

THE HEFFERTON POST

July 6th 2026



What a VERY busy few weeks we have had! You may well know what your child's class has been busy doing through your class dojo pages but, do you know what the rest of the school has been up to? Below is just a small sample of the wonderful events that have taken place and exciting activities and opportunities the children have been accessing.

8th to 12th June



Yr5 and Yr6 enjoyed an exciting few days of outdoor activities as part of their residential camp.



Every Moment Matters



A wonderful coming together day was had by the whole community at this year's Perran-Ar-Worthal School Perranfest. With so many wonderful stalls and activities, sunshine, refreshments, music and lovely people, it is no surprise that well over £3000 was raised for the children. A huge thank you to our amazing FOPS team and to all those involved in making the day such an incredible success!

13th June



Every Moment Matters



YEAR 6 SCIENCE FAIR – This annual event has become a firm favourite for the entire school where the Yr6 create interactive displays to showcase their learning. During the day, each class from Reception up to Yr5 visited the Yr6 Science fair and learnt about rocks, electricity, how the heart works, mummification – the list goes on. The energy in the room was certainly ‘electric’ with so much to learn from each other. Well done to our brilliant Yr6 science teachers!

18th June



POP-UP ORCHESTRA! This event was attended by 4 of our talented KS2 orchestral musicians. This opportunity enables pupils from a range of schools to come together to create an orchestra for a morning lead by the talented staff from Cornwall Music Service. An exciting opportunity to meet other musicians and learn more about what is involved in being part of an orchestra.

19th June



Every Moment Matters

YEAR 6 BAKE-OFF COMPETITION – Now in its 4th year of running, this event has become a right of passage for our keen bakers in Yr6 with no less that 19 of our Yr6 pupils taking part this year. The best part for the staff is the judging, which involves a lot of cake eating! A huge thank you to Mrs Lightfoot for inspiring our young bakers to excel in one of their favourite Fab Friday activities.

22nd to 25th June and 1st July



Every Moment Matters

BISCUITS R US! Following a hugely successful publication of the first Yr6 Young Writer's Book last year, **Biscuits R Us!** was launched this week and is now available to purchase on Amazon. Paul Stewart, who has been running the Young Writer's Club for our Yr6 pupils, has been blown away by the high standard of the thoughtful and carefully crafted poems written by, no less than, 15 of our Yr6 pupils. Paul attended a school assembly to present each of our Young Writers with their published book. We are certain that there are some future authors in the making and look forward to more publications in years to come. Well done to all involved and a huge thank you to Paul Stewart for being so generous with his time and for inspiring our young writers.



PUFFINS VISIT THE MARITIME MUSEUM – A wonderful day was spent at the Maritime Museum listening to traditional Cornish stories about the sea, creating boats and testing their design on the water.



CORNHILL FARMERS FOR THE DAY! Year1 and Year2 spent the day at Cornwall Hill Farm where they enjoyed experiencing what life might be like to work on a farm. From chicken herding to pig feeding and pond dipping – there was plenty to keep these trainee farmers busy. Thank you to the amazing Cornhill Farmers for a wonderfully memorable day.

29th June and 1st July



Year 3 got to grips with canoeing and kayaking – great resilience and stamina shown by all

30th June



Every Moment Matters



2nd July

TECH GIRLS AWAY DAY –

Following several weeks of after school Tech Girls workshops (part of the government drive to encourage more women in to careers with science and technology, Mrs Royle took our group of Tech Girls to an experience day to end their series of online training on a huge high. A brilliant day was had by all and a huge thank you to Mrs Royle for her time.

SURF AND SLEEP – Our Yr4 pupils returned from the surf day filled with excitement and so much to talk about their brilliant experience day. A huge thank you to all the staff involved in making sure the day ran smoothly and all children were looked after through the day, the evening, the night and the morning! Thank you also to Mrs Lightfoot who made the most scrumptious tea – clean plates all round!



