



Friday 19th July 2024

Dear parents/carers,

I hope that you and your families are safe and well. Our penultimate week of the summer term has been another busy one. On Tuesday we had our moving up morning where each of our classes had the chance to spend the morning with their new teacher in their new classrooms in preparation for September.



We were also delighted to welcome into school for their second transition session, our new reception class children who will be joining us in September. Everyone had lots of fun getting to know their new teachers and investigating their new classrooms!

Year R – Seal Sanctuary Visit

Last week the children in Reception Class visited The Cornish Seal Sanctuary. The children had the opportunity to experience wonderful marine animals up close and personal and learn all about their individual stories. They thoroughly enjoyed observing the seal pups whilst they were being fed. Thank you to all the parents/carers that supported the visit.



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Year 6 London Residential



On Wednesday this week, our Year 6 children set off on their eagerly anticipated London Residential. For many, this was their first time away from home, and, although a little apprehensive, they were very excited for the adventure to come! They left school on Wednesday at 7am and had an incredibly



smooth journey to London arriving well ahead of schedule at the Science Museum, where they enjoyed investigating some of the amazing exhibits.



Following this, they made their way to The London Eye for a tea-time flight where they were all very excited to see the incredible views of London as the flight progressed.



In the early evening the group went on a walking tour where they saw, Horse Guards Parade, Downing Street, the Cenotaph, Trafalgar Square, Nelsons Column and The National Gallery before passing under Admiralty Arch and heading up the Mall to see Buckingham Palace. They then made their way back to the YHA at St Paul's where they settled into their rooms, had dinner and prepared for another full day on Thursday.



Thursday saw the group walk to Shakespeare's Globe Theatre where they took part in a fantastic workshop followed by the opportunity to watch a rehearsal!



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After leaving the Globe Theatre, the group headed back to St Paul's Cathedral, where they had a tour and walked up the 379 steps to The Stone Gallery. Before heading to the Tate Modern, where they were able to study lots of contemporary artworks, the group had some time to relax in a local park and enjoy their lunch. To end an incredibly busy and fun-packed day, they had a meal at a Giraffe Café, followed by watching the amazing performance of 'The Lion King' at the Lyceum Theatre. They finally returned to the YHA for another good night's sleep.



This morning saw the group packing their bags for the return journey before making their way to the Palace of Westminster where they were given a tour which included, Westminster Hall, St Stephen's Hall, Central Lobby and the House of Lords/House of Commons.



At the end of the visit, the children made their way to a park close to The London Eye where they were able to let off steam and have lunch before departing London for the journey home.

The group are expected to arrive back some time around 21:00, dependent on traffic.



Parents/carers of the Year 6 children will be kept up to date with text messages as the journey progresses.



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The adults accompanying the trip would like to express their thanks to the children for being polite and courteous, kind and caring to each other and respectful of the adults and members of the public that they encountered during the whole visit. We are



very proud of you and hope that your first residential away was full of memories to cherish always!



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School Games Gold Mark Award

We are delighted to announce that we, Connor Downs Academy, have achieved the School Games Gold Mark Award for the 2023/24 academic year.

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

Our sporting achievements this year include: U11 hard ball county cricket champions, Year 5 county cricket champions, Year 4 county cricket champions, Year 3 runners up in the county cricket tournament. Year 6 Tag rugby festival, Pirates tag rugby coaching, Dance coaching with Mounts Bay Academy, Swimming classes for every class, Tennis coaching with Hayle Tennis Club, Mayor's football competition. Variety of football festivals and tournaments. Active breaks and lunch times. Mounts Bay Academy - Activity day (climbing and cycling) Residentials - Carnyorth, Camp Kernow and school field camp. Sports day.

With a huge number of our young people competing in local inter-school competitions this year, we are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible. As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.



**THANK
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A special thanks to all the parents and volunteers who have made this possible.

We look forward to applying once again in 2025!

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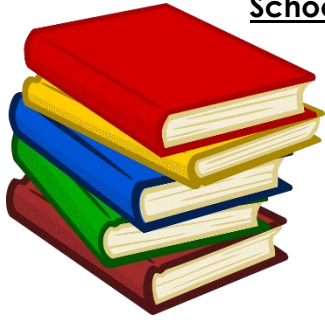
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School Books



Reminder, next Monday, 22nd July, we will be sending your child's/children's exercise books and work folders home with them for you to keep. Please can we ask that each child brings in 2 shopping bags for this purpose. Thank you!

