



24th April 2026

Dear Families

One newsletter, two community events to report on! Cast your mind back to the last day of term – we left school and regrouped in beautiful Penberth cove to enjoy a wonderful duck race. Well done to the three race winners: Louis, Ben and Sharon! Thank you to everyone who came. It was lovely to see our current families, previous families, families yet to come and the wider community and... the sun shone. How lucky we are!

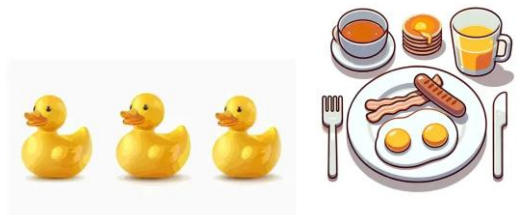
It was fabulous to start the new term with the delicious BIG Breakfast. Thank you to Vickie and Tristan for making all the arrangements and for recruiting an amazing and accomplished group of volunteers. I hope everyone got their spatulas and pans back! I'm pleased to report we didn't manage to set the fire alarm off, although there was a pretty close call with some toast...

Over the holidays, we had confirmation of our intake for Reception next September. We are looking forward to welcoming new families to St Levan School! As part of the transition for our new pupils, we have scheduled some more Little Levans dates. There is a poster on the back page. Please do share these details with any families who may be interested.

Next week, Choughs are off to Paradise Park and Year 5 and 6 are off to the Hall for Cornwall in Truro!

Don't forget next Friday is an INSET day.

Best wishes
The St Levan Team



Attendance
2025/26

96%

Choughs = 97%

Puffins = 96%

Star of the Week

All our duck race and big breakfast helpers – especially those who were willing to get wet at the duck race and or up early for the big breakfast!





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

Menu for week commencing 27th April

Monday	Pasta carbonara Cheese & broccoli pasta bake (v) with vegetables	Vanilla shortbread
Tuesday	Chicken korma curry (mild) Chickpea and potato samosa (v) with saag aloo sauce with rice and vegetables	Banana and carrot cake
Wednesday	Beef lasagne Lentil lasagne (v) with garlic bread and salad	Crêpe Suzette with ice- cream
Thursday	Swedish meatballs with rice Falafel mezze plate with sweet potato wedges (v) with vegetables	Beetroot and chocolate brownie
Friday	INSET DAY	

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

Community Penberth Duck Race

What a lovely event – you can't get a more picturesque location. The cakes were delicious, the tea was hot and the weather was gorgeous! Sharon won the adult race! Amazing, her first win in 20+ years of attending and organising the event. I hope she enjoyed her well-deserved chocolate bunny!

But of course, the best thing about the event was having our school community come together – thank you, as ever, for all your support!



Big Breakfast!

What a way to start the term! Thank you so much to Vickie and Tristan for gathering a fabulous team of Friends to help prepare, cook, serve and clear up an amazing and BIG breakfast. There were homemade pancakes, mushrooms and avocado plus the usual sausage, bacon and eggs. I say the usual sausages, but of course they weren't, they were made especially for us by Kev – thank you Kev for your continued support by supplying heavily discounted and utterly delicious meats from Chypraze Farm.

Thank you too to our families for joining us and donating. We made £150 for Friends, which will help further develop our outside play areas.



Choughs are Choughs

We are so excited about our upcoming trip to Paradise Park – seeing otters and going in the Jungle Barn are some of the things we're most looking forward to. We will also get to see real life choughs! Linking to this, we have been learning about Cornwall's national bird in Science and practised using tweezers like a chough's beak to collect different sized insects. This was surprisingly tricky!



A delightful matching knitted outfit this week for R and her teddy. This was knitted by her Aunty in Australia!



Puffins Explore Water

As an introduction to our new topic, Puffins carried out a simple investigation to find out how many drops of water could fit on a penny.

Before we began, we made our predictions, with most estimates ranging from 3 to 15 drops. The results surprised everyone, as we were able to fit between 23 and 52 drops onto a single coin!

We then discussed why this happened and learnt about surface tension. This is what allows water to hold together and form a dome on the surface rather than spilling straight away.

A good start to our new topic, with lots of thoughtful predictions and careful observations.



To explore this further, we used food colouring to create a colour wheel. Starting with pots of red, blue and yellow water, the colours gradually moved and mixed as the water travelled between them, creating new colours without being poured.





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Choughs: **100%** this week!
Amazing - keep it up!

