



15th January 2024

Dear Families

Have we only been back a week? It was lovely to see everyone back at school after the Christmas break - most looked refreshed and ready for a new challenge!

Mr Paul Hooper has joined us today as a supply teacher and is expected to remain with us until March. He will already be a familiar face to many as he has been involved with the school for many years, mainly providing Forest School sessions.

We are pleased to be able to offer 8 clubs this term, most of them start this week!

Thank you all for your support regarding the refurbishment. Please remember that we are holding a meeting for all parents tomorrow from 3pm until 4pm - please send in any questions to the office in advance. A separate meeting for the children will run concurrently, with Miss Finch and Miss Ferguson able to answer any questions they might have.

There will also be a phonics session for parents on Thursday.

We look forward to welcoming you tomorrow.

Stars of the Week

Choughs: Ursula - for the three 'Rs': Super rhyming, incredible resilience and really careful weaving. What a superstar!

Puffins: Ashton - showing wonderful resilience last week and keeping really positive.

Attendance (YTD)

Whole school = 95%

Choughs = 90%

Puffins = 96%

Superheroes in Choughs

Choughs have started their new superhero topic. This week, we've designed superhero capes, weaving paper strips together and have designed the strongest dam we can so that evil villains cannot flood the city! We've also started writing our own versions of Superworm.

Here's some of what we have so far:

Super pig is super silly, super pig is super frilly, watch him fly, see him dig, hip hip hooray for super pig! - RTW

Super cat is super quick, super cat is super slick! - HG

Super rabbit is super hoppy, super rabbit is super floppy. - KJ



Student council survey

Our wonderful school councillors have been gauging the mood about the move to Cape Cornwall School and have been asking their friends for their thoughts. The general feeling is overwhelmingly positive with a few questions and the odd worry. Everyone's looking forward to the meeting tomorrow so that they can find out a bit more.

"I think it will be fun and I think it will help me if I go to Cape because I'll know the classrooms better."

"I'm going to walk and bike ride to school now, but I'm also a bit worried about the teenagers being a bit mean!"

"I'm really excited because I might go there when I'm older."

Super Sonnets!

Puffins have been learning about sonnets in English this week.

- “They have 14 lines, 3 quatrains and a couplet at the end.”
- “Every line has 10 syllables.”
- “They often pose a problem and solve it at the end.”
- “The rhyming patten is usually ABAB CDCD etc. but this can differ like in *Composed Upon Westminster Bridge*.”

After composing their own in groups, they performed them to the rest of the class:



The challenge now is to memorise a famous Shakespearean sonnet: Sonnet 18. So far, they've cracked the first stanza!

Ukuleles in music!

C and C7 yesterday with John Brolly.

Puffins also focussed on ostinato and what these are.



Term	Spring
Term starts	Thu 04/01/2024
Term Ends	Thu 28/03/2024
Half term starts	Mon 12/02/2024
Half term ends	Fri 16/02/2024
Event	Date
Parents phonics session	Thu 18/01/2024
Last day before half term	Fri 09/02/2024
First day back after half term	Mon 19/02/2024
Little Levans	Fri 26/01/2024
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World book day	Thu 07/03/2024
Multi-skills event @ St Just Sports Centre (year 3/4) 1.45pm-3pm	Fri 08/03/2024
Family lunch day	Fri 08/03/2024
Parent consultations	Wed 13/03/2024
Parent consultations	Thu 14/03/2024
Red nose day	Fri 15/03/2024
Community duck race	Thu 28/03/2024
Last day of term	Thu 28/03/2024

Term	Summer
Term starts	Mon 15/04/2024
Term Ends	Wed 24/07/2024
Half term starts	Mon 27/05/2024
Half term ends	Fri 31/05/2024
Event	Date
Back to school	Mon 15/04/2024
School camp starts	Tue 30/04/2024
School camp ends	Thu 02/05/2024
INSET day	Fri 03/05/2024
Bank holiday	Mon 06/05/2024
KS2 SATS week starts	Mon 13/05/2024
KS2 SATS week ends	Fri 17/05/2024
Last day before half term	Fri 24/05/2024
First day back after half term	Mon 03/06/2024
Multi-skills event @ St Just Sports Centre (year 1/2) 1.45pm-3pm	Fri 07/06/2024
Family lunch day	Fri 14/06/2024
Year 2/3 sleepover	Thu 20/06/2024
Sports day	Thu 27/06/2024
Sports day backup	Thu 11/07/2024
School reports issued	Fri 12/07/2024
Whole school transition day	Mon 15/07/2024
Parent consultations (if required post school reports issued)	Tue 16/07/2024
Lafrowda day	Sat 20/07/2024
Leavers assembly	Mon 22/07/2024
Last school day!	Tue 23/07/2024
INSET day	Wed 24/07/2024