



## A Warm Welcome to the New School Year!

We're delighted to welcome everyone back to Perranporth School as we begin another exciting academic year! We hope your summer was filled with fun and relaxation, and that you're as enthusiastic as we are about the learning adventures ahead.

The children have returned with fantastic energy and enthusiasm, settling quickly into their new classes and routines. It's been wonderful to see them engaging with their learning and building connections with their teachers and classmates, especially the new recruits in Reception Class!

This term, we're pleased to welcome Miss Mansell, who will be supporting in our Reception Class. We know you'll join us in giving her a warm Perranporth welcome.

As always, we'll keep you updated through our weekly newsletters, Class Dojo messages, and the school website. Newsletters are sent out every Friday via Dojo and are also available to download from the website.

If you ever have any questions, concerns, or just want to say hello, I'm usually at the school gate each morning — or feel free to call the office to arrange a chat. We're all only too happy to help.

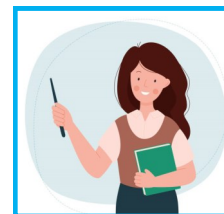
Here's to a brilliant year ahead!

Very best wishes

*Mr Johnson*

## Meet the Teacher Meetings

'Meet the Teacher' sessions will take place next Wednesday 10th September for all classes. Teachers will open their classroom doors to talk to parents about the new academic year ahead; the learning that children will be covering, special events/trips taking place, expectations in the classroom, details about homework, etc. It's a great opportunity to get to know your child's new teacher and to ask any questions that you may have. There are two sessions 3.30pm - 4pm and 5.00pm - 5.30pm (in case you have more than one child), no appointment is needed, just turn up and drop in! We very much look forward to seeing you there.



## After School Clubs

A letter detailing the new after school clubs was shared via Class Dojo. Clubs will be starting from the Monday 8th Sept. If your child wishes to attend any of the clubs available, please sign up via the Arbor Parent Portal as soon as possible as some clubs have limited capacity. This term we will be offering the following:



Mondays	Forest School - Y1 & Y2	Football - Y3-Y6
Tuesdays	Gymnastics - Y1 & Y2	
Thursdays	Gymnastics - Y3-Y6	



## Nut Free School

A reminder that we are a nut free school. Your kind co-operation would be greatly appreciated by ensuring your child does not bring nuts or other nut products into school as part of their snack or packed lunch.



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## Coats in School

As the weather is so changeable at the moment, please can we request that children bring a named coat to school each day. If it's raining and not too heavy, we really like to allow the children to get outside and enjoy the fresh air, but to do this children obviously need to be able to stay dry under a waterproof coat.



## LIGHTHOUSE CLUB

MONDAY-FRIDAY / 3.15PM - 5.45PM

*What's on this week:*

**Monday Movie Night**  
Toy Story

**Tuesday Art/Craft Evening**  
Lolly Stick Crafts

**Wednesday Active**  
Indoor Hockey

**Thursday Games Night**  
Games with Miss Williams  
Lego Club with Mr LePage

**Friday Funday**  
Ipad

MON-FRI: Other activities will be available for those who may not want to join in with the main activity.

## News from The Lighthouse After School Club

The activities happening at Lighthouse Club next week are:

- ♦ Monday - Movie Night & Popcorn
- ♦ Tuesday - Arts & Crafts
- ♦ Wednesday - Indoor Hockey
- ♦ Thursday - Games & Lego
- ♦ Friday - Fun on iPads

(other options will be available for children who prefer an alternative activity)

## Play Dates at Lighthouse!

Why not have a playdate at The Lighthouse Club? If you would like your child and a friend to enjoy a trouble free play date, just let us know and we can make arrangements for them to enjoy a session with us at The Lighthouse. Pick a day from the menu that suits your child and their friend, then we can make sure they have a great time together!



Lighthouse sessions are available:

Monday to Friday (Term time only)

Session 1 — 15:15pm to 16:15pm — £4.00

Session 2 — 16:15pm to 17:45pm — £6.00

Full session — 15:15pm to 17:45pm — £10.00

## Royal Cornwall Hospital - Non Uniform Day Fri 26th Sept

September is Children's cancer awareness month. The Royal Cornwall Hospital Trust is asking all nurseries/schools/colleges to unite in holding a Non-School Uniform day. Every year, sadly there are children in Cornwall diagnosed with cancer. Many will spend days, even weeks, in hospital, away from school, friends, and the comfort of their home.

