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A message from
Mrs. Eddy

Autumn Term 2024

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As we approach the end of the autumn term, it is time to celebrate what an incredibly busy, exciting and successful term we have all enjoyed.

Back in September, we welcomed our youngest children into Reception, and we are delighted with the way they settled so quickly, made friends and embraced their learning.



EYFS having fun exploring.

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We are proud of the hard work and dedication shown by our children and as a result, the pleasing progress which has been made.



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There has been a vast array of trips, external visitors and enrichment activities for each year group to engage with, linked to their year group curricular coverage.



Year 5 enjoyed their visit to the Minack Theatre where they developed their acting skills on the world famous stage.

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Year 1 visiting Penlee House and Museum as part of their history topic looking at toys past and present.

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Year 5

on their expedition to the summit of Rough Tor to launch their biography writing about Sir Ernest Shackleton.

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Rough Tor explorers!

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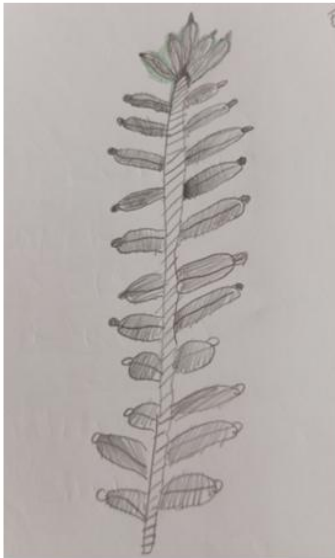
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Sports and the arts have been high on the agenda this term.



Year 3

Drawing has been the focus in art, with the class developing their skill in mark making and sketching still life objects while learning about the artist William Morris.

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The array of sporting events has been immense.



Bikeability lessons ensured that our Year 5 children have been trained to ride their bicycles safely on our busy roads.



Year 6 enjoying learning the life skill of swimming at St Ives Leisure Centre.

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Mr Eddy, from Mounts Bay Academy, shared the story of his recent sporting success in Hawaii, taking part in an ultra-triathlon. What an accomplishment! The children asked interesting questions and considered how much the human body can achieve with dedication, focus and careful preparation.

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Our student council represented Connor Downs Academy admirably at the Hayle Remembrance Sunday.

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The children placed a wreath on the war memorial on behalf of all from Connor Downs Academy.

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Our term ended celebrating Christmas.

Thank you to our Friends of Connor Downs Academy for organising and running a very successful Autumn Disco, uniform, book and ice -cream sales, Bag2School collection and festive wreath making, along with the amazing Christmas Fayre.



Santa visiting in the magical grotto, assisted by his elves!

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Mrs Burden leading Year 4 brass instrument Christmas Performance.

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Each class produced Christmas crafts.

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Our EYFS and KS1 children performed brilliantly in their nativity, 'A King is Born'.



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The beautiful Christingle service at Phillack Church.

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The KS2 children performed their Christmas Carol concert, 'Hosanna Rock' to a packed audience in school and again at Phillack Church.

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Through their singing of carols, the retelling of the nativity story and their playing of musical instruments, they brought the spirit of Christmas alive to all. Thank you to Mrs Burden for her support with this performance.

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On behalf of all from Connor Downs Academy, I would like to wish you and your family health, happiness, peace and prosperity this Christmas and in the coming New Year.

I look forward to welcoming you back to school in 2025.

Kind regards,

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