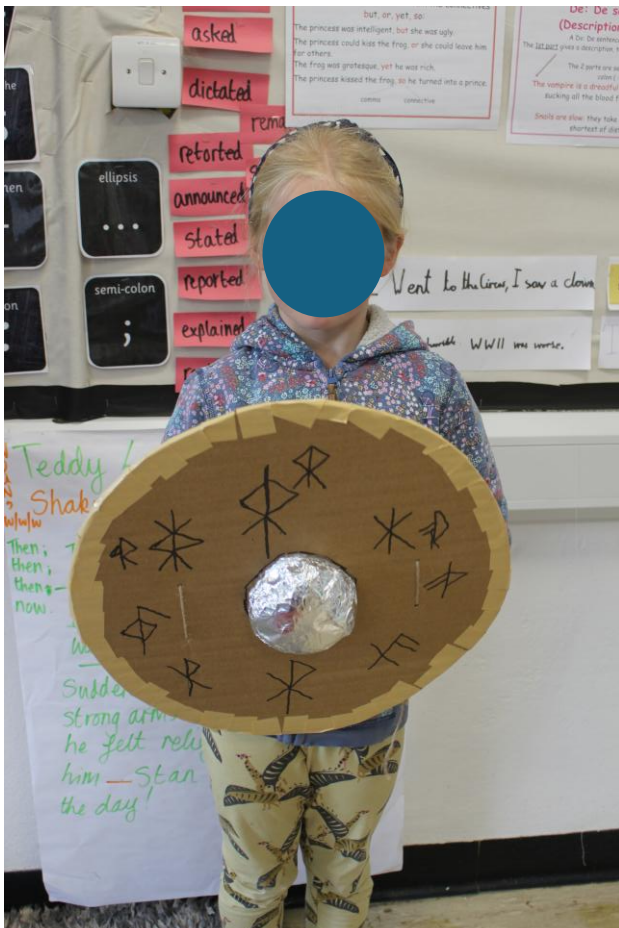


The Water Cycle

Puffins have also been learning about the water cycle. Here are their models showing evaporation, condensation and precipitation in a bag.

Home Learning

Take a look at this impressive Viking longship and shield created by D and C. A great effort and well-deserving of the headteacher awards they received – well done!





**Come and
Build with Us**



The Wise and Foolish Builders

Sunday 26th April 4-5:30pm

St Buryan School

Join us for stories, crafts, games and food!

- Explore the story of the wise and foolish builders
- Fun activities for all ages
- Build your own creation – will it stand strong?
- Everyone welcome – bring your friends and family!

No need to book – just turn up and get stuck in!

For more info contact: revadam18@gmail.com

LIZ NOLAN PRESENTS
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The Dream Machine

At The Zennor Theatre, Penwith College, Penzance

Friday 24th April at 7pm.

Saturday 25th April at 2.30pm & 7pm

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CORNWALL SCHOOLS PARENT TALK
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Nicola MacDonald

Nicola MacDonald is a Resilience Coach and Author of the non-fiction book, *Resilient Teen*. She is the Founder of My Resilient Mind and Co-Founder of The Digital Detox Club. She runs resilience workshops and talks for schools, parents, and adults in the workplace. She specialises in mindfulness, tech addiction, youth mental health and conscious parenting.

Nicola is an empowering and uplifting speaker who shares her knowledge in a non-judgemental way linking to her own experiences of parenthood and her own previous struggles with teen anxiety.

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Helping families to thrive in a digital age

Parenting in the **digital age** has never been more complex, with issues surrounding screen time, social media use, and gaming.

Many parents are concerned about their children's mental health, especially the impact of screens on it.

In this interactive talk, Nicola unpacks some of the **complex issues** surrounding smartphone use and, in a **non-judgmental** manner, aims to help you find solutions that work for your family.

Topics

- The link between mental health and wellbeing and spending too much time online
- Strategies for delaying the smartphone
- Strategies for families to achieve a healthy balance with technology
- Question and discussion time

"The talk is so relevant, full of insight and eye-opening. You will walk away inspired to connect, reflect, and find out more. I highly recommend it."

— Claire Curtis, parent and SFC volunteer.



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Storytime Fun

Calling all under 5's and their families!

St Levan School invite you to come to our beautiful site and join us for storytelling, music and fun - with John Brolly!

- Friday 8th May
- Friday 22nd May
- Friday 12th June
- Friday 3rd July

Always from 1.30 until 3pm.

There is no need to book, please just turn up.

We hope you can join us!

For more information, please contact the school.

