



"Books can be dangerous. The best ones should be labelled "This could change your life." – Helen Exley

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly a big thank you to everyone who came along to the Book Fair this week. So lovely to see so much enthusiasm about reading and the excitement with buying a new book!

On Tuesday, we welcomed into school Trish from Aspens, our catering team, who led a session with children in Year 1 and Year 2 focussing on healthy foods linked to the super story The Very Hungry Caterpillar. They had the opportunity to explore and taste a range of fruits and vegetables, many they hadn't tried before, including pomegranate, celery and peppers!

On Wednesday, Year 4 travelled over the bridge and into Plymouth to visit The Box to support their curriculum learning. The children took part in a brilliant workshop developing their learning about Sir Frances Drake and Miss Jameson was so impressed with all the learning they had remembered from the classroom too. They have been thinking about all the different careers available if they might want to work in a museum when they are older too! Well done Tamar Class!

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Best wishes (Gorhemynadow a'n gwella). Mrs Pipe, Headteacher

After School Clubs

Notes have been sent home regarding the club(s) for which your child(ren) have been allocated places. Clubs start next week, including Nerf Club (Booking forms sent home to Juniors).

Dogs (Keun) on site

Just a reminder about our policy regarding dogs on the school site. Please do not bring dogs on to the school site. No matter how well behaved they are, we have children (and staff) who are extremely nervous around dogs and their presence can make arriving and leaving school distressing. Thank you for your co-operation.



Open evening

We will be hosting an open evening for parents interested in their children starting Reception Class with us in September 2027. This is a chance to look around the school and meet the Early Years Team. More details on P4. Please pass this information on to anyone you know who may be interested.

Welcome
Open
Evening

Last week's SECRET Skills Powerful Learners

Fowey	Alice R & Lizzie	Tamar	Aaron & Imogen
Loveny	Juno & Lillie	Lynher	Logan & Harry
Valency	Freddie & Lukas	Camel	Leo & Alfie

Diary Dates

30 Sept	Governor meeting
1 Oct	Nasal Flu immunisations Y3 Wild Tribe
2 Oct	PTFA Tuck shop after school
6 Oct	Photographer in School—Individual photos
8 Oct	Y2 Wild Tribe
14 Oct	Y2 trip to Dartmoor
15 Oct	Y1 Wild Tribe
	PTFA Disco Inf 5-6pm; Jnr 6:15-7:15pm
19-30 Oct	HALF TERM
10 Nov	Open evening for intake Sept 27 4-6pm
20 Nov	Non-pupil day
25 Nov	Governor meeting
1 Dec	Y1 hearing tests
9 Dec	Infant Nativity 2pm
10 Dec	Infant Nativity 9:30am Juniors Xmas performance 5:30pm
14 Dec	PTFA Xmas Fair
18 Dec	Children finish at 1:30pm
21 Dec	Non-pupil day
22 Dec	CHRISTMAS BREAK
4 Jan	First Day back
1-12 Feb	Y3 & Y5 swimming lessons
3 Feb	Governor meeting
15-19 Feb	HALF TERM
22 Feb	Non-pupil day
4 Mar	World Book Day
17 Mar	Governor meeting
22 Mar	Photographer in school—classes
26 Mar-9 Apr	EASTER BREAK
3 May	BANK HOLIDAY
10-13 May	KS2 SATS week
19 May	Governor meeting
31 May-4 Jun	HALF TERM
7 Jun	Non-pupil day
28-30 Jun	Y6 Residential
30 Jun	Governor meeting
23 Jul	Children finish at 1:30pm
26&27 Jul	Non-pupil days
28 Jul	SUMMER BREAK

PE Kits

Please see our [website](#) for uniform reminder

PE Days

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.)

