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

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**Dear Families** 

It's official - as of today the building work is complete!

We now have a fully refitted kitchen - new ovens, hob, dishwasher - thank you Cornwall Council! We now just need a cook, so please do pass on details of the position via word of mouth, social media or any other means.

It is Chinese New Year next Thursday. Choughs can look forward to a fully immersive day of celebration!

Coming up soon is Children's Mental Health Week - we have lots of exciting events planned - watch this space...

### Fantastic Opportunity!

We are thrilled to announce that we have advertised for a Kitchen Manager / Cook in Charge to whip up some culinary delights in our newly fitted out kitchen in St Levan. Full information can be found on our website:

#### St Levan Primary School - Vacancies

## TIN AUTODESK KER Tinkercad

Puffins are currently learning about 3D modelling in computing using free software called Tinkercad. It's possible to access this from home.

If you wish to login, choose "Student with Class Code" and use code 6DM BCW SLD. The nickname is your child's first name.<u>Tinkercad - Create 3D digital</u> designs with online CAD

#### Stars of the Week

Choughs: Delphine - for showing remarkable determination and resilience when faced with a difficult challenge!

Puffins: Jack - for sharing your enthusiasm for computing and making thoughtful suggestions.

### Attendance (Year To Date)

**92%** 

Choughs = 91%

Puffins = 93%

# **Chinese Writing**

In Art, we have been learning about different sized brushes. We talked about how fine brushes are useful for painting small objects whereas a big brush is good for larger areas. Most of us selected small brushes for painting Chinese letters which was a wise choice! We were amazed to discover that there are over 2500 characters. Yikes!



## What a Busy Week It's Been!

This week has been jam-packed with exciting learning across the school! Year 6 have taken on the challenge of algebra with gusto, while Year 4 have been investigating perimeter. Here's a fun challenge that combines their new skills:

#### A Row of Regular Heptagons

Regular heptagons are joined together edge to edge to make longer strips.



The perimeter of each regular heptagon is 7cm.

Complete this table

| Number of<br>heptagons | 1   | 2    | 3 | 4 | 5 | 10 | 20 | 100 |
|------------------------|-----|------|---|---|---|----|----|-----|
| Perimeter<br>of strip  | 7cm | 12cm |   |   |   |    |    |     |

## Can you find a rule to calculate the perimeter of a shape made up of any

**number of hexagons?** (Hint: Think about how the sides overlap as you add more hexagons!)

Meanwhile, Year 5 have been hard at work perfecting their 'bus stop' division. They've wowed us with their quick calculations and problem-solving skills. Fancy giving it a go? Try these:

Finally, our budding

geographers have been busy exploring climates and biomes around the world. Puffins have used their maths skills to create colourful bar charts and graphs showing average monthly rainfall and temperatures across different regions to help us compare them.

What a fantastic week of learning - it's wonderful to see such enthusiasm and positivity! Well done everyone!







#### **Diary Dates**

| Term                                 | Spring         |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| Event                                | Date           |
| Swimming (Year 5 & 6)                | Tue 28/01/2025 |
| Chinese New Year                     | Wed 29/01/2025 |
| Children's Mental Health Week starts | Mon 03/02/2025 |
| Swimming (Year 5 & 6)                | Tue 04/02/2025 |
| Children's Mental Health Week ends   | Fri 07/02/2025 |
| Swimming (Year 5 & 6)                | Tue 11/02/2025 |
| Safer Internet Day                   | Tue 11/02/2025 |
| Last day before half term            | Wed 12/02/2025 |
| INSET day                            | Thu 13/02/2025 |
| INSET day                            | Fri 14/02/2025 |
| Half term starts                     | Mon 17/02/2025 |
| Half term ends                       | Fri 21/02/2025 |
| First day back after half term       | Mon 24/02/2025 |
| Swimming (Year 5 & 6)                | Tue 25/02/2025 |
| Swimming (Year 5 & 6)                | Tue 04/03/2025 |
| St Piran's Day                       | Wed 05/03/2025 |
| World Book Day                       | Thu 06/03/2025 |
| Swimming (Year 5 & 6)                | Tue 11/03/2025 |
| Songfest workshop in school          | Thu 13/03/2025 |
| School camp starts                   | Mon 17/03/2025 |
| School camp ends                     | Wed 19/03/2025 |
| BUPA coding day                      | Thu 20/03/2025 |
| Red Nose Day                         | Fri 21/03/2025 |
| Swimming (Year 5 & 6)                | Tue 25/03/2025 |
| Songfest                             | Thu 27/03/2025 |
| Swimming (Year 5 & 6)                | Tue 01/04/2025 |
| Last day of term (finish at 1.30pm)  | Fri 04/04/2025 |
| Community duck race                  | Fri 04/04/2025 |
| Term ends                            | Fri 04/04/2025 |

### Term

| Event   |
|---|
| Term starts                                   |
| Back to school                                |
| Bank holiday                                  |
| KS2 SATS week starts                          |
| KS2 SATS week ends                            |
| KS1 SATS week starts                          |
| KS1 SATS week ends                            |
| Last day before half term                     |
| Half term starts                              |
| Half term ends                                |
| First day back after half term                |
| Multiplication check - year 4 (2 weeks) start |

## Summer Date

Tue 22/04/2025 Tue 22/04/2025 Mon 05/05/2025 Mon 12/05/2025 Thu 15/05/2025 Mon 19/05/2025 Thu 22/05/2025 Fri 23/05/2025 Mon 26/05/2025 Mon 02/06/2025 Mon 02/06/2025

| Phonics - check - year 1 start                      | Mon 09/06/2025 |
|---|----------------|
| Phonics - check - year 1 end                        | Fri 13/06/2025 |
| Multiplication check - year 4 (2 weeks) end         | Fri 13/06/2025 |
| Royal Central School of Speech and Drama Week start | Mon 23/06/2025 |
| Whole school photograph                             | Wed 25/06/2025 |
| Royal Central School of Speech and Drama Week end   | Fri 27/06/2025 |
| Last school day! (finish at 1.30pm)                 | Wed 23/07/2025 |
| Term ends   | Wed 23/07/2025 |

#### **Diary Dates**

# 2025 - 2026

| Term                              | Autumn         |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| Event                             | Date           |
| Term starts                       | Wed 03/09/2025 |
| School photographs                | Thu 25/09/2025 |
| Half term starts                  | Mon 27/10/2025 |
| Half term ends                    | Fri 31/10/2025 |
| Christmas production at the Acorn | Thu 11/12/2025 |
| Term ends                         | Fri 19/12/2025 |
|                                   |                |
| Term                              | Spring         |

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|------------------|----------------|
| Event            | Date           |
| Term starts      | Mon 05/01/2026 |
| Half term starts | Mon 16/02/2026 |
| Half term ends   | Fri 20/02/2026 |
| Term ends        | Thu 02/04/2026 |

| Term             | Summer         |
|------------------|----------------|
| Event            | Date           |
| Term starts      | Mon 20/04/2026 |
| Half term starts | Mon 25/05/2026 |
| Half term ends   | Fri 29/05/2026 |
| Term ends        | Wed 22/07/2026 |