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Head of School: Karen Lintin

Dear Parents & Carers

17/10/2025

Please see important dates and information below for the coming weeks.

Autumn Term

Important dates:

21st October - Y6 Trip to Northam Burrows rock pools and radar station

21st October - PTFA Open Meeting 7-8.30pm School Hall - *Info Poster below*

23rd October - Y4/5 Trip to Northam Burrows rock pools and radar station

27th - 31st October - Half term

14th November - School photographs

18th November - Flu immunisation day

W/B 24th November - Parent Consultations (more information to follow)

W/B 20th October - Email out - SchoolMoney Bookings/After School Club Options for Autumn term 2

19th December - Last day of term

Don't forget to access your child's home learning weekly via the school website, or click [here](#)!

2025/2026 Term dates have been added to our school website [here](#).

Please see the Autumn Term Curriculum Mats [here](#).

Please see the Autumn Term Munch Time Menu via our school website, [here](#). This runs up to the October half term. The Winter Menu is now available to view via the website, this Menu starts from 3rd November 2025, on our return after the half term.

Science Day:

A huge thankyou to the parents who gave up their time to support us in running a Science morning. They helped our students see the real-world applications of science in ways that were engaging and relatable. Their passion and dedication left a lasting impression, and we know many of our students walked away with a renewed curiosity and appreciation for science in everyday life.

Optometrist Talk

The children explored the structure and function of the eye, learning how sunlight affects vision and the importance of eye protection. They discovered how lenses help us see clearly and were amazed to learn the eye is the second most complex organ in the body.

Midwife Talk

The midwife explained baby development from birth, using fruit sizes for comparison. She discussed the role of the umbilical cord, and how babies' skin colour changes after birth.



Pharmacist Session

Children learned that medicine dosages vary per person. The pharmacist demonstrated how antibiotics fight infections using a vinegar and baking soda experiment, emphasising the importance of correct dosage.

EV Battery Demonstration

A parent explained how electric car batteries work, their recyclability, and environmental benefits. The children learned about battery materials like lithium and nickel, and why electric cars, though quieter, require extra caution near roads.

Carpenter Workshop

The carpenter shared how trees grow and transport nutrients. He brought a 3,000-year-old wood sample and explained the roles of bark, sapwood, and heartwood, as well as the uses of hardwood vs. softwood in carpentry.



Net Zero & Climate Talk

A parent discussed insulation, renewable energy sources, and the environmental impact of fossil fuels. The session encouraged children to adopt energy-saving habits and consider sustainable choices to combat climate change.

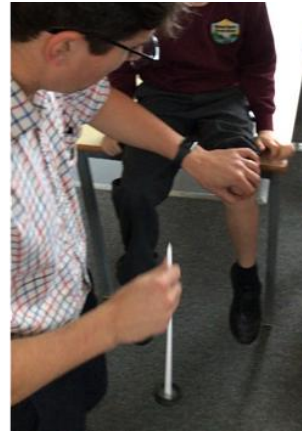
Scientist

Our scientist demonstrated a plasma ball and infrared camera to show how electricity and heat travel. She explained scientific tools used to observe space and stars.



Doctor

A local doctor explained how the body works, focusing on nerves, muscles, and reflexes. Children observed a reflex test using a hammer on the knee, demonstrating how the nervous system responds.



We would like to thank all those that gave their time to come and talk to the children and further their understanding of Science used in everyday jobs.

18th November - Flu immunisation day

Please make sure that you have completed the online form to confirm if you want/do **not** want your child to receive the Flu Immunisation. This is available for children from Reception - Year 6. If you have not already completed the form, please follow the link below and confirm your decision ASAP.

Link: <https://www.kernowimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

School code: **DV113134** (please enter this code in full)

14th November - School photographs

Just a reminder that Tempest Photography will be visiting the school and taking individual/sibling photos on **Friday 14th November**, this will happen during school hours and a link will be sent out at a later date so you can place an order if you so wish.

Eduspot/School Money – Bookings Open W/B 20th October

During next week we will send out an email to all parents to confirm the Afterschool Clubs for Autumn Term 2 and announce that the bookings are open via Eduspot/SchoolMoney for School Dinners, Breakfast Club, Cabin Club and Teacher led Afterschool Clubs. Please keep in mind that this always happens during the week before we head into a half term, if you wanted to pop this in your diary as a reminder.

All bookings work on a first-come first-serve basis to make this as fair as possible for all, so we recommend booking your child onto their desired clubs as soon as you can, especially if you rely on afterschool care for your child.

Cabin Club is beginning to reach capacity on some days, so please do make sure to book in advance where you can, to secure your child's place. If you require your child to be added onto the Cabin Club list unexpectedly during the current week, please inform the school office and if there is space, we will book them in for you, subject to availability.

If you book your child into Cabin Club and then no longer require the booking, please could you let the school office know so we can remove them from the list. Some days we have a waiting list, so this will ensure that we can offer another child the space.

Please be reminded that we do **NOT** run Breakfast Club on a Thursday or Friday.

Cabin Club runs Monday – Thursday.

