




# Weekly Newsletter

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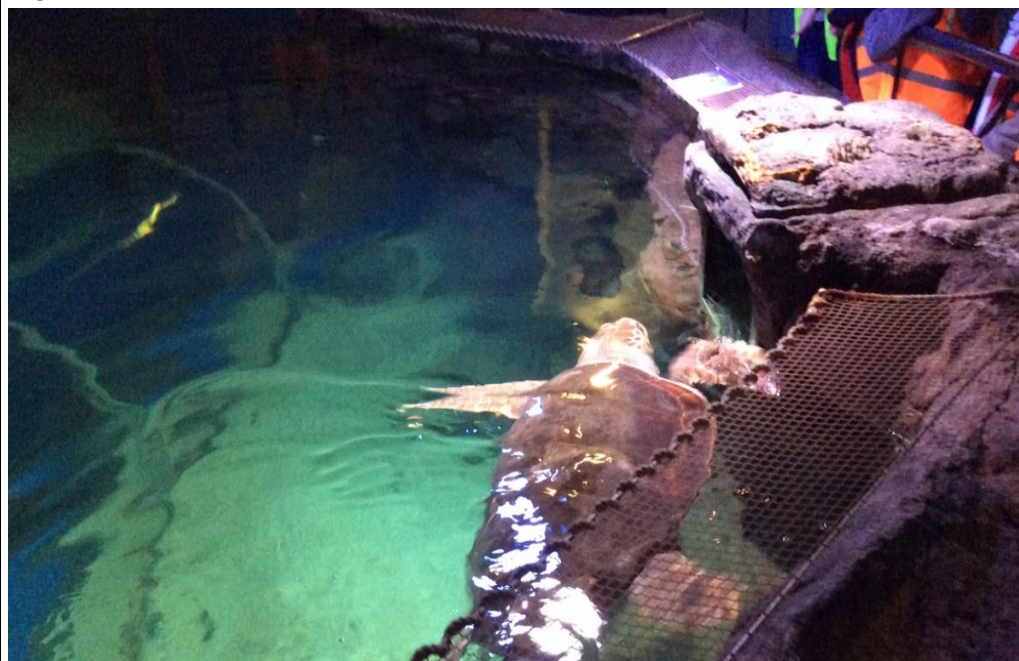
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## This week's focus:

### Newquay Aquarium Trip – Godolphin Class

On Tuesday 5th March, Godolphin class went to the blue reef aquarium in Newquay. They had a workshop, where they learnt about starfish, crabs and lobsters, and were lucky enough to be able to touch starfish and crabs to see what they felt like. We also went exploring around the rock pools on the beach, and found some fish eggs! Inside the aquarium we saw an array of different sea animals, including sharks, turtles and crocodiles! It was a brilliant trip and the children can't wait to learn more about sea life.



## Dates for your diary:

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**11<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> March** – British STEM week

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March** – Shoebox Racer Competition

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March** – Space Odyssey in the Hall

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March** – Pirate Quest/Newquay trip for Carn Brea Class

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March** – Science Adventures Show – in the Hall

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**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March**  
NEXUS Maths Masterclass 8.55am

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March** – Parent meetings

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March** – Parent meetings

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** – Sport Relief Day – Dress up as favourite Sports Star (suggested donation £1)

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**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March** – RMAT Gala Performance at The Regal Theatre, Redruth

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**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April**  
NEXUS Maths Masterclass 8.55am

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April**  
Bling your ride day

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April**  
Easter Experience at Penponds Church (Carn Brea class – am; Godolphin – pm)

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April**  
Easter Experience at Penponds Church (Trencrom Class – pm)

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April** –





### Apprentice Week

A massive thank you to the 5 apprentices from Pendennis Shipyard that helped with our allotment at school on Tuesday and Mr Partridge who supervised them. They worked like troopers all day even when it started to pour down. They laid 3 tons of granite chippings, half a ton of sand for the new sandpit, swept up a winter's worth of pine needles from our paths, cleared 2 sheds, scrubbed mould off some slippery decking and sorted out our poly tunnel ready for planting. Oh, and they also built a tyre wall. They were a credit to Pendennis shipyard and well mannered, polite and enthusiastic.



