



The Pen

Parc Eglos News

Message from Mrs Sanderson

Dear parents and carers,

I hope that you all had a lovely half term break and were able to enjoy some sunshine.

This half term is certainly a busy one here at school. This afternoon we welcomed our parents and carers from Y1-5 who came into school to share their children's work and see the progress their children have been making so far this year. It is our intention that these book looks will take place each term to celebrate your child's learning.

Disco Tonight

Thank you to our fantastic PTA, who have arranged tonight's discos - please see the attached flyer for further information. The money raised will be going towards improving our outside provision.

Parents Evenings and Phone Calls.

This week sees our second parents' evening of the year. If you have not yet signed up and would like to please contact the office as the booking forms have now closed.

The Pen Feedback

We have received 4 responses to our request regarding the information shared in this weekly newsletter. If you would like your say, please follow this link (it takes less than 30 seconds to complete and I really value your feedback.)

<https://forms.office.com/e/1vCiXUxCbQ>

Kind regards, Mrs Sanderson

Calendar

Additions in white

3.3.25—7.3.25 - Parents' Evenings

6.3.25 - World Book Day

8.3.25 - Lantern Parade

29.04.25 - Cross Country Race 5*

30.4.25—Year 1 parents Phonics Screening

Check information afternoon 2:45—3:15

13.05.25 - Cross Country Race 6 *

21.05.25 - 23.05.25 - Year 4 BF Adventure

2.6.25 - 4.6.25 - Year 6 Barton Hall

2.7.25 - 4.7.25 - Year 5 Porthpean Trip

* More information to follow

** More information overleaf

Attendance Reminder

Holidays in term time

As a reminder to parents, If you book a holiday in term time which is 5 days or more, and is not approved as an exceptional circumstance, our policy - in line with DFE guidance, is to refer this to the local authority for a fine to be issued. Please also be aware that schools need to consider fining if a child has 10 unauthorised sessions in a rolling 10 week period. Please do contact me if you have any further questions regarding this. Mrs Sanderson



Team Points!

Davy

523

Trevithick

401

Kingsley

481

Trengrouse

310

Letters

Please check out our website: <https://parc-eglos.croftymat.org/parents/newsletter/> for a list of recent communication or alternatively ring the school office to speak to a member of the team.



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PUPIL OF THE WEEK CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

Proudly presented to

YR Poldhu	Matthew and Lowen	Y3 Crantock	Amelia and Lincoln
YR Gunwalloe	To be announced in class on Monday	Y4 Coverack	Oliver I and Saxon
Y1 Rinsey	Dulcie and Eloise	Y4 Gwithian	Maisie R and Poppy
Y1 Godrevy	Benji and Zayn	Y5 Sennen	Bodhi and Reubyn
Y2 Maenporth	Harper, Roman and Kiara	Y5 Zennor	Eben and Gracie
Y2 Swanpool	Logan and Jude	Y6 Fistral	Elizabeth P and Elizabeth W
Y3 Portreath	Evelyn and Arthur	Y6 Holywell	Elsie B and Harry

Boomerang Booking links

	Breakfast Club	After School Club
Week commencing 10th March	https://forms.gle/9Skpn7TS6rq7NswR6	https://forms.gle/DYYk82EFXjsmscBKA
Week commencing 17th March	https://forms.gle/junLvz5GdJ8mFPaA	https://forms.gle/fV8bUiPcHAhjtubz7
Week commencing 24th March	https://forms.gle/jDDiVcVUKDyTbcx7	https://forms.gle/XXfUSGrMohXYHKuW6
Week commencing 31st March	https://forms.gle/7ifW7J77S9nqSpF9A	https://forms.gle/sFKqnbLoNTEGfMLR7

Helston Lantern Parade

Our year 5 children will be making lanterns on Tuesday for the Helston Lantern parade. If you are free on Tuesday and would be able to help, please do let Mrs Hamshar or Mrs Williamson know.

Details of the parade: **Saturday 8th March**

- School groups should arrive at Coronation Park by 6pm for the Parade start at 6.30pm. Groups will assemble in the car park area beside the Old Cattle Market.
- City of Lights staff will inform groups of the Parade order and lanterns will be lit just before the start of the Parade.
- There will be activities happening in Coronation park from 5.00pm when musician Will Keating will be performing on the stage area and Helston Town Band will also be playing.
- The cafe will be open until after the Parade finishes at 7pm.
- **Parents or carers to accompany their children at all times.**



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Young Artists' Summer Show

One of our fab' parents has made us aware of this opportunity. We have registered our school - if you would like to submit any of your children's work, please see details below...

