6th November 2026

NEWSLETTER



Elaine Badger
Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome Back!
We hope you all had a wonderful half term break and have enjoyed some valuable time together as a family.
The next few weeks are always some of the busiest and most exciting in the school calendar, with lots of festive events and special activities planned. Please take a moment to check the diary dates at the end of this newsletter to make sure you don't miss any of those important Christmas events. We look forward to sharing this special season with you all.



Celebrating Bonfire Night

Community Champion Parent Voice
Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete our Community Champion Parent Voice Questionnaire before the holidays.
We are always looking for new and meaningful ways to involve parents in school life, and your feedback plays a vital role in helping us shape future opportunities. We are currently reviewing the responses and will be able to share an update on our plans later this term.
Thank you, as always, for your continued support of our school community.



Room on the Broom in Tiny Trees!

Elaine Badger

Our Oracy Journey Continues...



We are incredibly proud to continue our work as a Voice 21 Centre of Excellence, welcoming visitors from other schools who come to learn from our approach to oracy.

As part of our commitment to providing the very best life chances for our children, we are delighted to be introducing a new weekly "Talk Like an Expert" Award. Each week, teachers will nominate a pupil who has particularly impressed them through their use of subject-specific language and their ability to explain, discuss and justify their ideas during lessons.

Choosing a recipient will certainly not be an easy task. Our children are some of the most confident, articulate and thoughtful young speakers we know, and they continue to amaze us with the quality of their contributions in class every day.

Our first award recipients will be announced in next week's newsletter, so watch this space!

Playleaders Making a Difference

Last half term, we introduced our new Playleader Scheme, giving our Year 6 pupils the opportunity to demonstrate leadership and responsibility by setting up and running a variety of activities on the playground during lunchtime.
It is fair to say that the scheme has had an incredibly positive impact on our lunchtimes. Children can be seen playing cooperatively together, sharing games, reading books and enjoying a range of activities with their friends. The playground has become an even more purposeful, inclusive and enjoyable place for everyone.
Our Year 6 Playleaders have been fantastic role models. They have embraced their responsibilities with enthusiasm and maturity, consistently demonstrating our 5P school values through their kindness, leadership, perseverance and commitment to helping others. We are incredibly proud of the positive example they are setting and of the difference they are making to our school community every day.



Partnership in action!



Playing together



Mrs. Baretto joining in the fun!

STAR LEARNERS

These fantastic pupils have been demonstrating our 5P values this week!

Apple Class

Noah for great passion in RWI.
Norton for passion in our bonfire night topic.

Oak Class

Sophia for showing perseverance and pride in your learning.
Joseph for using lovely sentences to explain your learning.

Willow Class

Alex for pride and perseverance within his writing this week.
Edith for consistently showing the Lostwithiel way.

Maple Class

Finn for a great attitude and being a good friend.
Esmae for passion in Maths.

Conkers Class

Ava for consistently showing the 5Ps and kindness to others.
Mitch for working so hard and with passion.
Hugo for enthusiasm and passion in maths and science.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Top Class for Attendance

Apple Class 98.2%

TARGET:96.9%

Whole School Attendance Snapshot

97.6%

Leave during term time

We understand that there are occasions when families need to request exceptional leave for their child during term time.

In such cases, it is essential to submit an absence form well in advance. These are available at the school office and on our website.

We will only authorised these requests in exceptional circumstances, and we will review each application on a case-by-case basis.

Please be aware that taking unauthorised leave may mean you become liable for a fine. To help you plan ahead, term dates are available on the school website.

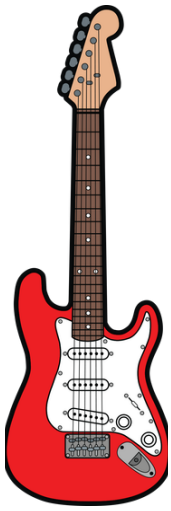
If your child is ill..

We appreciate that children will become ill from time to time. We do request that all parents call the school office to speak to us about an illness rather than send a Dojo or an email.
If we are unable to answer your call, please leave a voicemail and we will get back to you as soon as possible.
We are always here to help - if you have any concerns about your child's attendance or indeed their health, please get in touch with us as we can assist with referrals to the school nurse service or other agencies.



MRS. CHARNOCK
Office Manager

TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS SCHOOL



Rock Stars

These children can answer in less than 3 seconds

Ellie Y4
Emily Y4
Corinne Y6
Oscar Y4
Erin Y6
Wilfred Y3
Hayden Y3
Finn Y3

Rock Legends

These children can answer in less than 2 seconds!