### Writing assessment

On Wednesday evening teachers from Troon, St Meriadoc Junior, St Johns and St Marys school in Penzance came to Penponds to compare writing assessments to ensure that writing judgments are valid and robust. Teachers compared examples of text types and genres from Year 5 and 6 and discussed the content, composition and handwriting that children had produced. It was a very useful staff meeting and no one was put off by the interesting costumes that the Penponds teachers were wearing.

Easter Experience at Penponds Church  
(Tregonning Class – am)

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April** – Last Day for children

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April** – INSET day  
– no children in school

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April** – First day back for children

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April** – Beach Safety talk in the Hall

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April** – Pasty Day  
– pasties for school lunch to celebrate Trevithick Day

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April** – Trevithick Day, Camborne

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April**  
NEXUS Maths Masterclass  
8.55am

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April** – Class 3 swimming (morning session) replacing lesson on 21<sup>st</sup> January.

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May** – Bank Holiday

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May**  
NEXUS Maths Masterclass  
8.55am

**13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> May** – SATs week for Year 6

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May** – Half-term holiday

**3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> June** – Trencrom Class - Camp at Eden

**2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> July** – RMAF London Trip – Tregonning Class

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July** – Penponds Family Festival

**15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> July** – Work Experience Students in school

**15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> July** – Transition Days for Year 6 at CSIA





### World Book Day

As part of our World Book Day celebrations Mr Brolly from the Minack Theatre visited us to tell us stories throughout the day. Mr Brolly delighted the children with traditional tales of Cornish fairy folk. These 'drolls' included stories of the Piskeys,



Spriggens and sirens. I am sure the children can retell some of these stories if you ask!



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**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July** – last day for children

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**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July** – INSET Day

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**First day back for children:**

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

### INSET DAYS 2019/2010

Wed 4<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Mon 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Fri 12<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Mon 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Thu 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2020

### Attendance and Awards for this week:

#### Attendance %:

**Carn Brea:** 94.74%

**Godolphin:**

**Y1** – 96.08%

**Y2** – 92.59%

**Trencrom** – 95.24%

**Tregonning** - 94.02%

#### Attendance Trophy:

#### Year 1, Godolphin Class Awards:

**Top Table:** William G, Charlotte, Isla, Joel

**Carn Brea:** Esmee, Austin, Hermione

**Godolphin:**

**Y1** – Piran, Elijah, Annabelle

**Y2** – Laurie, Charlie, Harry M

**Trencrom** – Elijah, Jayden, Sophia

**Tregonning** – Lilly, Jasmine, Amy

**Headteacher** – Sebastian, Maisy, Laurie, Alfie K, Vincent, Alex C

**Maths** – Harvey, William G, Isla, Mack, Kaira



## Snuggledown

At our snuggledown we had an extra guest! Bella the reading dog came along with her waggy tail to help Miss Souch read her story 'Nell the Detective Dog.' Bella is a Pets as Therapy dog who can work alongside children in schools. She had a lovely time meeting all the children at Penponds School.



## Quote of the week:

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." – Dr. Seuss



## Snuggledown

On Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March we had our snuggle down, where children were allowed to come at half past 6 in their pyjamas. The children who came were split into groups. The groups went into different rooms to enjoy numerous stories. To finish it all off, the children snuggled down to enjoy a cup of hot chocolate and a biscuit. A great thanks to all of the staff who volunteered on the night. They all looked great (especially Mr Richards who wore a bright pink dressing gown!). It was a great night and we hope everyone enjoyed it. Everyone looked amazing in their world book day costumes as well and it was obvious that a lot of hard work was put into them. By Lilly, Ellena and Amy











### British Science Week at Penponds School



Next week we are celebrating British Science week and have planned some exciting learning opportunities for the children. Soap box racers on Monday, the Cornish Records office staff visiting on Wednesday and a science theatre production on Thursday. On Tuesday, by popular demand, the astronomer Simon Ould brings his Dome into school and everyone will be able to

experience one of his shows. **This year we are able to invite parents to the 2pm show in the hall with your children – so if you're available why not come into school at 2pm next week for a journey through space and time?**

### British Heart Foundation and Cancer Research

I am raising money for the British Heart Foundation and Cancer Research by giving up chocolate and exercising every day in February and March. Please support me by donating to these worthwhile charities. There will be a collection pot in the office if you wish to donate or visit my fundraising page on Facebook. Thank you.  
Mrs Trudy Watts







# What parents need to know about **INSTAGRAM**



## IN-APP PAYMENTS

Instagram allows payments for products directly through the app. It operates under the same rules as Facebook Payments, which state that if you are under the age of 18, you can only use this feature with the involvement of a parent or guardian.