Young Artists' Summer Show 2025

The Young Artists' Summer Show is a free, open submission exhibition for young artists aged 4–18 years living and studying in the UK.

Students can submit one artwork for consideration which will be judged by a panel of artists and arts professionals. Selected artworks will be displayed at the Royal Academy of Arts either onsite or online.

How to submit

- The deadline to submit artwork is 5 March 2025 at 5pm. You can edit submissions until this deadline.
- You can submit one artwork per student.
- For each submission you'll need one image of the artwork plus details including a title, medium and short description.
- You can save the submission as a draft and submit it at a later date if you need more time.

Questions? See our [FAQs](#).

Nursery & Foundation Team

The Foundation children have had a fantastic start back this week, full of curiosity and enthusiasm! They have been exploring the signs of spring outdoors, noticing changes in nature and enjoying the warmer weather. This has sparked lots of discussions about the seasons and the world around them.

In class, they have begun an exciting new topic, *People Who Help Us*, where they are learning about the many important roles people play in our community, from doctors and firefighters to teachers and postal workers. The children have been discovering how these individuals help us in our daily lives and have been thinking about ways they, too, can be helpful—whether at school, at home, or in their wider community. Through stories, role play, and discussions, they are gaining a deeper understanding of kindness, responsibility, and teamwork.



Year 1/2 Team

Welcome back to the new term! The children have returned with lots of enthusiasm and excitement for the term ahead. We are thrilled to announce the launch of our new history topic, "Why is the history of our locality important?" This term, we will delve into the fascinating history of our local area, focusing on Helston Railway Station and the remarkable Henry Trengrouse. Why not take a trip to Helston Railway to support our learning in school.



Year 3/4 Team



We started our week with an opportunity to provide an insight into our classroom culture for Mrs Sanderson by creating mind maps of how our new values and visions are seen in our classrooms. It was so

pleasing to hear our children felt safe, loved and respected by both the adults and their peers. We then spent the rest of the day on health and wellbeing activities. Our chosen focus this half term was on recognising and naming anger, knowing our warning signs and triggers, the strategies we can use to regulate our emotions again and how if we approach conflict in a calm and kind way then we are much more likely to reach a compromise or resolution we are all happy with.

Year 5/6 Team

This term has been an exciting one for our Year 5 children. With the arrival of their much anticipated swimming lessons, every student has been buzzing with enthusiasm. Last half term, it was Sennen class who took the plunge and made waves in the pool. Now, the spotlight has shifted to Zennor class. Each session, the children work diligently on their strokes, breathing techniques, and overall water confidence. The lessons have become a highlight of the week, with laughter and splashes filling the air, as new skills are mastered, and friendships strengthened. The transformation of children going from tentative paddlers to having more confidence with swimming has been very inspiring to watch!





Sports at Parc Eglos

Sporting news...

On Tuesday afternoon we had 8 determined children take part in the Cross Country at Helston South site. It was the 4th run of the season and all the children did very well. Everyone placed in the top 8 in their races, and we are extremely proud of them. A very special well done to Hugo S from Year 4 who won his race, Evelyn (Year 3) for placing second and Albie (Year 5) for placing 3rd. Fantastic resilience and running everyone.

Yesterday, Year 3 started their block of tennis sessions with Penzance and Hayle Tennis Club. They are going to be coaching all the children from Year 3 during their PE sessions over this half term. The children made a great start and fortunately the weather was on our side!



Jo Simms Afterschool Clubs



Jo has some availability in the clubs below

Tuesdays 3.15-4.15pm: Cheer Dance Year 1 & 2

Wednesdays 3.15-4.15pm: Cheer Dance Year 3, 4 & 5

Thursdays 3.15-4.15pm: Cheer Dance Year 1 & 2

































If you would like to book a place, please contact Jo Simms by email
jo@oceanacademyofdance.co.uk



Thank you to everyone that has already returned their reading books, if you haven't done so yet, please can we remind you to bring books back into school next week. These books are a vital resource and are not cheap to replace. Thank you.

Please use the links below to support your children with their Set 1 sound recognition and Word Time reading.

Set 1 Sounds

m 	a 	s 	d 	t 
i 	n 	p 	g 	o 
c 	k 	u 	b 	f 
e 	l 	h 	r 	j 
v 	y 	w 	z 	x 
sh 	qu 	th 	ng  <small>thing on a string</small>	ch 
nk  <small>I think I snail</small>	ck  <small>tick tock clock</small>			

Word Time



Word Time 1.1



Word Time 1.2



Word Time 1.3



Word Time 1.4



Word Time 1.5



Please use the links below
to support your children
with their Set 2 and Set 3
sound recognition and
speedy reading.

