will be plenty to keep your children entertained.

AGES 3 - 14 YEARS

If your child is under 3 years of age, please do contact us as we may be able to cater for them also depending on daily staff ratios.

MON 17TH - FRI 21ST FEBRUARY 2025

9AM - 5PM

£40 PER DAY

For more information or to book please contact:

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