



19th December 2025

Dear Families

It's the end of term already! Where did the weeks go?

Unfortunately, it's been a sniffy, snotty & phlegmy kind of a week. We hope everyone gets better soon and you are all fit and well in time to revel in Christmas joy!

The whole school enjoyed a magical trip to Tehidy Woods yesterday. It was wet underfoot, but amazingly the rain had stopped by the time we were ready to enjoy the trail through the trees. The children delighted in meeting the various faeries, making wishes and tying ribbons to the cloodie tree. We are so sorry we were back late!

Thank you, Steve, for the delicious Christmas meal served last Friday. We sent the newsletter out early as we knew we would be too stuffed to do it after lunch! See the pictures overleaf.

Don't forget that St Michel's Mount is open for free over the holiday, so families are able to take part in the festive trail to find the Christmas wreaths. We think the sheep-themed wreath made by Choughs is fabulous – go along and see for yourselves!

Choughs 100% attendance AGAIN – you are all superstars!

We wish you and your families a Happy Christmas and a wonderful new year!

The St Levan Team

Back to school
Monday 5th January!

Payments

Please check the [MyChildAtSchool](#) app for lunch & trip balances

Attendance 2025/26

97%

Choughs = 98%

Puffins = 97%

Stars of the Week

Choughs: Roslyn for kindness and consideration in everything you do!

Puffins: Oliver for superb positivity and determination in maths and always being enthused to learn new skills – well done.



Christmas Lunch!



Winter Wonderland!



Finishing our Henry Moore Sculptures



We covered the wire armatures we had made with paper and tape to achieve the shape we wanted, then dipped Modroc into water and wrapped it around our sculpture. Finally, we smoothed the Modroc to fill in any gaps. Once our figures were dry, we added a layer of PVA glue to seal them.

Pet Day

We had an amazing day with visitors ranging from guinea pigs and dogs to caterpillars and kittens. We learned about how to look after the different animals and shared photos of our pets, past and present, before Cait the vet came to see us. She told us about being a vet and, with some help from Pippin, showed us how to do an examination (minus the temperature check!).

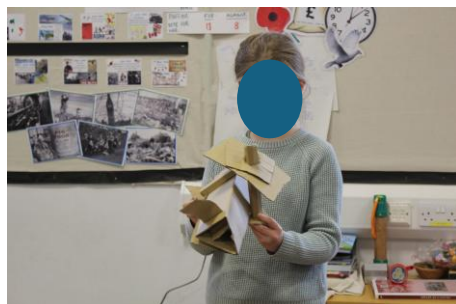


Model Anderson Shelters

Puffins have recently been busy designing and building their own **model Anderson shelters**. After testing the strength of materials using force meters, they next explored how **shape** can make a structure stronger. The children were challenged to build a bridge using just a single sheet of paper to span a 10cm gap. Incredibly, the strongest bridge held **nearly 2kg!** We quickly discovered that a **concertina shape** was by far the strongest.

Then it was time to put our learning into action. We designed and built our own Anderson shelters using what we had learnt about materials and shapes. However... there was a wartime twist! Because of **rationing**, we were only allowed to use **cardboard** - **no tape or glue** at all. This meant children had to be inventive, creating clever folds, slots and joins to hold their shelters together.

The results were amazing. One shelter held **over 5kg** in testing, showing just how strong thoughtful design can be. Well done, Puffins!





Please join your classmates eating the delicious menu.
All prepared and cooked on the premises by Steve!

Menu for week commencing 5th January

Monday	Tuna and tomato lasagne Lentil and tomato lasagne (v) with vegetables	Chocolate chip cookie
Tuesday	Chicken pie with homemade pastry served with steamed potatoes and vegetables Singapore noodles with tofu and vegetables (v)	Lemon sponge cake
Wednesday	Penne bolognaise Veggie pasta bolognaise (v) with vegetables	Homemade profiteroles with caramel sauce
Thursday	Crêpe bretonne – savoury buckwheat crepes with either bacon and cheese or spinach and cheese (v) served with roasted vegetables	Homemade gateau Basque
Friday	Jacket potato with cheese and beans (v)	Cookie

Please talk to us if you have a food allergy, intolerance or coeliac disease. We want to cater safely for everyone.

Diary Dates**2025 - 2026**

Term	Spring
Event	Date
Term starts	Mon 05/01/2026
Back to school	Mon 05/01/2026
Friends event - Jewellery workshop	Jan sometime
Swimming (Year 1 & 2)	Tue 06/01/2026
Swimming (Year 1 & 2)	Tue 13/01/2026
Spring census day	Wed 15/01/2025
Swimming (Year 1 & 2)	Tue 20/01/2026
Governor's meeting	Tue 20/01/2026
Swimming (Year 1 & 2)	Tue 27/01/2026
Cornwall Junior Lifeskills @ Penzance Fire Station (Year 5 & 6)	Thu 29/01/2026
Swimming (Year 1 & 2)	Tue 03/02/2026
Children's Mental Health week starts	Mon 09/02/2026
Swimming (Year 1 & 2)	Tue 10/02/2026
Safer Internet day	Tue 10/02/2026
Children's Mental Health week ends	Fri 13/02/2026
Last day before half term	Fri 13/02/2026
Half term starts	Mon 16/02/2026
Half term ends	Fri 20/02/2026
First day back after half term	Mon 23/02/2026
Swimming (Year 1 & 2)	Tue 24/02/2026
Swimming (Year 1 & 2)	Tue 03/03/2026
St Piran's Day	Thu 05/03/2026
World book day	Thu 05/03/2026
Swimming (Year 1 & 2)	Tue 10/03/2026
Swimming (Year 1 & 2)	Tue 17/03/2026
Multi-skills @ Cape Cornwall School (Year 3 & 4)	Wed 18/03/2026
Clocks go forward	Sun 29/03/2026
Last day of term (finish at 1.30pm)	Thu 02/04/2026
Community duck race	Thu 02/04/2026
Term ends	Thu 02/04/2026
Good Friday	Fri 03/04/2026
Easter Monday	Mon 06/04/2026