# St Levan Primary School where all children SHINE... for life

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3rd October 2025

#### **Dear Families**

What a great event the Welcome Supper was last Friday! It was lovely to see everyone and to spend an evening together. Thank you to the Friends for organising and to Community House for hosting us. The venue was a great space for all to meet in. Thank you once again to Steve for feeding everyone – delicious as always. I completely forgot to try the crumble but have been told that it was great and used apples from Rhia (thank you). I'd also like to say thank you to Paul for designing the quiz (and anticipating/preparing a tiebreaker, which we ended up using). Thank you also to Sophia for the quiz prizes – much appreciated. The weather was kind to us and the children were able to take full advantage of the space and clearly enjoyed each other's company. It is always great to see all of the year groups playing together.

Years 3, 4 and 5 went swimming again this week. I wanted to share some comments from Sarah the swimming teacher. She praised the engagement and high standards of behaviour of our children – that they were great listeners and acted on all of her instructions. Essentially she was saying that they are a delight to work with and making good progress. I would echo her comments. The group that I work with showed huge determination this week and were very engaged with their session.

Puffins attended a stage combat workshop at the Minack this week. Please see the photos elsewhere in the newsletter. They've taught me a few tips for this that I was previously unaware of!

Ben Chalwin Headteacher

Attendance 2025/26

98%

Choughs = 98%

**Puffins = 98%** 

### Stars of the Week

**Choughs:** Logan for being so kind & thoughtful and taking such wonderful care of our new little

Choughs!

**Puffins:** Ben for superb determination in remembering to use your beautiful cursive handwriting!



All prepared and cooked on the premises by Steve!

## Menu for week commencing 6th October

Monday	Pasta carbonara with vegetables Cheese & vegetable pasta bake (v)	Shortbread
Tuesday	Chicken & leek pie with mash or rice Vegetable puff pastry parcels with mashed potatoes (v)	Chocolate brownie
Wednesday	Swedish meatballs with rice and vegetables Falafels with rice & yoghurt sauce (v)	Homemade gâteau Basque
Thursday	Pasta bolognaise with vegetables  Pasta lentil bolognaise with  vegetables (v)	Cinnamon apple tarte tatin with ice cream
Friday	Jacket potato with cheese and beans (v) with carrot and cucumber sticks	Banana split

# Monday 29th September 2025 Minack Theatre Workshops in the sunshine!

# The Minack in WWII and Stage Combat!

Thank you to Millie and Connie for the amazing morning!



### **WW2 Artefacts in Class**

Last week, the children were fascinated to explore real artefacts from World War II. Mrs Williams kindly brought in items from her family and husband's collections and several pupils also shared items from their families. Everyone enjoyed looking closely at the artefacts, asking questions and imagining the lives of the people who once used them. A big thank you to everyone who brought something in to share - it really helps to bring our history learning to



On Monday 22nd September, Puffins Class had a special visit from Biffa. The session was really interesting and helped us learn lots about recycling. We found out that black plastic cannot be recycled and that batteries should never go in the bin because they could explode! We also discovered that some materials which cannot be recycled are incinerated and used to generate electricity. We came away with a clear understanding of how recycling works and why it is so important.







## Papier Mâché Birds

Our final piece of work in our Matt Sewell inspired birds project is to create a papier mâché sculpture. The first stage was very messy indeed! We loved it though.



## **Empathy**

Following on from last week's session with Sarah from the Mental Health Support Tem, we consolidated our understanding of empathy with a story. Thank you to Sarah (and Sara!) for visiting us again and helping us learn about the importance of kindness.



# RTW and his Amazing Story – Slug vs Spider!

We are so very proud of RTW who last weekend visited Morrab Library in Penzance to take part in the award ceremony for their short story competition. RTW had been shortlisted for his wonderful story: **Slug vs Spider.** This is what he had to say about the day:



When we got there, it was great because we got cake! I had banana cake and it was delicious. After that, the prizes were given and my heart started racing. I was so excited when I got Highly Commended for my story. I won a pen and then Mummy met a lady who worked at a school she used to work at – she was also the prize giver! It was a great afternoon – Thank you Morrab Library!

Head over to https://morrablibrary.org.uk/the-morrab-library-childrens-short-story-competition-winners-2025/ for more information about the day. You could also read AS's winning story for the 7-11 category: The English Lesson. A is now in Year 7 but we of course want to say a huge well done to her as well!

#### Slug vs Spider

One sunny day, there was a very, very kind slug. He helped to make a slimy path for other minibeasts and he made a lovely bridge that went across a red ant road. One day there was a sudden scream of "help!" Mr slug didn't know what it was at first but in about twenty seconds he knew what it was. It was a baby slug that was stuck on a house gutter. Mr slug rushed up the gutter and said to the baby slug "hop on my back," The baby slug did what he was told and they rushed back down the gutter.