## PHOTO / VIDEO SHARING

Posting photos and videos is Instagram's biggest selling point, but with sharing images comes risks. A photo which includes landmarks in the area, their school uniform, street name, house and even tagging in the location of the photo uploaded to Instagram can expose the child's location, making it easy to locate them. If their account is not set to private, anyone can access their account and see their location.

Public locations can be added to a user's photos/videos and also to their stories. While this may seem like a good idea at the time, it can expose the location of your child. This is particularly more of a risk if it is on their story, as it is real time.

Like Twitter, hashtags are also an extremely prominent tool in Instagram and with that comes dangers for your child. One person may use a seemingly innocent hashtag with one particular thing in mind, and before you know it hundreds of people could be using the same hashtag for something inappropriate or dangerous that your child certainly shouldn't be exposed to.

Instagram TV works similarly to YouTube. Users can watch videos from their favourite accounts on the platform, or create their own channel and post their own videos. It's important to note that anyone can create their own Instagram TV channel and you don't have to be friends with a person to follow an account and watch their videos. Ultimately, features are encouraging users to spend more time on the app, therefore it's important to set time limits and ensure their devices are not disturbing their sleep and performance at school.

## Top Tips for Parents



If you are happy for your child to have a card associated with their Instagram account, we suggest adding a PIN which needs to be entered before making a payment; this will also help prevent unauthorised purchases. This can be added in the payment settings tab.

If your child's account is not set to private, anybody can message them and reply to their stories. If they do wish to keep their account public, we strongly recommend changing the message reply settings to restrict who can message them.

By default, any image or video your child uploads to Instagram is visible to anyone. A private account means that you have to approve a request if somebody wants to follow you and only people you approve will see your posts and videos.

Instagram announced on 1st May that they now have an 'anti-bullying' filter on the app. This new filter hides comments relating to a person's appearance or character, as well as threats to a person's wellbeing or health. The filter will also start Instagram to repeated problems so they can take action against the user if necessary. This is an automatic filter, but it can be turned off. Make sure this is turned on in the app's settings.

Even though it is a feature that will not stop people from taking screenshots, it will stop others being able to directly share photos and videos from a story as a message to another user. This feature can be turned off in the settings. We also recommend turning off the feature which automatically shares photos and videos from a story to a Facebook account.

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Email us at [hello@nationalonlinesafety.com](mailto:hello@nationalonlinesafety.com) or call us on 0800 368 8061





# Cornish Seal Sanctuary

## **SPRINT FOR SEALS 2019** **Sunday 24th March**

Say hello to the seals and take in the view  
of the Helford estuary during our

### **3K muddy fun run at the Cornish Seal Sanctuary!**

Registration 8.30am - Run starts at 9.30am

All entrants receive an exclusive 'Sprint for Seals 2019' medal, a Cornish Seal Sanctuary reusable water bottle and entry to the sanctuary.

To register, please head to [www.visitsealife.com/gweek](http://www.visitsealife.com/gweek) or call us on 01326 221361



Open to all ages. £12 under 16's. £15 over 16's.

All proceeds will go towards our work rescuing, rehabilitating and releasing seal pups from around the coastline. You can help further support the seals! Why not fundraise a little extra?

**During the run, you will encounter slopes, hills and muddy/  
bumpy areas.**

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*Little Acorns*



# SPRING FAYRE

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March**

**10am – 12pm**

**At Little Acorns Pre-school, Penponds,  
Camborne, TR14 0QN    Tel: 01209 718990**

**Cake Stall**

**Craft Activities**

**Easter Trail**

**Tombola**

**Lucky dip**

**Spring Raffle**

**Face Painting**

**Easter Bonnet Competition**

**Everyone welcome. Please come along to  
support your local Pre-school.**

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# CLARINET DAY!