Residentials 2026

Y4 Rock & Rapid Residential

Thank you for completing the online form to confirm your child's interest. We will confirm cost and set up the deposit and instalment payments on Eduspot/SchoolMoney very soon. Please keep an eye out for an email about this.

Y5 London Residential

Thank you for paying the deposit for your child to secure their place. We will confirm total cost and set up instalment payments via Eduspot/SchoolMoney very soon. Please keep an eye out for an email about this.

Y6 St Georges House Residential

Thank you for completing the online form to confirm your child's interest. We will set up the deposit and further instalment payments on Eduspot/SchoolMoney very soon. Please keep an eye out for an email about this.

Winter Menu 2025/26

The NEW Winter Menu is available to view NOW on the school [website](#) and below, this menu will be operating from **Monday 3rd November**, on our return after the half term holiday.

Munch Time Winter Menu 2025/26

Week Beginning: 3/11/25; 24/11/25; 15/12/25; 5/1/26; 26/1/26; 23/2/26; 16/3/26

WEEK ONE	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main Meal	Oven baked Fishcakes*	Mild Chicken Curry	Homemade Beef Bolognese (GF, DF)	Roast Chicken (GF, DF) & Stuffing (DF)	**Vegetarian Day** Tomato & Basil Pasta (DF, V)
Second Option	Vegetable Fingers (DF, V)	Lentil & Vegetable Pattie (GF, DF, V)	Quorn Bolognese (V)	Vegetable Nuggets (DF, V)	5 Bean Casserole (GF, DF, V)
Sides	Crisscross Potatoes and Baked Beans	Rice, Peas & Naan Bread	Spaghetti Pasta* and Garlic Bread	Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Broccoli & Gravy	Garlic Bread & Cheese
Lite Bite	Roll	Wrap	Roll	Wrap	Roll
Dessert	Fruity Flapjack (GF, DF, V)	Syrup Sponge* (DF) & Custard	Ginger Shortie* (DF, V)	Chocolate Ice Cream Swirl*	Rainbow Ice Lollies (GF, DF, V)

Week Beginning: 10/11/25; 1/12/25; 12/1/26; 2/2/26; 2/3/26; 23/3/26

WEEK TWO	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main Meal	Cod/Salmon Bites* (DF)	Chicken Fillet Bites* (DF)	Butcher Pork Meatballs*	Fish Fillet* (DF)	Beef Burger* or Bacon (GF, DF) in a Bap
Second Option	Quorn Bites (DF, V)	Jacket Potato Cheese & Beans (V)	Vegan Meatballs (DF, V)	Vegetable Carbonara with Spaghetti (V)	Quorn Burger (V)
Sides	Skin-On Fries & Peas	Twister Potatoes & Baked Beans	Mashed Potato, Sweetcorn & Onion Gravy	Herby Cubed Potatoes & Carrots	Hash Brown Puffs (GF, DF, V)
Lite Bite	Roll	Wrap	Roll	Wrap	Roll
Dessert	Fruit Crumble* & Cream	Cookies*	Orange & Mango Iced Smoothie	Madeleine Sponge* (DF, V)	Choc Ice*

Week Beginning: 17/11/25; 8/12/25; 19/1/26; 9/2/26; 9/3/26; 30/3/26 (Mon-Thurs)

WEEK THREE	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main Menu	Fish Finger* (DF)	Cheese/Tomato Pizza & Wholewheat Pasta (DF, V)	Homemade Chilli Con Carne (GF, DF)	(GF) Roast Turkey Crown & Stuffing (DF)	Butcher Pork Chipolata Sausages* (DF)
Second Option	Cheese Wheel (V)	Sweet & Sour Chicken, Wholegrain Rice (GF)	Macaroni Cheese (V)	Vegetable Nuggets (V)	Quorn Sausages (GF, V)
Sides	Skin-On Wedges and Spaghetti Hoops	See above	Rice	Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Peas & Gravy	Herby Cubed Potatoes & Baked Beans
Lite Bite	Roll	Wrap	Roll	Wrap	Roll
Dessert	Chocolate Cracknell (V)	Spicy Shortbread* (DF)	Chocolate Pudding* (DF) & Chocolate Sauce	Vanilla Ice Cream Cup (GF, V)	Berry Iced Smoothie (GF, DF, V)

KEY CODE: GF = Gluten Free; DF = Dairy Free; V = Vegetarian; * = GF alternative will be available

Various Salad Bar Items Available Every Day

Pastoral News

[Play Resource](#)

Please see link above for a simple play resource that we thought you would find helpful. Play is important for children - supporting all areas of their development.

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PTFA MEETING

To plan and discuss events for the coming year. Please attend if you can or message 07866260345 to be added to the PTFA whatsapp if you can't make it but keen to help!

TUES 21ST OCTOBER
School Hall
7-8.30PM

**Tea, coffee and cake -
bring and share!**

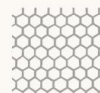




FOOTBALL HOLIDAY CLUB



Join us this summer for fun filled days of football
games, competitions & prizes
Girls & Boys / All abilities
Ages 5 - 15 years



27 - 31 OCTOBER | 9am - 4pm

TARKA LEISURE CENTRE, BARNSTAPLE

28 - 29 OCTOBER | 9am - 4pm

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MONDAY 27th -
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