



Diary Dates

April

8th Last day of Spring Term 2
school & nursery close at 1.30pm
25th First day of Summer Term 1

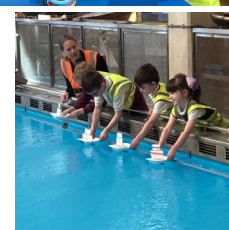
May

2nd Bank holiday
3rd School closure day



Curriculum day for Year 1 & Year 2: Maritime Museum

On Wednesday, Year 1 & Year 2 went to the National Maritime Museum in Falmouth for a day of exploration and learning. They took part in a workshop learning about Sir Francis Drake and his travels around the globe, built their own boats and sailed them in the pool and learnt about the RNLI, historical navigation and monsters of the deep! Everyone had a great day and the children's behaviour was impeccable: truly excellent ambassadors of Padstow School! A big thank-you to Cornwall Heritage Trust for the grant they awarded us, which helped keep the coach cost to parents as low as possible.

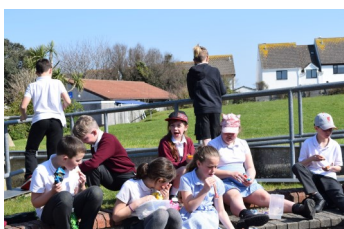


Cross-country running excellence

Well done to Austin, Jack M and Josh C for representing East Cornwall at the Cornwall School Games Primary cross-country Final in Newquay earlier this week. Lucas also qualified—by finishing in the top 10 in the 2 local cross-country events recently—but was unable to run on the day. Congratulations to you all—and at least you had good weather for the Final!

Enjoying our outdoor spaces

At last the weather feels more spring-like and the children have really been making the most of it: from gardening sessions, to more outdoor learning, to eating lunch 'al fresco' and all classes playing together on the field: we are taking every opportunity to get the children outside and enjoy the outdoor spaces we have.





New resources at the Nursery

The nursery is closed to children today, but the staff there are busy building and setting-up an array of new furniture and resources. We are extremely fortunate to have secured funding from Aspire to enable us to purchase these resources and—when **nursery re-opens on Monday**—the children will have great fun exploring everything!



Nursery Open Event for prospective parents

There is an Open Evening at Padstow Nursery on Wednesday 27th April from 4pm to 6pm. Any parents and children looking for a nursery space starting in September, or later in the academic year, are welcome to come along and look around the nursery and chat to Mrs Parsons and the team. There is no need to book in advance. Please let family & friends know about it. Thank you.

Next week is LAST week of after-school clubs this term

Next week will be the final sessions for the after-school clubs this term (except Miss Webster's yoga club that finished yesterday). We hope the children have enjoyed the clubs provided this term and we will send a letter home after the Easter holidays with the choice of clubs for the Summer term. Clubs will be bookable through Arbor as usual, but we will ensure the booking window opens at 6pm on the relevant day, to ensure everyone can access it as soon as it opens. More information will follow after the Easter holidays.

Bikeability sessions finished

This year's Bikeability sessions for children in years 4, 5 & 6 are now completed and all participants received a badge and certificate relevant to the training they underwent. The aim of the Bikeability is for all primary-aged children to have completed their level 2 (road-based) training by the time they leave Year 6, so they then can progress to Level 3, if they wish, during Year 7 at Wadebridge School (with the same instructor). Many thanks to Phil from Arena for again delivering excellent training sessions—he will be back next year! - and to Padstow Cycle Hire for kindly lending us bikes and helmets to ensure that all children could participate.



Our Reception year children will be receiving Bikeability Balance lessons in July.

PTFA meeting

A reminder, further to our email last Friday, that the new date for the PTFA meeting postponed from last week is:

Wednesday 6th April at 6:30pm at Padstow Holiday Park, Coast Swimming Pool, PL28 8LB (no swimming costume required!). All parents and carers are invited to become part of the Parents, Teachers and Friends Association. We are a very friendly group and would welcome new members as we move forward.

If you have any questions, please email Rebecca Smith at harris.rebecca@live.co.uk.

Padstow School Golden Rules:

Show respect & good manners at all times
Follow instructions with thought & care
Care for everyone & everything

Padstow Golden Rule certificate winners:

Puffin: **All Year 1s**, for showing respect & good manners
Kittiwake: **John**, for following instructions
Oystercatcher: **Heidi**, for showing respect & good manners
Cormorant: **Evie**, for following instructions
Curlew: **Doug**, for following instructions

Padstow School Values:

Aspiration, Spirit, Passion, Integrity, Resilience & Excellence

Padstow School Value certificate winners for this week are:

Puffin: **Beau**, for Excellence
Kittiwake: **Harry M**, for Excellence
Oystercatcher: **Esme**, for Resilience
Cormorant: **Thomas**, for Spirit
Curlew: **Jasmine**, for Aspiration

Mrs Whitford's Certificates



This week Mrs Whitford presented certificates to the following pupils:

Ben in Kittiwake class, for a super explanation of a 'contraction' in Read Write Inc

Harry in Kittiwake class, for super sentences in Read Write Inc

Mrs Whitford also praised the **Year 1s** and **Year 2s** for their exceptional behaviour during their trip on Wednesday. They are a real credit to the school. Thanks to all the adults who accompanied the classes, especially to Mrs Bruce for organizing the successful trip.



Stars of the Week!



In order to recognize the improvements in the key skills of reading, writing and maths, the teachers will be awarding a Star of the Week certificate for each of these in every class.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Reading Star</u>	<u>Writing Star</u>	<u>Maths Star</u>
Puffin	Oliver C	Katelyn	Maisie
Kittiwake	Luca	Jak	Dora
Oystercatcher	Devon	Isaac	Lily J
Cormorant	Josh D	Eva	Tilly
Curlew	Kelsie	Roxy	Taylor

JOB ALERT! If you are multi-skilled, have a 'can do' attitude and are looking for a new challenge, then the Aspire Academy Trust is currently recruiting SITE MANAGERS across the Trust. Aspire is a family-friendly employer and offers a competitive salary and clear career progression paths. Full or part time positions are available, and apprenticeships will also be considered. For an informal chat about the roles available, or to arrange a visit to an Aspire academy, please contact the Estates Manager Alastair on 07769 200049 or Estates Administrator Natasha on 07759 851076. Alternatively, send an email to alastair.sneddon@iaspire.net.

Miss Webster's Yoga & Mindfulness Club

Yesterday was the last session of this popular after-school club. The children have learnt some great relaxation techniques over the weeks, which Miss Webster hopes they will keep practicing at home. Last week they tried an outdoor learning technique called 'barefoot safari', feeling different surfaces with their feet and focusing on the sensation.



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