



**8<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

Dear parents/carers

It's been a busy start to the new half-term here at school, with lots happening in every corner of the building. Here's a little update on everything we've been up to this week.

On Monday, our teaching team spent the day at our academy trust's Inset Day. We focused on how we can continue to develop our teaching practices, based on the latest research in education. It was a brilliant opportunity to share ideas, discuss strategies, and think about how we can keep improving. You might hear your child talking about some new approaches they've been learning in class, like "cold calling" and "think, pair, share." These are just some of the ways we're helping to keep lessons engaging and interactive, so look out for them in your child's lessons!

We're not quite ready to say the "C" word just yet, but we've started to dip our toes into preparations for our Carol Concert. Thankfully, we're in very good hands with Mrs. Hoadley, who's already working hard with the children on songs and performances. It's going to be a lovely event — just don't mention it too loudly yet! Provisional dates can be found below.

Yesterday, we had the pleasure of welcoming prospective new families and children to our Open Morning. It was a lovely chance to show off our school and share everything we're proud of here at Chacewater. Our Year 6 children did a fantastic job acting as tour guides, showing visitors around with confidence and enthusiasm. They were an absolute credit to our school, and I couldn't be prouder of how they represented us. Big thanks to all of them!

Yesterday afternoon, our football team visited Truro Learning Academy for another league match. While the result wasn't what we hoped for, the performance and teamwork were absolutely fantastic. The children showed great sportsmanship and dedication, and that's what really matters. Well done to all the players for their effort and positive attitude — we're very proud of you!

It's been a busy week, but it's also been full of great moments! From inspiring learning to brilliant sportsmanship and enthusiastic school tours, Chacewater Primary is buzzing with energy.

We hope you all have a relaxing weekend, and we'll see you on Monday for another week of fun and learning.

Mr Hick

## Car Parking

Please, please, please can I ask everyone to continue to be considerate about how and where they park, particularly at the end of the day. We have reserved some spaces for staff car parking and this should ensure that there are plenty of spaces in the car park. When parking try and park with the centre of your car in front of the marking slabs. A few reminders:

- Three-point turns/parking immediately outside the school gates are both very real Road Safety issues that must be avoided at all costs.
- Where able, parents/carers of children living in the core of Chacewater Village are asked to consider walking their children to/from school, so as to ease traffic congestion.
- Parents/carers with vehicles are requested to depart as soon as possible after dropping/collecting their children, so as to avoid further traffic congestion, esp. when the Village Hall is also in use.
- Please can we try to ensure that the path through the Millennium Green is used to avoid walking on the road.
- SLOW DOWN! I am still seeing cars drive far too quickly around the area of the school.

## Class Photos

On Friday 15th November we will have Tempest in school to take individual photographs. Please can children come to school in full school uniform for these.

## Remembrance

We will be marking Remembrance Day on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November in school with a one minute silence.

A nice short video you can watch with your children is [HERE](#).

## History Day

On Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December we will be having a whole school history day. On this day we will invite the children to come to school dressed in the period of time that they are learning about. Miss Laskowski will be sending a letter out with further detail very soon.

## Christmas Dates – Provisional (they could change but hopefully not!)

- Tuesday 17th - KS1 nativity - am and pm
- Tuesday 17th - Carol Concert Practice - Church
- Wednesday 18th - Christmas Carol Concert - 1.45pm and 6pm - Church
- Thursday 19th - Acorns nativity

### Children in Need – 15<sup>th</sup> November

We will be raising money for Children in Need on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November. This is the same day as class photos and so we will not be dressing up but will instead take part in our own 'challenge day' to raise money. We will give more details at the beginning of next week.

### End of Term

The end of term will be Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December. Please note that there will be an earlier finish in this day – **1pm**.

### Headlice

A matter that occasionally arises in our school community—headlice. As you may know, these tiny critters can affect children of all ages, and although they are not a health hazard, they can certainly be a nuisance.

We have noticed a slight increase in cases recently, and it's important for us to work together to manage this issue effectively. To help mitigate the spread, we kindly ask that you check your child's hair regularly, especially if they are itching or scratching. Early detection can make all the difference in controlling the situation.

If you do find headlice, there are various treatments available, ranging from over-the-counter lotions to prescription treatments. It's essential to follow the instructions on whichever product you choose. Remember to check the entire family and repeat the treatment as advised, as it may take more than one application to completely eliminate the lice and their eggs.

### Swimming – rapidly approaching – Y5 and Y6



We are really pleased that we will be able to take our Y5 children (Red Oaks) swimming in over a two-week block – week beginning **18<sup>th</sup> November and 25<sup>th</sup> November**. The children will swim every afternoon at Truro Leisure Centre and will be taught by trained swimming instructors. We will travel by coach each day and hope that parents/carers will be able to contribute towards the cost of transport through ParentPay.

The children will need a swimming hat, goggles and a towel for these sessions.

**From the PTA**

## **RAFFLE TICKETS**

Raffle tickets are coming home today with children for the upcoming Christmas Raffle so **please check school bags.** **PLEASE** return any unwanted raffle tickets back to the school so others can buy them. Many thanks!!

## **CHRISTMAS FAYRE - Sat 23rd Nov - 12-4pm**

**Elf Workshops** - Due to the great success and feedback from last year's elf workshops, we have decided to bring them back again this year. There will be two separate craft workshops, one for younger children (targeted age 7 and under - parent supervision will be required) and the second for older children (targeted age 8+)

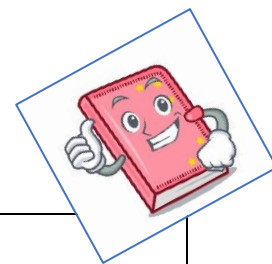
To book into one of the Christmas Elf Workshops on Sat 23rd Nov please click the below booking link. There is a choice of timings with limited numbers so please book in advance to avoid disappointment.

**Book [HERE](#)** - [Chacewater School PTA](#)

## **CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING - ~~EVENT CANCELLED~~**

*Unfortunately due to lack of ticket sales we have decided to cancel this event.*

*Huge thankyou to everyone who donated Tombola items today for Non uniform day, we appreciate every single donation received.*



### **Dates For Your Diary**

15.11.24	Children in Need Challenge Day
15.11.24	Tempest Class Photos
23.11.24	PTA Christmas Fayre
11.12.24	Christmas Lunch
W/b 16.12.24	Christmas Nativities and Carol Concert
20.12.24	End of Term – 1pm Finish



## **GOLDEN AWARD WINNERS**

ACORNS	Ava & Charlotte
SEEDLINGS	Tina & Teddy
BUDS	Alfie & Finn
YOUNG OAKS	Florence & Jessie
BUR OAKS	Arthur & Caleb
RED OAKS	Isla & Stanley
MIGHTY OAKS	Blake & Ella-Jane





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## Activity Day at Truro High School

FOR YEAR 6 STUDENTS LOOKING TO JOIN US IN YEAR 7

SATURDAY 23 NOVEMBER  
9.15am-3.15pm



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