

BE KIND



7th February 2025

Dear parents/carers

At last we seem to have seen some dry weather and it has been wonderful for our children to be able to get out make the most of it. Yesterday, Acorns had a great afternoon in their 'outside adventure' exploring and playing in the sun. Building those all-important skills of turn taking and cooperating together. Well done Acorns.

The beginning of the week started brilliantly when we welcomed, inspirational rugby legend and recently appointed Deputy Lieutenant of Cornwall, Floyd Steadman OBE to our school. Floyd joined us to talk about equality and diversity to the children in year 5 and year 6. He shared his remarkable life story, which included a candid account of his turbulent early family life, his experiences of social services and homelessness in London in the 1960s and overcoming discrimination and adversity in pursuit of studying A-Levels and his dream of becoming a teacher. Floyd, a talented rugby player saw him rise through the ranks of his sport and made history as the first black captain of the Saracens, earning a place in the Rugby Hall of Fame.



He stressed the need to continually challenge perceptions, break down barriers, and address unconscious bias within ourselves and our community. He left all of us really inspired and showed how we can deal with difficult moments with both kindness and compassion.

On Wednesday, Buds had an exciting morning visiting Portreath Beach, as part of their learning about the seaside and what physical and human features can be found. They all had a great time and were also amazing ambassadors for out school Well done Buds!

We have ended the week with 'Make the Rules Day'. Great fun but teachers are glad that it isn't an everyday occurrence! Thanks to the PTA for organising.

Have a great weekend!

Mr Hick

Mental Health

This week we have been thinking about our mental health and doing various activities with the children. On Wednesday, we welcomed Olivia Fellows, a mental health practioner with the school support team, to our school to lead an assembly with keystage 2. With this in mind there is competition that your children might be interested in:



YoungMinds and M&S are inviting young people to enter their brand new design competition! Young people aged 5 - 16 are asked to create a design for a new hoodie or sweatshirt – with the chance to have their design sold in M&S stores and online later this year. All profits from the sales will support YoungMinds to help them keep fighting for young people's mental health.

As well as having their design sold at M&S, the winning young person will receive:

- An invite with their parent or carer to visit M&S's London support centre and see their design transformed into artwork, or to tour the supplier factory in the Midlands and watch them be printed.
- The opportunity to participate in the product launch this September.
- Sweatshirts or hoodies for their whole class to wear for Hello Yellow on 10th October.

To take part, young people have been asked to create a design for either a hoodie or a sweatshirt inspired by what they would say to a friend who needs them. Designs must be submitted by **11.59pm on Monday 31st March**.

Here are the templates for the <u>hoodie</u> and the <u>sweatshirt</u> for you to print out. Or your child could do their design on a plain sheet of A4 paper too. Your child can choose to design either a hoodie or a sweatshirt – the choice is theirs!

To find out more about the competition and to submit your child's completed design visit <u>mnsyoungdesignercompetition.powerappsportals.com</u>

YoungMinds have resources for parents and carers to find help and advice if you're ever concerned about a child or young person. You can find this on their website: www.youngminds.org.uk/parent.

School uniform & PE Kit

Please can we remind everyone about wearing school uniform as detailed below:

School Uniform Foundation and KS 1

- Blue V Neck Chacewater School Jumper
- White polo T Shirt
- Black/grey shorts trousers
- Black/ grey shorts(culottes)/trousers /skirts/pinafore dresses)
- Black/grey tights
- Black/grey socks
- Black shoes

KS 2

In KS 2 all children wear a tie and shirt

PE (this can be worn to school on PE days)

- Blue school PE shirt
- Black shorts/jogging bottoms
- Plimsolls/trainers for PE (In the younger years shoes which can support self tying)

Jewellery

For Health and Safety reasons children are allowed stud earrings only in school

Hair needs to be tied back for P.E

Online Behaviour

We have noticed some worrying trends about online behaviour from some of our children. Although this is happening outside of school, it is still concerning and we would encourage all of you to talk to your children about their online behaviour. The resources below may be useful.



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	



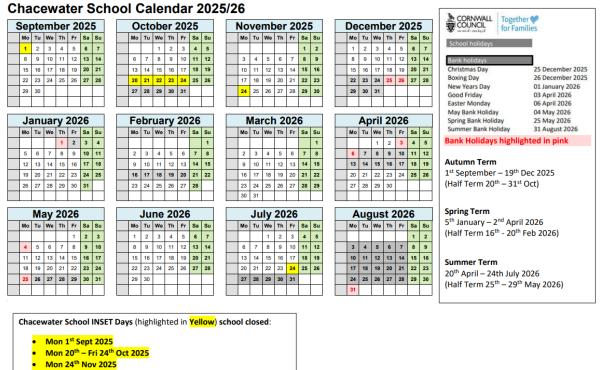
GOLDEN AWARD WINNERS

ACORNS	Sennen & Ashley
SEEDLINGS	Oliver & Nola
BUDS	Reuben & Lacey
YOUNG OAKS	Storm & Charlie
BUR OAKS	Dylly & Grace
RED OAKS	Jackson & Dawson
MIGHTY OAKS	Ryan & Eloise

End of Spring Term

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

Term Dates 2025/26



Fri 24th July 2026

FEBRUARY HALF TERM CLUB

(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: Email: halochildcarecornwall@gmail.com Phone: Jess: 07938 839313 or Tam: 07967 938180