

Dear Parents and Carers,

The sun has indeed shone brightly to welcome 30 new children into Dobwalls and welcome back all our fabulous familiar faces! A huge well done to all the new children in Lerryn Class—starting school is a huge step but even in just a few days they are already settling well and learning the school routines. Well done! As well as children, we are delighted to have welcomed Miss Laing as our Assistant Head, Mrs Geaves as Y1 teacher and Mrs Vickers as teaching assistant. Over the summer we have said goodbye to Mrs Hawke—we wish her all the best and thank her for all her support over the years.

This week, we have launched the new school year with a brilliant book week. Every class has enjoyed a Cornish story as well as delving into other books and authors. Yesterday, staff performed the tale of The Gingerbread man—a true West End production! Don't forget, our book swap shed is full of lovely books for you to borrow/swap/take! There are lots of Peppa Pig books in excellent condition, some beautiful hard back Julia Donaldson stories, plenty of small chapter books and also for adults the final book in the Lucinda Riley series The 7 Sisters which has been read by lots of staff in school who have loved it! Happy reading one and all! Thank you to all the parents/carers who popped in this morning, so lovely to see you all. Year 4 have had the first trip of the year visiting The Box in Plymouth—they learnt so much! Next week, we will start our topics for the half-term and more information will be sent out next week by class teachers.

You may have noticed our artwork from the summer term now hanging proudly on the front of the school. It is so lovely to see everyone's hard work up in place! We look forward to welcoming back artist Mel Young to see it in place.

Next week, School Council elections take place and we look forward to announcing our new members next Friday.

This year, we are supporting Baby basins. There is a box in the entrance where we are grateful to collect items—see page 4 for details.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to talk with class teachers or you are welcome to give me a call or see me on the gate. Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes. Mrs Pipe, Headteacher

Walking Home—Juniors

If you would like your child to walk home or walk to meet you at a place off the school site a permission slip must be signed and handed into the office. We already have permission in place for many of our older children and this will carry forward into this academic year unless we hear from you. If you are unsure whether or not we hold permission for your child, please pop into the school office.



Snacks and Water

Please can you ensure that children bring a named drink bottle into school each day. This should contain water only. We can refill water bottles but in the current climate we cannot provide the reusable bottles as we did before.

We have always tried to encourage healthy eating in school and are very lucky to have free fruit provided for all infant children for their morning break. Junior children are also welcome to bring in a snack but in an effort to encourage all children to eat a healthy snack, we ask that only fruit, vegetables or another healthy alternative be provided (unwrapped) in a suitable, named container. Obviously this is subject to individual dietary requirements and our 'no nuts' policy, but we would appreciate your support in providing healthy food. This also includes sweets. Can we ask that you don't send your child into school with sweets, even if it is for sharing on a special occasion such as a birthday.



Admission to Reception Year 2024/2025

Applications for a place at the primary school of your choice are now being accepted by Cornwall Council. If you have a child born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020 you will need to apply for a place by 15th January 2024. Cornwall Council are encouraging parents to apply online rather than submit paper applications. The website, www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions is currently open and will close on 15th January 2024. It is important that you name more than one preference when completing the form (Dobwalls first obviously) as this does not reduce your chance of securing a place but if the preferred school is full, your subsequent choices can be reviewed quickly. To increase your chances of securing a place of your choice, please get your application in on time. If you need help in completing the form, please contact the school office or the Family Information Service (0800 587 8191) or School Admissions Team (0300 1234 101).

New Intake 2024 Open Evening

We are holding an open evening on Thursday 2nd November 4-6pm for prospective parents/children to look around the school and Reception Class. Please pass this information on to anyone who may be interested.



Transferring to Secondary School—September 2024

Applications are now open for Year 6 parents to apply for a secondary school place. Please apply on line at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions Applications close 31st October 2023.

PE Kits

Please see our [website for uniform](#) reminders.

Children will need to come to school dressed in their PE kit on PE days.

Long hair should be tied back. Please wear their usual school jumper/cardigan.

A reminder of the school PE Kit...