2nd and 3rd July



Every Moment Matters



TEAM POINT CERTIFICATE WINNERS 17th June 2026

BRONZE CERTIFICATE – 50 TEAM POINTS

Year 6: Fleur

SILVER CERTIFICATE – 100 TEAM POINTS

Year 4: Aditi

Year 5: Hugo T and Jason

GOLD CERTIFICATE – 150 TEAM POINTS

Year 2: Tiber and Artie

Year 3: Jovie

Year 5: Charlie

MEDAL – 200 TEAM POINTS

Reception: Otilie and Phoebe

Year 1: Logan

Year 2: Gracie-May, Emelia, Carn and Ruben

Year 3: Birdie

Year 4: Arto and Logan

Year 5: Ned and Sienna

BADGE – 250 TEAM POINTS

Year 1: Zoe

Year 3: Suri

Year 5: Maddox, Daniel and Mhoirbheinn

HEADTEACHER CERTIFICATE AWARD – 300 TEAM POINTS

Year 1: Theo

Year 4: Eden

TEAM POINT CERTIFICATE WINNERS 10th June 2026

SILVER CERTIFICATE – 100 TEAM POINTS

Year 5: Hugo A and Bertie

GOLD CERTIFICATE – 150 TEAM POINTS

Year 3: Meyer

Year 5: Maria, Tamsyn and Teddy

MEDAL – 200 TEAM POINTS

Year 1: Rosie and Jonathan

Year 3: Sam and Freya

Year 4: Elodie, Brynley and Luca R

Year 5: Lenny

BADGE – 250 TEAM POINTS

Year 1: Austin and Joshua

Year 3: Betsy

Year 4: Poppy and Senara

Year 5: Daphne, Henry, Evelyn, Thora, Eva and Genevieve

HEADTEACHER CERTIFICATE AWARD – 300 TEAM POINTS

Year 1: Felix

Year 4: Hetty

Year 5: Anoushka





TEAM POINT CERTIFICATE WINNERS 24th June 2026

GOLD CERTIFICATE – 150 TEAM POINTS

Year 1: Rocky

Year 4: Joseph and Harrison

MEDAL – 200 TEAM POINTS

Reception: Maverick, Luna M, Loretta, Remi, Hugh, Otilie M, Luna-Blue, Freddie,

Riva-Pearl, Elowen M, Blaze, Harvey, Godwin, Woody, Emily, Elowen A

Year 1: Harvey, Ryan, Somhairle and Capucine

Year 2: Isabelle and Noah

Year 3: Barnaby, Lettie and Tilly

Year 4: Allana and Micky

Year 5: Flynn

BADGE – 250 TEAM POINTS

Year 1: Elowen, Benji, Otto and Elijah

Year 2: Jago

Year 3: Willow

Year 4: Robyn

HEADTEACHER CERTIFICATE AWARD – 300 TEAM POINTS

Year 1: Rowan and Lily

Year 3: Elspeth and Agnes

TEAM POINT CERTIFICATE WINNERS 1st July 2026

SILVER CERTIFICATE – 100 TEAM POINTS

Year 6: Aubrey

GOLD CERTIFICATE – 150 TEAM POINTS

Year 4: Tristan and Aditi

MEDAL – 200 TEAM POINTS

Year 1: Jasper

BADGE – 250 TEAM POINTS

Year 1: Rosie, Finn and Daisy

Year 2: James

Year 4: Sophie and Henry

HEADTEACHER CERTIFICATE AWARD – 300 TEAM POINTS

Year 1: Austin

Year 3: Rohan

Year 4: Bella, Luca W and Emmy



Citizen / Learner of the Week – w/c 8th June 2026

Puffins

Learner – Godwin (For his amazing Maths knowledge! Godwin was able to confidently count in %s when we were learning about 'grouping' this week)

Citizen – Oillie M (For being a kind and thoughtful Puffin. Oillie has helped new class members settle into school, ensuring they always have a friend to play with)

Wagtails

Learner – Austin (For showing a great understanding of money in Maths)

Citizen – Otto (For being a good friend to others in the class)

Robins

Learner – James (For writing an incredible story and presenting it with such care and beautiful handwriting)