Reminder – Last Day of Term

Next **Tuesday, 23rd July** is our last day in school. Can we kindly remind parents/carers that School closes at **2pm**, so please ensure arrangements are in place for your child/children to be collected at the earlier time. Thank you for your continued support.

Attendance

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Our school target for attendance is 97%		
1 st Place	Year 3	99.1 %
2 nd Place	Year R	98.1 %

Kind regards,



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Term Dates - 2024/2025 Academic Year

Autumn Term

Tuesday 3rd September 2024 to Friday 20th December 2024

Tuesday 3rd September – **Inset Day** – (School closed to pupils)
Wednesday 4th September – Years 1 – 6 **First day of autumn term**
Wednesday 4th September – Year R – Home visits
Thursday 5th and Friday 6th September – Year R – **Morning only** (08:30am – 11:30am)
Monday 9th September – Year R – Full time
Friday 25th October – **Last day of first half of autumn term – 3:15pm Finish**
Half Term – Monday 28th October 2024 to Friday 1st November 2024
Monday 4th November – **First day of second half of autumn term**
Friday 20th December – **Last day of autumn term – 2pm Finish**
Christmas Holidays – Monday 23rd December 2024 – Friday 3rd January 2025

Spring Term

Monday 6th January 2025 – Friday 4th April 2025

Monday 6th January – **First day of spring term**
Thursday 13th February - **Last day of first half of spring term – 3:15pm Finish**
Friday 14th February - **Inset Day** – (School closed to pupils)
Half Term – Monday 17th February 2025 to Friday 21st February 2025
Monday 24th February – **First day of second half of spring term**
Friday 4th April – **Last day of spring term – 2pm Finish**
Easter Holidays – Monday 7th April 2025 to Monday 21st April 2025

Summer Term

Tuesday 22nd April 2025 to Wednesday 23rd July 2025

Tuesday 22nd April - **First day of Summer Term**
Monday 5th May - Bank Holiday (School Closed)
Half Term – Monday 26th May 2025 to Friday 30th May 2025
Monday 2nd June – **First day of second half of summer term**
Friday 18th July – **Last day of summer term – 2pm Finish**
Monday 21st July - **Inset Day** - (School closed to pupils)
Tuesday 22nd July - **Inset Day** - (School closed to pupils)
Wednesday 23rd July - **Inset Day** - (School closed to pupils)

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Summer Active Holiday Camp
Monday - Thursday
10.00am - 2.00pm
5-16 years old

Mounts Bay Academy TR18 3JT
22nd - 25th July • 29th July - 1st August
5th - 8th August • 12th - 13th August

St Marys Catholic School Pz TR18 2AT
Follow QR code for dates

£18 a day or free for FSM
Transport if 3+ miles away - follow QR link below

Lots of fun, play and action!

Football	Slip and Slide	Biking
Swimming	Rugby	Badminton
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Arts and Crafts	Benchball	Cricket

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MBA Holiday Activities start next week

It's back: Water Sports Wednesday's swimming / Slip and Slide and Team Festival Thursday's.

There are some great activities on offer, they cover a mixture of sports activities and creative activities, water activities to Bike Track to record label (music) and Trampolining.

BOOK - Click the link:

[11-16yrs Booking](#)

[5-11yrs Booking](#)

[Football Camps](#)

[Swimming - St Marys C Pz](#)

We are again delighted to be offering the MBA Time 2 Move Holiday Programme this Summer from the 22nd July, Mon - Thurs until the last day on the 13th Aug.

The Holiday Programme is open to all young people aged 5 to 16 and is fully funded for those who are in receipt of benefits-related Free School Meals.

Included is a FREE hot lunch for all who attend. We also supply a limited minibus service to support the families and young children to attend.

(BUS BOOKING FORM)

We had lots of positive feedback from families whose children got involved in the programme over our past camps and would recommend taking a look at the activities on offer and book before places are full.

If you have any questions regarding the activities or need some help with booking on, please feel free to contact holidaycamp@mountsbayacademy.org

Free School Meal (FSM) voucher codes

Original voucher codes should still be working. If you need to check or re add yours, please head to [Time2Move](#) to find out how to get your code.

Discounts

We offer discount for every 4 sessions booked. This is applied at the end of the booking, for paying families.

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