At the heart of their care is the Children's Cancer Unit at the Royal Cornwall Hospital — a place of compassion, expertise, and hope. But while the clinical team provides outstanding treatment, there is always room for improving facilities and supporting the children and their families. And you can help.

On Friday 26th September we will be joining lots of schools across Cornwall in asking children to come to school in non-school uniform for a donation to a very worthy cause. You can make a donation following this link:

[https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/nonuniformcornwall?utm\\_medium=CA&utm\\_source=CL](https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/nonuniformcornwall?utm_medium=CA&utm_source=CL)



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## New Class Names

As you know, at Perranporth School we love all things books and reading! So, this year we have gone with a literary theme for our class names. To support children in their curriculum learning and develop their aspirations, their classes are all named after famous children's writers - authors and poets!

Reception Class - Team St Piran (we know he's not a musician, but we must always have a class named after our very own saint!!)

Year 1 - Team Hargreaves - (after Roger Hargreaves of the Mr Men)

Year 2 - Team Carle - (after Eric Carle from The Hungry Caterpillar)

Year 3 - Team Donaldson - (after Julia Donaldson from The Gruffalo)

Year 4 - Team Zephaniah - (after poet and writer Benjamin Zephaniah)

Year 5 - Team Morpurgo - (after author Michael Morpurgo who wrote War Horse)

Year 6 - Team Blackman - (after author Malorie Blackman who wrote Noughts and Crosses)

Children will learn all about these inspiring writers as the year goes on.



## Birthday Sweets & Cakes

Due to a number of children attending school with complex dietary needs and allergies, we do not allow sweets or cakes to be handed out at the end of the day when it is a child's birthday. We would recommend keeping these for children's parties and get together. Thank you for your understanding.



## Pupil Premium - School Uniform Vouchers



We would like to make parents aware of a uniform voucher service that is available to all parents of children who are in receipt of free school meals or eligible for Pupil Premium funding. We are now using a portion of our Pupil Premium funding to offer parents a uniform voucher per pupil. These vouchers can be used to purchase any two items of school uniform (or equivalent) at Keywear in Truro. If you are in receipt of income support, income based job seeker's allowance, income related employment support and allowance, child tax credits (with an annual income of no more than £16,190) then your child may be eligible for Pupil Premium Funding. If you

think your child may be eligible for Pupil Premium funding / free school meals, please call the school office to fill out a short form or look on our school website. Pupil Premium funding is available to children in all year groups and is in addition to the Universal Infant Free School meals which is available to all KS1 pupils. Every child who is registered as eligible for pupil premium generates valuable income for the school and this eligibility will also help you access financial assistance with various school costs such as trips, clubs and music tuition.

## Absence From School



If your child is ill or cannot attend school for whatever reason, parents must telephone the School Office (01872 572021) to inform us of the details - please don't Dojo the class teacher. Messages can be left on the school answerphone service. It is important that parents always let the School Office know if their child cannot attend school. If we do not receive a notification of absence, it is our safeguarding duty contact parents to find out the reasons for this.



If your child requires a planned absence from school for medical appointments, dental appointments etc, please collect a Leave of Absence Form from the School Office. The school cannot authorise absences for the purpose of holiday or other avoidable absences during term time. Absences not authorised by the school may result in issuing a Penalty Notice or prosecution in the Magistrates Court. Thank you for your understanding.

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## 2025-26 School Calendar and INSET Days

As we know parents like to get organised for the year ahead, we thought we'd share the school terms dates and INSET days again for the coming academic year. INSET or Non pupil days are boxed out in yellow. Our first pupil day back is Tuesday 2nd September.

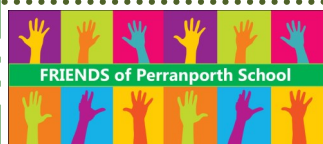
### Perranporth School Calendar 2025/26

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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	
1 <sup>st</sup> September – 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2025	
(Half Term 20 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct)	
Spring Term	
5 <sup>th</sup> January – 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2026	
(Half Term 16 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2026)	
Summer Term	
20 <sup>th</sup> April – 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	
(Half Term 25 <sup>th</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2026)	

Perranporth School INSET Days (highlighted in yellow) school closed:

- Mon 1<sup>st</sup> Sept 2025
- Mon 20<sup>th</sup> – Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Oct 2025
- Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Jan 2026
- Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Feb 2026



### Friends of Perranporth School 50p Fridays

Our FOPS 50p Fridays are back next week. For those who are new to the school, we hold a Cake Sale every Friday at pick up time in the front car park. All cakes are 50p with the money raised going towards FOPS funds. We have a class rota so parents only need bake when it is their turn but if you love to bake then feel free to bring cakes along to the stall ANY week! Please do remember that we are a nut free school. Thank you.