Set 2 sounds



Set 3 sounds



Speeding Up Word Reading Videos (updated weekly)



Read Write Inc. Set 1
Green Storybooks
Colour



Read Write Inc. Set 2
Purple Storybooks
Colour



Read Write Inc. Set 3
Pink Colour Storybooks



Read Write Inc. Set 4
Orange Storybooks
Colour



Read Write Inc. Set 5
Yellow Storybooks
Colour



Read Write Inc. Set 6
Blue Storybooks
Colour



Read Write Inc. Set 7
Grey Storybooks
Colour

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

NETFLIX

Netflix is a subscription-based streaming service that allows users to watch TV shows and movies on any internet-enabled device that supports the software, such as smart TVs, phones and tablets. The pandemic saw a surge in children consuming on-demand content as many families relaxed their screen-time rules. Netflix's diverse range of programming caters for all age groups – so it's important for parents to recognise the potential risks of children using the service and the measures to help their child enjoy a safe streaming experience.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Netflix produces and curates an extensive catalogue of content that can provide hours of entertainment. If they share the same user account as an adult, this can potentially lead to children accidentally viewing all manner of inappropriate content, including nudity, profanity and extreme violence. This can happen easily on shared accounts, as Netflix cannot establish who's watching.

BINGE-WATCHING

Netflix allows users to view shows and movies quickly and easily without adverts or interruptions, making excessive screen time a concern. Binge-watching has become more common during the pandemic, due to Netflix's regularly updated content and algorithms which recommend content very similar to what's previously been enjoyed. Marathon viewing sessions can lead to children staying up too late, affecting their mood and concentration the next day.

SCREEN ADDICTION

From TVs and phones to consoles and tablets, Netflix is available on almost any device with an internet connection – making it extremely difficult to manage children's screen time. The service is now adding games to its mobile app, tempting users to spend even more time on the platform. Screen addiction can distract children from important activities like schoolwork and socialising, and can impact their health by reducing their exercise and sleep.

HACKING ATTEMPTS

With millions of users worldwide, Netflix is often targeted by hackers who try to steal usernames and passwords to gain access to people's accounts. If successful, they can then steal payment details or try to sell stolen personal data on the dark web, providing other criminals with a profitable opportunity. Netflix also doesn't provide two-factor authentication, making the hackers' task that little bit easier.

CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

Netflix's Teleparty feature became popular during lockdown periods as it allows users from different households (friends and relatives, for example) to synchronise when they watch content. It requires an access link to be sent to the people you wish to invite: the link, however, can also be distributed to people you don't know. A text chat feature enables interaction with the other users in real-time: this represents a risk to children if a stranger gains access to the Teleparty.

Advice for Parents & Carers

KEEP ACCOUNTS SECURE

Netflix doesn't use two-factor authentication, so a strong password is vital. Your child's Netflix password should be unique (not one they've used elsewhere) and a minimum of eight characters with a mix of letters, numbers and symbols. Emphasise not to share their login details with anyone and remind them to always log out after using the app – so their account remains inaccessible, even if their device is lost or stolen.

CHECK MATURITY RATING

Netflix warns about content that includes violence, sex, profanity and nudity. These warnings form part of the show or movie's 'maturity rating'. Users can restrict age ratings to avoid children viewing age-inappropriate content. On their profile, open the Profile and Parental Control settings and choose the maturity level for the shows and movies you want to allow.



CREATE A KIDS' PROFILE

Setting up a Netflix Kids experience profile means your child can only access content which is suitable for children aged up to 12 years. All other content is automatically blocked. This rating can be further restricted via the child's profile settings. Setting up a Netflix Kids experience profile will help to prevent your child from viewing age-inappropriate content.



SET UP PROFILE PINS

Netflix account holders can lock profiles using a four-digit PIN. Doing this can prevent your child from accessing the wrong account and viewing content that isn't appropriate for their age. Try setting a PIN for each account on your Netflix app – ideally avoiding numbers that would be easily guessed, such as dates of birth. Remember not to share these PINs with anyone, including family.

SWITCH OFF AUTO-PLAY

When a show or movie concludes, Netflix's algorithms select content with similar themes that it thinks your child will enjoy next. This new content starts automatically after a 10-second countdown. Disabling this auto-play feature reduces the possibility of your child being shown something inappropriate and provides a natural break to help prevent them becoming too immersed in Netflix.

CHECK VIEWING HABITS

Netflix has tools which enable parents and carers to monitor what their child has been watching. Selecting 'Viewing Activity' in each profile's account settings displays a list of what content has been viewed (and when). This can reassure parents that their child is watching age-appropriate content and can open avenues for discussing your child's favourite shows and movies, and why they like them.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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