Albie Y6
Emma Y5
Ava Y6
Tomas Y4
Charlie Y6
Timmy Y6
Finley Y5
Charlotte Y6
Arlo Y6
Josie Y6
Loic Y5
Noah Y6
Neeve Y6
Theo Y5
Jeff Y6
Harley-Quinn Y6
Ruby Y4
Annie Y5
Florence Y4
Wilfred Y5
Hugo Y5
Mitch Y6
Jarvis Y6
Felix Y3

Rock Heroes

These children can answer in less than 1 second!

Harry Y5
Joseph Y5
William Y5
Edward Y4
Henry Y6
Yinuo Y4



View Full Calendar

Coming up at Lostwithiel Primary School

Friday 13th November	PTA non uniform day - bring an item for Christmas hampers 3:15pm Children in need donut sale
Friday 27th November 3-5pm	PTA Christmas Fayre
Friday 11th December	PTA Secret Santa event
Friday 18th December	Last day of Autumn term (normal finish time)

COFFEE AND PASTRIES WITH THE HEADTEACHER

Friday 4th December
9:30am Library

CHRISTMAS SCHOOL LUNCH

Wednesday 9th December

Non uniform and raffle prizes



Please support our non-uniform day on Friday 13th by bringing in an item to go into our festive hampers. Each year group will have different items to bring in please see the poster (on Class Dojo) for your year group with suggestions of items. Children will bring to their class teacher and PTA will collect.

Children will also be coming home with an envelope containing raffle tickets to sell to friends and family. Please return the stubs and money no later than Wednesday 25th November. If you need more tickets, please dojo the office.

Tiny Trees - sweet and savoury snacks

Reception - festive goodies

Year 1 - festive baking

Year 2 - crafting crazy

Year 3- games night

Year 4 - scented self-care

Year 5 - sweet and savoury snacks

Year 6 - NYE hamper.


Christmas Fair
Join us for a festive, family afternoon at our school Christmas Fair!
Friday 27th November
3-5pm
Meet Santa!
Christmas Games
Hot Chocolates & Refreshments
Buy Your Class Craft!
Our Wonderful Christmas Hamper Raffle!
Including brilliant days out for families too!
Lots of fun to be had!

Christmas Wreath Making Workshop

Parent & Child Festive Evening

Create a beautiful Christmas wreath together!

Join us for a fun-filled festive workshop and make a stunning Christmas wreath to decorate your home this holiday season.

Monday 30th November | **5:30pm** | **School Hall**

£10 PER WREATH

Your booking includes:

- A festive drink
- A delicious festive treat
- All wreath-making materials provided
- A handmade wreath to take home

BOOKING INFORMATION

Book via the PTA

Please book by Monday 16th November

- Bring your child and enjoy quality time together
- Create something special for Christmas
- Perfect for all crafting abilities

A Festive Evening of Creativity, Fun & Christmas Cheer!

SPACES ARE LIMITED – BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!

We look forward to celebrating the festive season with you.

Supporting every child to **Thrive**

Meet our therapy team

At CELT, we are proud to have a dedicated Therapy Team supporting our schools throughout the 2026-27 academic year.

The team includes Educational Psychologists, an Occupational Therapist, Speech and Language Therapists, and a Speech and Language Therapy Apprentice.

Working alongside school staff, they help create inclusive learning environments where every child can thrive, learn and succeed.
Throughout the year, the team may:

- Visit schools and classrooms
- Observe learning environments
- Model effective strategies for staff
- Deliver training and professional development
- Provide advice that supports pupils across classes and schools

You may see members of the Therapy Team in school, interacting with pupils as part of their work to support staff and enhance learning environments. These interactions help develop inclusive approaches that benefit all children.

At CELT, we believe every child deserves the opportunity to flourish, and our Therapy Team plays an important role in helping our schools provide the support children need to reach their full potential.

Sarah King
Educational Psychologist



I work with young people to find out what their strengths are, what they love spending their time doing and what they tend to find more challenging.

I use this information to work with them, their teachers and their families to help them make the changes they would like to see. I work hard to try and make things go as smoothly as possible for young people in school.

Louise Ryves
Speech and Language Therapist



I support young people with communication skills. This can be anything from understanding what is said to them, to being able to ask for the things they need, to being able to talk to and be with friends.

I meet with them and we may carry out some activities together so that I can find out about their strengths and the things they find harder. We work together find effective ways around things that are tricky for them.

Morwenna Boisseau
Paediatric Occupational therapist



I help children and young people take part in the things they need and want to do at home, at school and in everyday life .

I spend time finding out what helps them feel safe and ready to learn. We then work together to find ways to make practical everyday activites feel more manageable.

Wendy Thomas
Educational Psychologist



I work with young people to find out what their strengths are, what they love spending their time doing and what you find more challenging.

I use this information to work with you, your teachers and your family to help you make any changes you would like to see. My main goal is to help things go as smoothly as possible for children and young people in school.