## WHEN

**13th April**  
**10am - 5.30pm**

## WHERE

**Truro School**

**Trennick Lane, Truro, TR1 1TH**

## WORKSHOP LEADERS:

**MALBEC CLARINET QUARTET – NICK SHIPMAN, KAREN AYTON,  
EMILY GARROD, OSCAR ARGUELLES.**

## CONTACT:

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**ALL AGES AND  
ABILITIES EVENT**

**DAY TICKET FOR  
WORKSHOP AND  
CONCERT**

**£25 (discount for siblings)**

**A celebration of the  
Clarinet. A day for  
Clarinetists of any ability  
and age to get together  
and make music!**



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# Bringing children's services together

Under 'One Vision', the multi-agency partnership plan for children, young people and their families, all the agencies working with children in Cornwall believe that greater integration is the best way of improving the effectiveness of services. In order to achieve this, the Council is in the process of bringing all its children's services together under an Integrated Children's Services Directorate.

## Transfer of services

On 1 April 2019 Public Health Nursing (Health Visiting, School Nursing and some Specialist Speech and Language Therapy) will transfer into Cornwall Council from Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (CFT). This is the beginning of a wider programme to integrate education, early years, children's community health, early help and social care services.

## What will it mean for me and my child/children?

The services you and your child/children currently receive will remain the same and will continue to be provided by the same staff. In order to ensure continuity of service, a copy of your and your child/children's electronic and paper records will be transferred to the Council's secure children's system. Your information will be transferred in a secure manner and access will be restricted, as it is now. Records will be held for the same retention and disposal periods.




*Our services will remain the same and will continue to be provided by the same staff*

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# Communication

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## Makaton – Beginners Workshop

The Makaton  
Beginners' Workshop  
provides a practical  
introduction to the  
Makaton Language  
Programme enabling  
participants to use the  
signs and symbols with  
people who have  
communication  
difficulties.

### Location:

Redruth Community Centre  
Foundry Row  
Chapel Street  
Redruth  
TR15 1AN

Date: 21 & 28 March 2019

9:30am – 4:30pm

2 sessions

Tutor: Ellener Whittaker

Course fee: £75.00

If you receive certain benefits you may  
be entitled to a free course.

To enrol please quote the  
course reference

C3530058

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

**We would like to invite your son/daughter to have a 1 Week free trial at our Carn Brea Mini Soccer Centre.**

The Centre runs every Saturday from 9:00am – 10:30am at a cost of £4.50 per session, the sessions consist of learning basic skills needed for football (Dribbling, protecting the ball, passing, shooting etc) along with a range of fun enjoyable warm up and skill games not to mention matches and tournaments too.

The Centre's purpose is to get people who are new to football involved in a safe and fun environment, so they can hopefully develop as players and go on to play at a higher standard or within a grassroots football team.

If the centre is something you'd be interested in, then all that is needed is correct clothing and footwear (Trainers not Studs) and a drink to be bought to each session.

We hope this is something you would be interested in and look forward to seeing you in the future.

Please let me know if there is any more information you require.

Kind regards,

**Harry Badcock**

West Cornwall Sports and Participation Manager

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## **2019 dates for your diary**

Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> April

10am – Barripper Village Hall and Field

St Michaels Mount to St Michaels Inn Sponsored Walk

• 12<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup> May 2019 (weather depending)

Village Bingo

21<sup>st</sup> June 2019 – Barripper Village Hall

Barripper Harbour Day

4<sup>th</sup> August 2019 – Barripper Village Hall and Field

12pm onwards

Murder Mystery Night

13<sup>th</sup> September 2019 – Barripper Village Hall

7pm onwards

Barripper Village Association Harvest Festival

12<sup>th</sup> October 2019 – St Michaels Mount Inn

7pm onwards

Festive Craft and Toy Table Top Sale

9<sup>th</sup> November 2019 – Barripper Village Hall

10am onwards

Santa's Grotto

14<sup>th</sup> December 2019 – Barripper Village Hall

2pm to 4pm