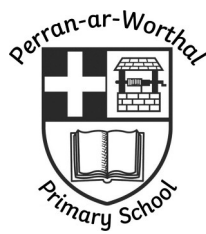


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VERY MOMENT MATTERS!



What a start to the Spring Term!

We have been so incredibly impressed with the resilience of the children and their calm approach to the crazy start of term we had last week...

On Monday, we returned to school with no heating in three of our classes and mobile heaters were brought in to try and help raise the temperature in the classrooms. The children took it all in their stride.

On Tuesday, the kitchen cookers decided to stop working and the children had to reorder their school lunch from a list of sandwich options and did so with no fuss or worry.

On Thursday, you will no doubt remember, we had to send the children home early to avoid being caught in storm Goretti—the children were calm and coped so well with this change to the school day. Thank you for your support with this.

On Friday, the children were met with another change with the school day starting at 11am to allow for safer and delayed travel. With many families having no electricity, we were concerned that the children would find the week too overwhelming but instead they wanted to tell us all about the board games they played with their families by candle light.

What a week! What an experience! What AMAZING resilience! Thank you all for your patience and understanding, but most of all, we are so glad you are all safe!

We understand that there are still some families without electricity. If this is affecting you and we can help in anyway, please do get in touch—even if it is to fill a flask with hot water—please do let us know.

Staff Update!

You may be aware that Miss Deakin has reduced her time in the office by finishing earlier on a Friday and Mrs Wallis has been covering this time. However, Mrs Wallis has now started a new training course which will be keeping her extremely busy on Fridays and as such we would like to introduce you to Mrs Hannah Edyvean who will be covering in the office on a Friday from 11.30am. Mrs Edyvean comes with over 15 years experience as a School Office Administrator and, although she will be new to our school community, we know she will be made to feel very welcome, so please do come and say hello!



TEAM POINT CERTIFICATE WINNERS 8th January 2026

BRONZE CERTIFICATE – 50 TEAM POINTS

Year 2: Arthur Co and Renn

Year 3: George and Stevie

Year 6: Dylan

SILVER CERTIFICATE – 100 TEAM POINTS

Year 1: Elowen and Daisy

Year 2: Margot, James, Noah and Emelia

Year 4: Sophie

Year 5: Maddox, Daphne and Evelyn

GOLD CERTIFICATE – 150 TEAM POINTS

Year 3: Charlotte

Citizen / Learner of the Week – w/c 5th January 2026

Puffins

Learner – Elowen M (For her growing confidence in Maths She knows all her number bonds to 5!)

Citizen – Hugh (For being a really helpful member of Puffins at tidy up time).

Wagtails

Learner – Jasper (For showing great focus in phonics)

Citizen – Capucine (For always being a kind and considerate member of Wagtails)

Robins

Learner – Carn (For amazing Maths this week, and blowing us away with how well he progressed)

Arthur Co (For working hard and trying his best in all his learning this week)

Citizen – Gracie-May (For making our new class member feel very welcome)

Starlings

Learner – Suri (For some amazingly descriptive story writing)

Citizen – Dougie (For returning to school with such a positive attitude)

Skylarks

Learner – Joey (For showing resilience and perseverance with his learning this week)

Citizen – Senara (For showing kindness to others and always offering to support others with their learning).

Kingfishers

Learner – Raffy (For aiming high in his independent learning)

Citizen – Mhoirbheinn (For always being respectful and ready to learn)

Swifts

Learner – Fleur (For her application of learning about decimals in Maths this week)

Citizen – Arthur (For being ready to learn as soon as he came back after the Christmas break)



Tuesday, 13th January: **PAW School Building Birthday (Opened in 1879)**

WB 12th January and WB 19th January: **Yr2 swimming lessons**

Thursday, 15th January: **Pizza the Action themed school lunch (don't forget to book)**

Monday, 19th January: **Reception Vision Screening**

Thursday, 22nd January: **Youth Speaks Competition**

Friday, 30th January: **Starlings Bake Sale**

Monday, 2nd February: **Reception and Yr6 height and weight checks**

Friday, 6th February: **Spring Disco**

WB 9th February: **Children's mental health week theme 'This is My Place'**

Tuesday, 10th February: **Safer Internet Day**

WB 16th February: **HALF TERM WEEK**

24th February, 3rd and 10th March: **EYFS Balanceability lessons with DT sports**