- ♦ Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Sept - Year 1, Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Sept - Year 2
- ♦ Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Sept - Year 3
- ♦ Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct - Year 4
- ♦ Friday 10<sup>th</sup> Oct - Year 5
- ♦ Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Oct - Year 6 and Reception Class (for the Halloween Disco)



### FOPS Meeting

There will be a FOPS AGM at school soon—we will post details of the date once confirmed

We always need lots of new members. You don't have to commit yourself to anything, just help out whenever you can. Please come along, it would be great to see you and have your support for our school! If you want to drop you a child at Lighthouse Club whilst you're at the meeting, that's fine!

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The Great Cornish Heritage Festival is coming up on Saturday 13th September at Enys Gardens, Penryn. This is a great event for all the family to explore Cornwall's unique heritage. See Bronze Age axe-making in action, explore an Early Medieval encampment, try your hand at Cornish wrestling or sit back and enjoy traditional sea shanties that have been sung across the centuries. You can even let 'The Cornish Caretakers' take you on a fun-filled adventure through Cornwall's history or cheer on our warriors in an exciting battle at the end of the day! Children and adults alike will love this engaging exploration into historical and contemporary Cornish culture.

Online advance tickets are £5 for Cornwall Heritage Trust and Enys Gardens adult members and under 18s go free. Online advance tickets for adults who aren't members are priced at £10.

**Book your tickets via this link:**

<https://www.cornwallheritagetrust.org/event/awenek-the-great-cornish-heritage-festival-2025/>

## Breakfast Club

**Don't forget that Breakfast Club runs every morning from 7.45am. It is charged at £4 per child. Places are available and should be booked in advance via the Arbor Parent Portal or through the School Office; bookings can also be made by phone (01872 572021).**



## Lost Property

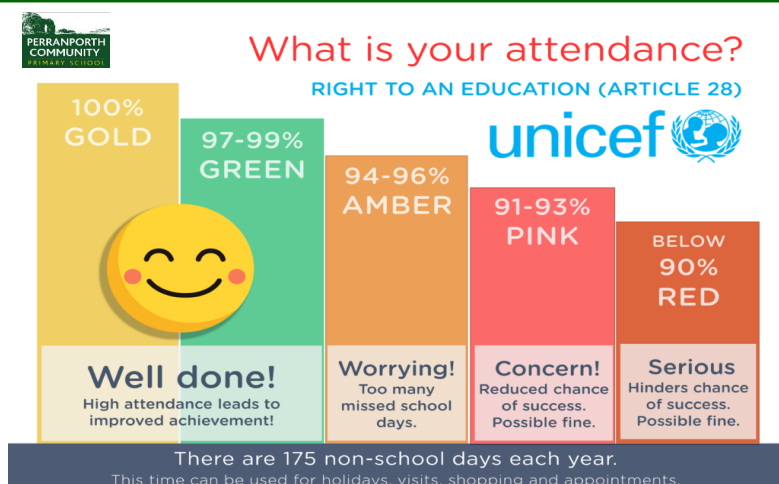
**Parents will no doubt have noticed that the old Parent Waiting Shelter and Lost Property Area has now formed part of the Pre School Building next to the school.**



**Lost property will now be stored in the large red box inside the bike shed by the double green gates. The shed will be open at the start and end of the school day. Thank you.**

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## School Attendance Reminder

As parents will know from previous newsletters, good school attendance is extremely important and something we try very hard to work with parents to maintain. We would like to remind parents that we are not able to authorise children's absence for the purpose of holiday during term time. It is important that parents understand that if they remove their child from school and incur unauthorised absences, they may be subject to a penalty notice as explained on our Leave of Absence Request Form. In line with government regulations, Cornwall Council has issued penalty notices to members of our school community already this academic year.

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.

Please ensure the School Office are notified of all planned absences by completing the appropriate Absence Request Form from our the School Office or website: [Pupil-Leave-of-Absence-Request-Form.pdf](#). Many thanks

We would also like to request that parents and families make every effort to arrive at school on time, between 8:30am and 8:45am. It's always best for children to have a calm and settled start to their day and this really helps set their learning day up properly too. Lateness causes lots of disruptions in classrooms, to the School Office staff and is also lost learning time too.

Parents should also note that arrivals after 9.15am have to be marked in registers as 'unauthorised absence' for the morning session.

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