Black shorts/leggings/skorts with plain coloured t-shirt (team colours) or white t-shirt and plimsolls/trainers. (No team football kits, running gear or other attire should be worn for P.E. or after school clubs unless specified by the teacher in charge of that club.)

PE Days

Monday	Y3
Tuesday	Y5
Wednesday	Y1/2
Thursday	EYFS/Y6
Friday	Y4



Attendance Stars

Lerryn	Fowey	Loveny	Valency	Tamar	Lynher	Camel
99%	99%	95%	96%	95%	96%	99%





Parents, Teachers And Friends Association

The next PTFA meeting will be on Friday 25th September at 9am in the hall; tea and coffee will be available too! The PTFA is open to everyone and is essential to the school in providing events and exciting equipment for the children that our budget cannot stretch to. The current group has shrunk quite a bit as pupils leave so they really need more help to plan events such as discos and the Christmas fayre. If you can't come on the 25th but can help on the event days, please let the office know. Sadly if PTFA numbers remain low, we will almost certainly lose such events as the fairs and discos. Please come along if you can and hopefully the children can continue to enjoy these events. Thank you

We Need You!

ParentPay

Apologies for the hiccoughs this last week with ParentPay. The menu (May—Oct) is uploaded and ready for next week.

Diary Dates

2nd Oct	Photographer in School—Individual photos	24 Jan	Governor meeting
2—8 Oct	National Dyslexia Week	12-16 Feb	HALF TERM
11 Oct	Governor meeting	19 Feb	Non-pupil day
23-27 Oct	HALF TERM	4 - 15 Mar	Y5 & Y3 swimming lessons
30 Oct	Non-pupil day	4 Mar	Governor meeting
2 Nov	Open Evening New Intake 2024	11 Mar	Photographer in school—teams/classes
10 Nov	Nasal Flu immunisations	29 Mar-12 Apr	EASTER BREAK
13 Nov	Odd Socks Day	6 May	BANK HOLIDAY
17 Nov	Children in Need Day	8 May	Governor meeting
21 Nov	Governor meeting	13-16 May	KS2 SATS week
20-22 Nov	Book Fair	27-31 May	HALF TERM
24 Nov	Non-pupil day	3 Jun	Non-pupil day
28 Nov	Y1 hearing screening	24 Jun	Governor meeting
8 Dec	Christmas Jumper Day - Thursday	23 Jul	Children finish at 1:00pm
20 Dec	Children finish at 1:00pm	24 Jul	Non-pupil days
20 Dec- 3 Jan	CHRISTMAS BREAK	25 Jul -3 Sep	SUMMER BREAK

September 2023						
Mon		4	11	18	25	
Tue		5	12	19	26	
Wed		6	13	20	27	
Thurs		7	14	21	28	
Fri	1	8	15	22	29	
Sat	2	9	16	23	30	
Sun	3	10	17	24		

October 2023						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue		3	10	17	24	31
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thurs		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

November 2023						
Mon			6	13	20	27
Tue			7	14	21	28
Wed		1	8	15	22	29
Thurs		2	9	16	23	30
Fri		3	10	17	24	
Sat		4	11	18	25	
Sun		5	12	19	26	

December 2023						
Mon		4	11	18	25	
Tue		5	12	19	26	
Wed		6	13	20	27	
Thurs		7	14	21	28	
Fri	1	8	15	22	29	
Sat	2	9	16	23	30	
Sun	3	10	17	24	31	

January 2024						
Mon	1	8	15	22	29	
Tue	2	9	16	23	30	
Wed	3	10	17	24	31	
Thurs	4	11	18	25		
Fri	5	12	19	26		
Sat	6	13	20	27		
Sun	7	14	21	28		

February 2024						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tue		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23		
Sat	3	10	17	24		
Sun	4	11	18	25		

March 2024						
Mon		4	11	18	25	
Tue		5	12	19	26	
Wed		6	13	20	27	
Thurs		7	14	21	28	
Fri	1	8	15	22	29	
Sat	2	9	16	23	30	
Sun	3	10	17	24	31	