Meanwhile, there was an extremely horrible spider who had a grim guinea pig army. The Other day, one of Mr Slug's friends got caught by him. The guinea pig army must be horrible mr slug thought "horrible horrible horrible"

One terrible day, Mr slug and his bee got caught by the grim guinea pig army. First, Mr slug and his brilliant bee tried to sting the spider but he was too tough and his guinea pig army just nibbled back. "Well that's not very nice. Is it?" Groaned Mr slug. Next the buzzy bee tried to buzz them away but that just made them laugh, oh dear. Last, Mr slug and his bee shut the spider and his guinea pig army in the kitchen but Mr slug couldn't find the key.

An hour later, Mr slug and his brilliant bee were back at home. They were thinking and thinking and thinking, and suddenly Mr slug had a brilliant idea. "Hop in the helicopter." Mr slug shouted excitedly When they got there Mr slug told the bee what the plan was: Use Mr slug's slime to stick the horrible spider and his guinea pig army upside down. When they had done it Mr slug screamed with delight !IT HAD WORKED!!!

The following day, Mr slug slimed through the woods when he got to the little minibeast village. All the minibeasts were out sunbathing. They all cheered as he walked in. All the minibeasts started asking him questions. When they had calmed down, Mr slug declared there would be a BBQ. They all cheered. An hour later the BBQ was ready. There was a dead bird that a cat had killed, and they all lived happily ever after.

The end

Diary Dates 2025 - 2026

Term	Autumn
Event	Date
Minack workshop (Choughs)	Mon 06/10/2025
Swimming (Year 3, 4 & 5)	Tue 07/10/2025
Community event - Feast family history day / Churchyard clean @ St Levan church	Sat 11/10/2025
Community event - Feast service 9.30am - Boilerhouse, pasties & pud 6pm (£5pp)	Sun 12/10/2025
Friends event - meeting at school 8.45am	Tue 14/10/2025
Swimming (Year 3, 4 & 5)	Tue 14/10/2025
St Levan Feast	Wed 15/10/2025
Shakespeare Festival - The Minack Theatre (Puffins)	Thu 16/10/2025
Swimming (Year 3, 4 & 5)	Tue 21/10/2025
Cornwall Junior Lifeskills @ Penzance Fire Station (Year 5 & 6)	Wed 22/10/2025
Friends event - Halloween disco at St Levan Pavilion (after school)	Wed 22/10/2025
Phonics workshop for parents of Choughs	Thu 23/10/2025
Last day before half term	Thu 23/10/2025
INSET day	Fri 24/10/2025
Clocks go back	Sun 26/10/2025
Half term starts	Mon 27/10/2025
Half term ends	Fri 31/10/2025
Private event - Penberth bonfire - Tristan and Vickie invite all school families	Sat 01/11/2025
Friends event - Jewellery workshop	Nov sometime
First day back after half term	Mon 03/11/2025
Swimming	Tue 04/11/2025
Grandma on the Moon at the Acorn (whole school)	Mon 10/11/2025
Swimming	Tue 11/11/2025
Flu immunisations (available to all)	Wed 12/11/2025
Swimming	Tue 18/11/2025
Swimming	Tue 25/11/2025
Swimming	Tue 02/12/2025
Multi-skills @ Cape Cornwall School (Year 5 & 6)	Wed 03/12/2025
Friends event - Christmas happening / market	Sat 06/12/2025
Swimming	Tue 09/12/2025
Christmas production at the Acorn	Thu 11/12/2025
Last day of term (finish at 1.30pm)	Fri 19/12/2025
Term ends	Fri 19/12/2025



Saturday 11th October 2025 10.00 - 12.30 Years 4, 5 & 6

propelled racers Water rocket

From designing and decorating bottle cars, to launching them in a thrilling final Students will be getting creative and competitive with water rocket-propelled competition - it's all about innovation, teamwork and a splash of run. Who will build the fastes rocket racer? Lets found out!

Mixed Media

Get inspired by the tiny wonders of nature in our Insect Art Workshop. Using a create their own bug-inspired masterpieces

Dive into the rich world of Cornish folktales and bring legendary stories to life -**Folklore Comic** Cornish

nspire them to craft their own illustrated tales. A perfect blend of storytelling, This creative session will build on students' knowledge of local folklore and

Workshop

Join us for an electrifying session in Digital Music Production where you'll earn how to craft original Electronic Dance Music from Drum & Bass to **Dubstep and Techno** 

**Electronic** 

Music

**Production** SCIENCE

**Discovery Lab** The Pumpkin

Join us for a morning of fun learning and hands-on science - all with a

From squishy experiments to seasonal surprises, its the perfect mis of curiosity, creativity and autumn vibes. Don't miss out!





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to book your ticket

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