Friday, 27th February: **Robins Bake Sale**

Monday, 2nd March: **National Offer Day for Secondary School Places**

Thursday, 5th March: **World Book Day/St Piran's Day (Come dressed as your favourite book character or character from a Cornish Tale). Cornish themed school lunch (don't forget to book)**

WB 9th March: **Cornwall Music Festival for those taking part**

Thursday, 12th March: **Lego League Final**

WB 16th and 23rd March: **Spring Term Progress Review Meetings**

WB 16th March: **Scholastic Book Fair**

19th March: **Non-Uniform Day for the Spring Concert Raffle**

17th, 24th and 31st March: **Yr2 Balanceability/Learn2Ride lessons with DT sports**

12th, 13th, 19th, 20th, 26th and 27th March: **Yr4 Learn2Ride lessons with DT sports**

Thursday, 26th March: **KS1 Easter Bonnet Parade, Spring Competition and Yr3, Yr4 and Yr5 Spring Show including the KS2 choir (more details to follow)**

Dates to be confirmed: **Yr6 Bikeability will take place after SATS**

Tuesday, 31st March: **Songfest for Yr6 singers at Hall for Cornwall**

Thursday, 2nd April: **Last day of term**

Friday, 3rd to Monday to Friday, 17th April 7th April: **EASTER BREAK**

Monday, 20th April: **First day of Summer Term**

WB 20th and 27th April: **Yr3 Swimming lessons**

Cornwall Council

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



Together for Families

September 2026						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24		
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

October 2026						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tue		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	
Sat	3	10	17	24	31	
Sun	4	11	18	25		

November 2026						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue		3	10	17	24	
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thurs		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

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)

December 2026						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24	31	
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

January 2027						
Mon		4	11	18	25	
Tue		5	12	19	26	
Wed		6	13	20	27	
Thurs		7	14	21	28	
Fri	1	8	15	22	29	
Sat	2	9	16	23	30	
Sun	3	10	17	24	31	

February 2027						
Mon		1	8	15	22	
Tue		2	9	16	23	
Wed		3	10	17	24	
Thurs		4	11	18	25	
Fri		5	12	19	26	
Sat		6	13	20	27	
Sun		7	14	21	28	

March 2027						
Mon	1	8	15	22	29	
Tue	2	9	16	23	30	
Wed	3	10	17	24	31	
Thurs	4	11	18	25		
Fri	5	12	19	26		
Sat	6	13	20	27		
Sun	7	14	21	28		

April 2027						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tue		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	
Sat	3	10	17	24		
Sun	4	11	18	25		

May 2027						
Mon		3	10	17	24	31
Tue		4	11	18	25	
Wed		5	12	19	26	
Thurs		6	13	20	27	
Fri		7	14	21	28	
Sat	1	8	15	22	29	
Sun	2	9	16	23	30	

June 2027						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24		
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

July 2027						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tue		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	
Sat	3	10	17	24	31	
Sun	4	11	18	25		

August 2027						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue		3	10	17	24	31
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thurs		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

195 days are included on the school calendar. Schools will be open to pupils for 190 days. The five additional days are allotted for In-Service Training (INSET). Schools allocate their own INSET days.

Academy, trust and voluntary-aided schools set their own term dates and INSET days.

2026 to 2027 Term Dates:

We are providing term time dates as far in advance as possible to give families time to plan holidays out of term time. Please take note of these dates to avoid taking holiday during term time, as this cannot be authorised and is likely to incur a fine.

INSET DAYS:

Thursday, 3rd September 2026

Friday, 28th May 2027

Monday, 7th June 2027

Thursday, 22nd July 2027

Friday, 23rd July 2027



January 2026 Timetable

All sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long

£24 each or FREE with School Membership

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Recordings available for 48 hours (excluding Free Talk)

Autism - Improving Communication	5 Jan 10am
Improving Family Communication	5 Jan 7pm
Supporting A Child with ADHD	6 Jan 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	6 Jan 7pm
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	12 Jan 10am
Understanding Anger	12 Jan 7pm
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	13 Jan 10am
Facing Defiance	13 Jan 7pm
Cannabis and Ketamine Awareness	19 Jan 10am
Anxiety Explained	19 Jan 7pm
Introduction to OCD	20 Jan 10am
What Is ACT	20 Jan 7pm
FREE Responding to Angry Behaviour	22 Jan 7-8pm
Raising Self-Esteem	26 Jan 10am
Decreasing Depression	26 Jan 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	27 Jan 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	27 Jan 7pm