April 2024						
Mon	1	8	15	22	29	
Tue	2	9	16	23	30	
Wed	3	10	17	24		
Thurs	4	11	18	25		
Fri	5	12	19	26		
Sat	6	13	20	27		
Sun	7	14	21	28		

May 2024						
Mon		6	13	20	27	
Tue		7	14	21	28	
Wed	1	8	15	22	29	
Thurs	2	9	16	23	30	
Fri	3	10	17	24	31	
Sat	4	11	18	25		
Sun	5	12	19	26		

June 2024						
Mon		3	10	17	24	
Tue		4	11	18	25	
Wed		5	12	19	26	
Thurs		6	13	20	27	
Fri		7	14	21	28	
Sat	1	8	15	22	29	
Sun	2	9	16	23	30	

July 2024						
Mon	1	8	15	22	29	
Tue	2	9	16	23	30	
Wed	3	10	17	24	31	
Thurs	4	11	18	25		
Fri	5	12	19	26		
Sat	6	13	20	27		
Sun	7	14	21	28		

August 2024						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tue		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	
Sat	3	10	17	24	31	
Sun	4	11	18	25		

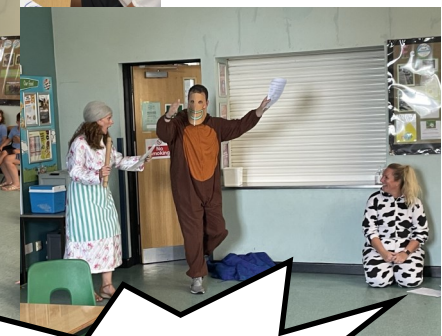
Bank holidays

Christmas Day	25 December 2023
Boxing Day	26 December 2023
New Years Day	01 January 2024
Good Friday	29 March 2024
Easter Monday	01 April 2024
May Bank Holiday	06 May 2024
Spring Bank Holiday	27 May 2024
Summer Bank Holiday	26 August 2024

Book Week

We love reading at Dobwalls and this week we have started our new school year with a brilliant book week! Every class has enjoyed reading, stories and learning new vocabulary by creating artwork, writing poems, stories and more! Year 1 spent the week focussing on books by Eric Carle, Year 2 Tales from Cardinham Woods, Year 3 shared their favourite books from home, Year 4 Percy Pengelly Tumblini the Monkey, Year 5 The Mermaid of Zennor and Year 6 have written super limericks and started the book Armistice Runner! Also, staff acted out a hilarious version of the Gingerbread Man—the West End here we come!!!

The Book
Shed is open!



The Gingerbread
Man



PTFA THANK YOU!

A HUGE thank you to the PTFA for all their fundraising last year. We are delighted to have many new books in the library and a new class set of tennis racquets and balls. Year 4 loved them today—photos next week!

DONATIONS WE DON'T ACCEPT

TODDLER BEDS

TRAVEL COTS

USED MATTRESSES

BED GUARDS

CAR SEATS

SIT IN WALKERS

SWINGS

LARGE TOYS

DOOR BOUNCERS

PLAYPENS

BABY MILK

USED BOTTLES

OPENED NAPPIES

CAMOUFLAGE, XMAS, MUMMY/DADDY TYPE CLOTHES

WE GRATEFULLY ACCEPT MOST THINGS BUT PLEASE DON'T BE OFFENDED IF WE CHECK AND DON'T ACCEPT YOUR ITEMS.

Introducing “Baby— basics”

Baby Basics was founded in 2009 with the aim of providing some of the basics needed for life for vulnerable families with a newborn. Baby Basics work with midwives, health visitors and other local organisations to provide starter packs for those in need. We can help vulnerable groups such as teenage mums, families on low income, and women fleeing domestic abuse and trafficking. Our Moses baskets provide a safer place to sleep and are packed full of toiletries such as nappies, wipes and maternity pads, as well as blankets, towels and baby clothes. For some these are the only items they have for their child.



www.baby-basics.org.uk

Applying for a reception class place for September 2024



Together  for Families

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 2024

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 2024. 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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The deadline for applications is **15 January 2024**

Starting school September 2024

Applying for a place in a reception class for children born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020



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 secondary school place for September 2024