Citizen – Luna (For being an amazing friend, always polite, kind and respectful to others as well as the adults in school)

Starlings

Learner – Jovie (For working really hard on her Roman Numerals this week)

Citizen – Charlotte and Agnes (For their great organisation skills)

Skylarks

Learner – Joe (For coming back to school with brilliant enthusiasm after a whole week off)

Citizen – Robyn (For always looking out for others)

Kingfishers

- Learner –

- Citizen –

Swifts

Learner – Aaradhya (For enjoying all activities on camp)

Citizen – Indie (For supporting a classmate to overcome a fear of heights)

Citizen / Learner of the Week – w/c 15th June 2026

Puffins

Learner – Remi (For being a fantastic artist. Remi has created wonderfully detailed drawings and paintings by Cornish artists)

Citizen – Eera (For working collaboratively with the other Puffins, especially when making the submarine in the 'Under the Sea' role play area)

Wagtails

Learner – The Whole Class (For amazing effort and resilience during the Phonics Screening Check)

Citizen – Jonathan (For showing respectful listening in class and during assembly)

Robins

Learner – Hugo (For amazing effort during all his learning this week)

Citizen – Alfie (For working hard to be ready, respectful and safe in all his learning this week)

Starlings

Learner – Harry (For his continued effort with reading)

Citizen – Suri (For being helpful to her fellow classmates)

Skylarks

Learner – Harrison (For his listening and focus this week in lessons)

Citizen – Aditi (For her mature approach to problem solving and learning)

Kingfishers

Learner – Hugo A (For determination in tackling the high ropes at camp)

Citizen – The Whole Class (For an amazing camp at Porthpean)

Swifts

Learner – Fleur and Harriet (For a detailed and engaging Science Fair stall)

Citizen – Finn (For his leadership as play leader with other children in school)

Citizen / Learner of the Week – w/c 29th June 2026

Puffins

Learner – Freddie (For his listening skills, enthusiasm and effort in PE this week)

Citizen – Elowen M (For always being willing to help others when they are finding something tricky)

Wagtails

Learner – The Whole Class (For showing curiosity and enthusiasm on our trip to Cornhill Farm)

Citizen – Finn (For showing respect to adults in the classroom)

Robins

Learner – Joshua (For working incredibly hard to understand and create his block graph in Maths this week)

Citizen – The Whole Class (For being ready, respectful and safe on our visit to Cornhill Farm, demonstrating excellent personal qualities throughout the trip).

Starlings

Learner – Jack (For learning to kayak on our class trip and never giving up)

Citizen – Seren (For her amazing positive attitude on our class trip on Tuesday. Mrs Mitchell particularly enjoyed her singing!)

Skylarks

Learners and Citizens – The Whole Class (Not only did they all demonstrate a fantastic attitude to trying new (and difficult!) things, but the way in which they supported one another on Surf and Sleep was absolutely beautiful. The whole class genuinely blew me away with their care and thought for one another).

Kingfishers

Learner – Olivia (For being brave to demonstrate her drumming skills and perform in front of the entire Kingfisher class)

Citizen – Henry and Teddy (For showing real kindness to a younger child this week and playing with and looking after them during breaktimes)

Swifts

Learner – The Whole Class (For consistent dedication to improving the end of year play with Mrs Waddington)

Citizen – Violet (For offering to help Viv with the play props)

Please see below for term dates and INSET days for the next two academic years. We ask you to not take holiday during term time. Thank you for respecting this.

