



12th December 2025

Dear Families

The Christmas Happening was awesome! Thank you so much to all the Friends for arranging everything. It is a mammoth effort - preparing delicious food, arranging the entertainment and stalls, delivering craft sessions, transforming the meeting room into the winter wonderland (and then disappointingly transforming it back again...) and more! The people who came appeared to have a fabulous time, we received many lovely comments on the day.

We were so incredibly proud of all the children yesterday at the Acorn. They performed magnificently! It's not easy to perform on a stage, under the glare of the lights and with in excess of 100 people watching - they were as cool as cucumbers! The performance really is the product of a great team effort, the children performing, the staff supporting, the professionalism of the Acorn staff and the appreciation of the ticket buying audience.

Today is pet day in Choughs! We have been visited by dogs, guinea pigs, a snail and a kitten. A full report will follow next week.

Please remember, as per usual, there will be **no clubs** on the last week of term.

Choughs **100%** attendance this week – 3rd time this term – well done!

Happy weekend! The St Levan Team

Acorn 2026
Save the date
Thursday 10th
December

Attendance 2025/26
97%
Choughs = 98%
Puffins = 96%

Stars of the Week

Choughs: Marion for fantastic effort in reading – you are doing so well with your phonics.

Puffins: Ursula for superb focus in our Christmas play rehearsals and helping us all to remember our lines and for awesome arithmetic in our recent papers – well done!



The Mousehole Cat

The Acorn 11th December 2025







En Plein Air

The Choughs were obviously very disappointed not to go ahead with the planned trip to St Michael's Mount on Friday but, given the weather, we were in the best place! Not to have our spirits dampened, we dampened our clothes instead and did our Turner art lesson outside, painting in a wild, wet and blustery mix of Cornish weather in December. Our paintings got very wet (good thing they were water colours!) and so did we.



GCHQ Christmas Challenge 2025

Here is a taster - for the complete challenge go to [gchq christmas challenge 2025.pdf](https://www.gchq.gov.uk/christmas-challenge-2025.pdf)



Each of the seven puzzles leads to a word, or in one case a phrase.

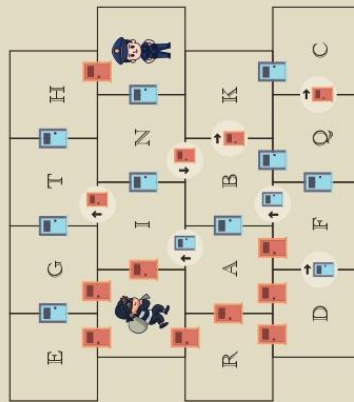
Write the answers into the appropriate boxes below, and then use just the letters on the front of the card to deduce a description of GCHQ's work.

6	6	6	6	6	6	6	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	7	7	7	7	7	7
5	5	5	5	5	5	5	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4	4	4	4	4

1 Somewhere on this card is a special seven letter word which has no repeated letters, and no letters which are next to each other in the alphabet. Can you find it?

3 The robber has to find a route through the house. He can't go through the same coloured door twice in a row, and cannot move against any arrows.

Eventually he gets caught by the police. How was he acting?



6 Solve this code. It has lots of four-letter words!

PIGMIHM DRP MHSIAMA QDMPM MENDQ UUTL-FMQQML NBLFP HRGMP:

LTOY, ILFR, PRLR, ROOY, GRYP, TPDR, HILL, ARHB.

PDM FMUQ R SFTM QI DML IWH HRGM OTQ SRH YIT WILE BQ ITQ?

7 Find an appropriate 7-letter word...

✓ = letter in right place
? = letter present, but in the wrong place

✓	?	?	?	?	?	?
✓	?	?	?	?	?	?
✓	?	?	?	?	?	?
✓	?	?	?	?	?	?

2 There is some driftwood in these streams... but where should it be?

A Z S N I E H H D N T U V
M A O N E R E A B E
G A I A
G N E S E M S E

4 My gifts from Santa are wrapped in pairs this year - but which one is missing?

L	I	E	A	E	E	R	S
S	W	P	P	T	T		
C	M	N	P	S	O	E	E
N	P	E	K	N	D	A	C
C	O	O	U	B	R	A	O
H	A	H	N	D	O	A	O

The letters in TWO UV PAIRS have the values 0.12....9 in some order, with each letter representing a different digit.

UV+UV+V=VAR

R×P×P=AIR

SO+SO=VOW

What is 1234567?

Follow us or scan the QR code to find the answers soon!



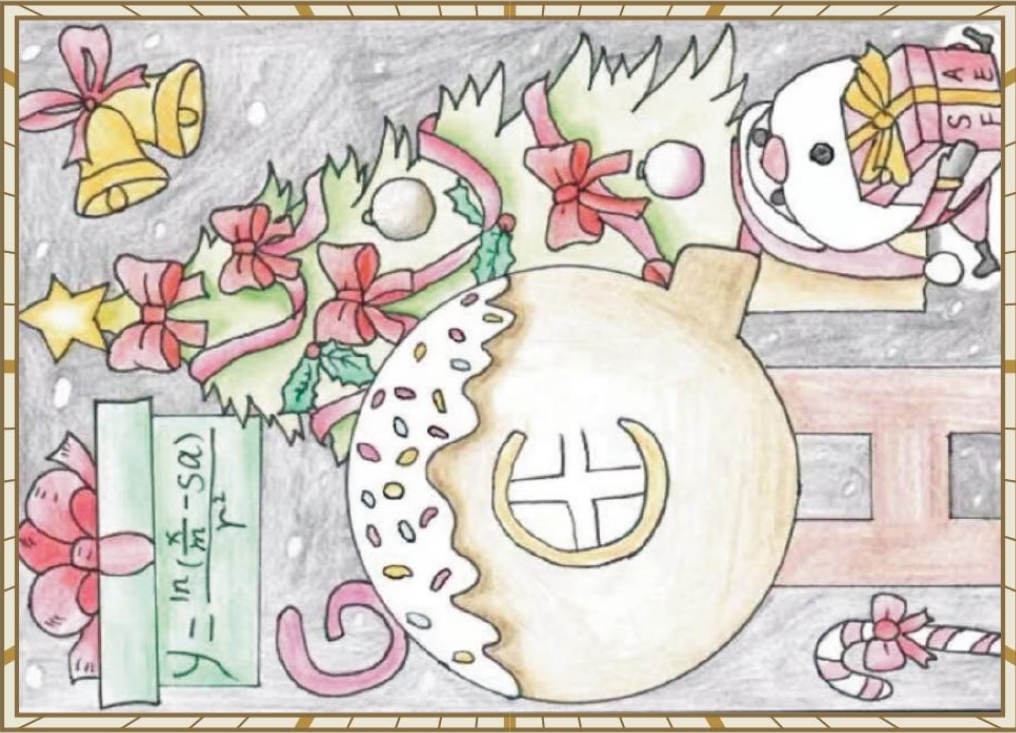
X @GCHQ

Y C D

E H K

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U T R





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

Menu for week commencing 15th December

Monday	Tuna pasta bake Broccoli pasta bake (v)	Shortbread
Tuesday	Chicken & bacon pie with gratin potatoes and vegetables Veggie samosa with rice and dal (v)	Cup cake
Wednesday	Margherita pizza (v)	Banana split
Thursday	Packed Lunch	
Friday	Jacket potato with cheese and beans	Chocolate chip cookie

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



St. Levan Church

Candlelit Carol Service

Sunday 14th December
6.00pm

A service of carols and readings

Refreshments served after the service

Everyone will be most welcome

**Retiring Collection In Aid Of
Church Roof Appeal**