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If you applied on time you will be notified of your allocation on **National Offer Day: 1 March 2024. 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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Together
for Families

The
deadline for
applications is
**31 October
2023**

Transfer to secondary school September 2024

Applying for a place
in year seven at a
secondary school



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WEEK 3

W/C: 01/05, 22/05, 12/06, 03/07, 24/07, 04/09, 25/09, 16/10

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT MAINS	Cheese and Tomato Pizza 🍕 Served with Potato Wedges	Chinese Chicken Noodles	Roast Pork Picnic Plate Served with Potato Wedges	Cottage Pie 🍷	Southern Fried Chicken Served with Chips
JACKET POTATO	Vegetarian Bolognese 🍷 Served with Wholemeal Pasta	Sweet Chilli Vegetable Noodles 🍷	Cheesy Ploughman's Picnic Plate 🍷 Served with Bread	Macaroni Cheese 🍷	Vegetarian Dippers 🍷 Served with Chips
JACKET POTATO	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 with a choice of hot and cold fillings
DESSERT	Mango Frozen Yoghurt	Berry Flapjack with Fruit 🍷	Chocolate Brownie with Fruit 🍷	Pineapple Upside Down Cake with Custard	Chocolate Milkshake and Shortbread

Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta 🍷 🍷

All main meals are served with two vegetables

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THREE WEEK MENU

SPRING/SUMMER 2023

Chartwells
Schools

£2.65

OUR NEW MENU
CHOSEN BY
PARENTS AND
CHILDREN

YOUR
FAVOURITES
AVAILABLE
EVERY DAY



Our menu is subject to change. Please be assured that all notified medical diets and allergy requirements will be safely catered for.

WEEK 1

W/C: 17/04, 08/05, 29/05, 19/06, 10/07, 11/09, 02/10

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT MAINS	Cheese and Tomato Pizza 🍕 Served with Potato Wedges	Pork Sausages Served with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Roast Turkey 🍷 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Beef Bolognese 🍷 Served with Wholemeal Pasta and Garlic and Herb Bread	Breaded Fish Fingers Served with Chips
JACKET POTATO	Vegetable Pesto Pasta Bake 🍷	Macaroni Cheese 🍷	Roasted Vegetable Butterbean Crumble 🍷 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Vegetarian Bolognese 🍷 Served with Wholemeal Pasta	Vegetarian Dippers 🍷 Served with Chips
JACKET POTATO	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 with a choice of hot and cold fillings, including Salmon Mayonnaise 🍷	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 with a choice of hot and cold fillings
DESSERT	Vanilla Ice Cream	Hot Chocolate Sponge with Chocolate Custard	Strawberry Jelly with Fruit 🍷	Fruity Picnic Bar 🍷	Chocolate Ice Cream

Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta 🍷 🍷

All main meals are served with two vegetables

WEEK 2

W/C: 24/04, 15/05, 05/06, 26/06, 17/07, 18/09, 09/10

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT MAINS	Cheese and Tomato Pizza 🍕 Served with Potato Wedges	Chinese Chicken and Vegetable Rice 🍷 🍷	Roast Gammon Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Beef Lasagne 🍷 Served with Garlic and Herb Bread	Breaded Fish Fingers Served with Chips
JACKET POTATO	Vegetable Pastry Roll 🍷 Served with Potato Wedges	Cauliflower Macaroni Cheese 🍷 🍷	Sweet Potato and Chickpea Roast 🍷 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Vegetable Lasagne 🍷 Served with Garlic and Herb Bread	Vegetarian Dippers 🍷 Served with Chips
JACKET POTATO	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 with a choice of hot and cold fillings
DESSERT	Oat Chocolate Cookie with Fruit 🍷	Orange Jelly	Chocolate and Banana Marble Cake	Magic Apple and Cinnamon Bake 🍷	Strawberry Ice Cream

Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta 🍷 🍷

All main meals are served with two vegetables

AVAILABLE EVERY DAY

Water, salad, freshly baked bread, yoghurt & fresh fruit

🍷 Vegetarian 🍷 Oily Fish 🍷 Wholegrain 🍷 Fruit! 🍷 Nutritionist's Choice