Information Classification: PUBLIC

Cornwall Council

2026/27 School Term Dates for Community and Voluntary-Controlled Schools



September 2026							October 2026							November 2026						
Mon		7	14	21	28		Mon		5	12	19	26		Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue	1	8	15	22	29		Tue		6	13	20	27		Tue	3	10	17	24		
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December 2026							January 2027							February 2027						
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School holidays

Bank holidays

Christmas Day	25 December 2026
Boxing Day	28 December 2026
New Years Day	01 January 2027
Good Friday	26 March 2027
Easter Monday	29 March 2027
May Bank Holiday	03 May 2027
Spring Bank Holiday	31 May 2027
Summer Bank Holiday	30 August 2027

AUTUMN TERM (72 days)

3 September - 18 December 2026
(HALF TERM 26 - 30 October 2026)

SPRING TERM (54 days)

4 January - 25 March 2027
(HALF TERM 15 - 19 February 2027)

SUMMER TERM (69 days)

12 April - 23 July 2027
(HALF TERM 31 May - 4 June 2027)

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Our five INSET Days: 3rd Sept 2026; 28th May 2027; 7th June 2027; 22nd and 23rd July 2027

Cornwall Council

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AUTUMN TERM (75 days)

2 September - 22 December 2027
(HALF TERM 25 - 29 October 2027)

SPRING TERM (57 days)

6 January - 31 March 2028
(HALF TERM 14 - 18 February 2028)

SUMMER TERM (63 days)

18 April - 21 July 2028
(HALF TERM 29 May - 2 June 2028)

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A REMINDER REGARDING TERM TIME HOLIDAYS:

WARNING LETTER! Local Authority Schools have been instructed to send this warning letter to parents who are taking their child out of school during term time for unauthorised absences. Please could we ask you to read this carefully to fully appreciate the implications of unauthorised absences. As a school we have no choice but to follow this procedure and we thank you in advance for your support with this.

Dear Parent/Carer

Here at Perran-ar-Worthal School we recognise that there are occasions when it is appropriate to authorise an absence, such as when a pupil is genuinely too ill to attend school.

However, the Government does not support parents taking children out of school unless the school agrees this is appropriate under 'exceptional circumstances'. Any request for leave should be made in writing to the Headteacher using the school's 'Leave of Absence Exceptional Circumstances' request form.

If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £80 if paid within 21 days or £160 if paid after this but within 28 days.

If your child is further absent from school without authorisation within any 3-year period, you will be committing a further offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices for a second offence are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £160, payable within 28 days.

Importantly, fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action such as a parenting order or prosecution will be considered.

Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may also result in legal action. If you are prosecuted and attend court because your child has not been attending school, you could get a fine of up to £2,500. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.

Absence not authorised by the school may also result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Again, Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.

Money raised from fines is only used by the local authority to cover the costs of administering the system, and to fund attendance support. Any extra money is returned to the government.

'Parent' as set out in Section 576 of the Education Act 1996, defines parent to include: natural parents, whether they are married or not; any person or body who has parental responsibility for a child (as defined by the Children Act 1989) and; any person who, although not a natural parent, has care of a child. Having care of a child means a person with whom a child lives and who looks after a child, irrespective of what their relationship is with said child.

You are welcome to contact the school to discuss any concerns you may have regarding this or if you feel you would like advice or support in helping your child attend more regularly. Perran-ar-Worthal School is committed to enabling every child to reach their full potential and aims to work with parents to ensure this can be achieved.

Yours sincerely

Rachel Heffer

Diary Dates



6th July: Yr6 Transition Day at Penryn College

8th July: Yr6 Bake-Off Final

10th July: Yr3 Boomwhackers Music Performance for Parents

WB 13th July: Meet the Teacher Meetings for Parents

13th July: Moving Up Day for all pupils (morning only)

14th July: Yr6 Dress Rehearsal for End of Year Production

14th July: Yr6 Matinee Performance at 1.30pm (in the school hall)

14th July: Yr6 Evening Performance at 5.30pm (in the school hall)

17th July: Yr2 On-Site Camping Day

20th July: Yr6 Buddy Day with Reception Class

21st July: Yr6 Leavers' Assembly at 9.15am and Last Day of Term for all pupils

22nd and 23rd July: INSET Days (school closed to all pupils)

3rd Sept 2026: INSET Day (school closed to all pupils)

4th Sept 2027: First Day of Autumn Term

Please note that there will be further dates added as the year progresses. If any dates need changing due to unforeseen circumstances, then we will give you as much notice as possible. We will keep you informed of any changes and additions on our weekly newsletter and via dojo.