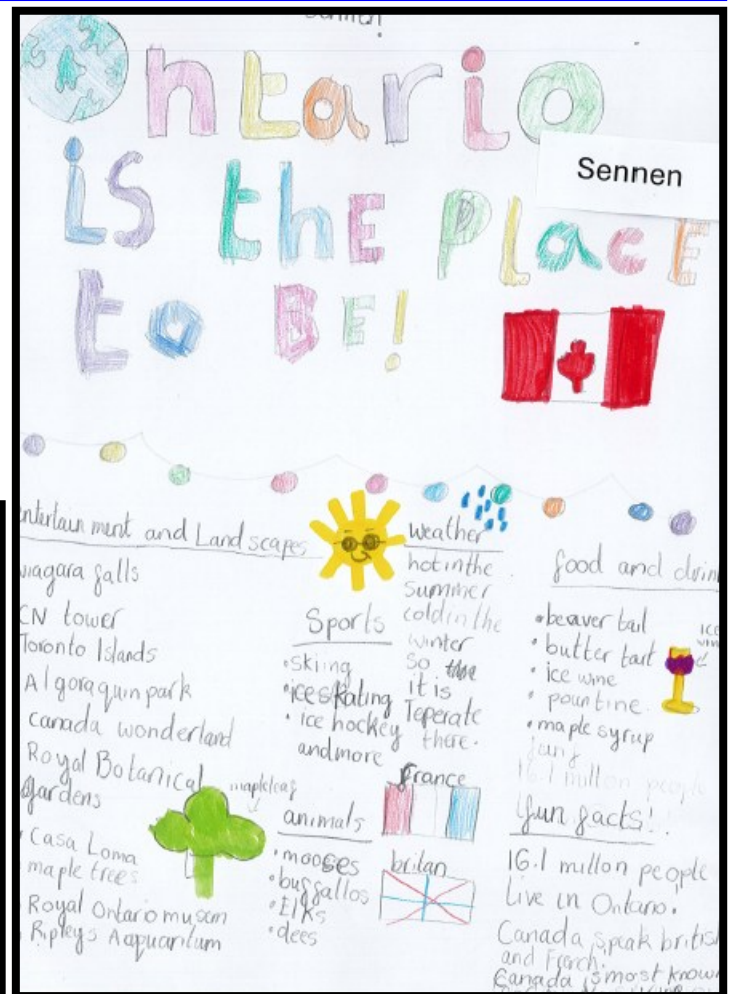
During the winter, plain black leggings or jogging bottoms may be worn for outdoor games.

Monday	Y4 & Y5
Tuesday	Y3
Wednesday	EYFS
Thursday	Y1 & Y6
Friday	Y2

Attendance Stars

Lerryn	Fowey	Loveny	Valency	Tamar	Lynher	Camel
88%	92%	99%	97%	97%	96%	97%

Star Learners this week are from Year 5. This week Lynher Class explored their topic question, "Where would you rather live: Cornwall or Ontario?" through their concept of Place. They learned about Niagara Falls and other attractions in Ontario, explored maps of North America, created posters about Ontario, and wrote explanation texts to share their opinions and reasons. Sennen and Scarlet impressed with their enthusiasm, thoughtful ideas, and hard work throughout their learning. Well done!



LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Here at Dobwalls Primary School we recognise that there are occasions when it is appropriate to authorise an absence, such as when a pupil is genuinely too ill to attend school.

However, the Government does not support parents taking children out of school unless the school agrees this is appropriate under '*exceptional circumstances*'. Any request for leave should be made in writing to the Headteacher using the school's '*Leave of Absence Exceptional Circumstances*' request form.

If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £80 if paid within 21 days or £160 if paid after this but within 28 days.

If your child is further absent from school without authorisation within any 3-year period, you will be committing a further offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices for a second offence are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £160, payable within 28 days.

Importantly, fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action such as a parenting order or prosecution will be considered.

Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may also result in legal action. If you are prosecuted and attend court because your child has not been attending school, you could get a fine of up to £2,500. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.

Absence not authorised by the school may also result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Again, Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.

Money raised from fines is only used by the local authority to cover the costs of administering the system, and to fund attendance support. Any extra money is returned to the government.

'Parent' as set out in Section 576 of the Education Act 1996, defines parent to include: natural parents, whether they are married or not; any person or body who has parental responsibility for a child (as defined by the Children Act 1989) and; any person who, although not a natural parent, has care of a child. Having care of a child means a person with whom a child lives and who looks after a child, irrespective of what their relationship is with said child.



**Dobwalls Community
Primary School**



Starting school in September 2027?
Come along and see us here at Dobwalls

Open Evening
Tuesday 10th November
Drop in anytime between 4pm - 6pm



For more information:
Call: 01579 320527
www.dobwalls.net



**Looe Community Academy
Open Evening Monday 21st September**

You are all warmly invited to our Open Evening on Monday 21st September for your Y4, 5 and 6 students and their parents from 18:00-20:00. Our Headteacher, Paul Boyes, along with staff and students, will deliver two talks, the first at 18:00 and then at 18:30. We hope to see many of your children on the evening!

Paul Boyes

Headteacher

**Liskeard School
& Community College**
achieving more together



OPEN EVENING

All primary students and parents welcome!
Thursday 24th September
5.30-7.30pm

Presentation by Headteacher Dan Wendon
at 6pm & 6.30pm - New Hall



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The deadline for applications is **15 January 2027**

Starting school September 2027

Applying for a place in a reception class for children born between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023



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

Application form and information: www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions
Telephone: 0300 1234 101



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The deadline for applications is **31 October 2026**

Transfer to secondary school September 2027

Applying for a place in year seven at a secondary school



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Applying for a reception class place for September 2027

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 2027

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 2027. 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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