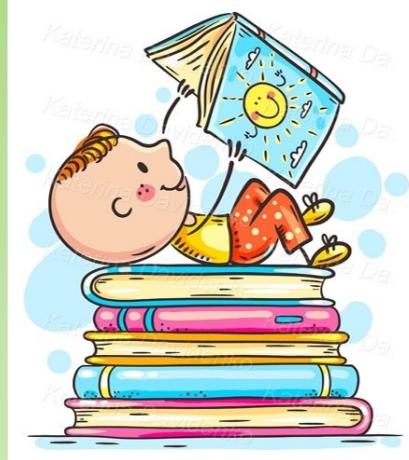


“Reading is a window on the world beyond our own. It shows us possibilities and gives us the tools to make them realities. Reading is the greatest gift we can give our children. And ourselves.”

Val McDermid, award-winning author and National Year of Reading ambassador

A National Push to get Every Child Reading!



In 2026, a national spotlight is being put on reading and on the simplest way to help children enjoy it: connecting it to what they already love. From dinosaurs to dancing, from comics to cooking, passions make stories feel natural and fun.

For families, the National Year of Reading also means more support, more ideas and more opportunities to weave reading into busy routines, whatever age your child is. Please click on the orange links below to find out more about how you and your family can get involved in this exciting year of reading. On the following few pages you will see our own Love of Reading Pathway for each class in our school. If you want to know more about the books we promote and share with the children in school, then please visit <https://perran-ar-worthal.eschools.co.uk/web/> which will take you to the page we have created on our school website.



<https://goallin.org.uk/>



National Year of
Reading 2026

<https://goallin.org.uk/get-involved/families/>

<https://wordsforlife.org.uk/activities/>

<https://wordsforlife.org.uk/parent-support/>

READING PATHWAY

Click on the front cover of any book to find out more...



In EYFS, we plan to deliver a balanced literacy curriculum that incorporates a carefully selected range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry texts from diverse cultures. These texts are closely aligned with our half-termly topics and provide the foundation for our literacy teaching. In line with the principles outlined in 'Development Matters', we maintain flexibility in our planning to support the 'unique child' principle. While the selected texts serve as our starting point, we actively follow children's interests and respond to their individual needs. When introducing each new topic, we encourage families to share related books from home, enriching our curriculum and strengthening the home-school partnership in supporting children's literacy development.



Perran-ar-Worthal Book Club

We are dedicated to inspire and promote a love for reading.

When?

Book Club will be on a Monday and Friday morning.

Why?

Making sure that children become engaged with reading is one of the most important ways to make a difference to their life chances.

How?

We aim to inspire and promote reading through the following core strategies in our Book Club:

1

Teachers can read selected books aloud.
In KS2, these texts can also link to reading comprehension sessions.

2

Children engage in informal 'book talk'. This includes discussing recommendations with peers and teachers.

4

Teachers provide dedicated time to read.

3

Teachers encourage library use and ensure that a range of texts are selected.

5

Teachers reward the habit of reading through the regular monitoring of Reading Records.
Teachers recognise that motivation is driven by curiosity, engagement and familiarity.



TEAM POINT CERTIFICATE WINNERS 22nd January 2026



BRONZE CERTIFICATE – 50 TEAM POINTS

Reception: Oillie M and Scarlett

Year 5: Maria

Year 6: Aaradhy, Ula and Jocelyn

SILVER CERTIFICATE – 100 TEAM POINTS

Reception: Freddie, Harvey and Emily

Year 1: Jonathan

Year 2: Ember and Alfie

Year 3: Tilly

Year 4: Elodie, Arto, Thomas, Lara, Brynley and Albie

Year 5: Mhoirbheinn

TEAM POINT CERTIFICATE WINNERS 29th January 2026

BRONZE CERTIFICATE – 50 TEAM POINTS

Year 6: Loic, Sienna, Caspar and Annie

SILVER CERTIFICATE – 100 TEAM POINTS

Year 1: Somhairle and Alice

Year 2: Rafe, Gracie-May and Joshua

Year 3: Jessica, Sam, Isaac, Nancy, Florence, Freya and Dottie

Year 4: Kaiser, Micky, Henry and Allana

Year 6: Amelia, Agnes and Calla

GOLD CERTIFICATE – 150 TEAM POINTS

Year 3: Archie and Isla

Year 4: Bella, Luca W and Emmy

Year 5: Lottie and Henry



Citizen / Learner of the Week – w/c 19th January 2026

Puffins

Learner – Luna P (For some amazing counting this week. Luna counted 36 objects correctly! Reception children are expected to be able to count verbally up to 20 – AMAZING!)

Citizen – Ottolie B (For being ‘Ready, Respectful and Safe’. Ottolie has been an excellent role model to her peers, showing she is always ready to learn)

Wagtails

Learner – Otto (For making helpful suggestions about how we could achieve our class goal of making a jam sandwich)

Citizen – Fearne (For showing initiative and responsibility by choosing to wash up the art materials for the whole class on Thursday)

Robins

Learner – The Whole Class! (For amazing progress during swimming lessons over the last 2 weeks)

Citizen – Jack H (For always showing kindness to others if they are hurt or upset)

Starlings

Learner – The Whole Class (For amazingly descriptive writing in English)

Citizen – Agnes (For always being Ready, Respectful and Safe)

Skylarks

Learner – Allana (For demonstrating incredible listening, understand and writing in our History lesson about the Religious beliefs in the Shang Dynasty)

Citizen – Reggie (For his attitude and initiative in the classroom. He problem-solves independently and gets on!)

Kingfishers

Learner – Raffy (For incredible presentation and showing care in his Maths book)

Citizen – Lenny (For being extremely helpful to Mr Trudgeon every morning)

Swifts

Learner – Sophie (For her effort and engagement in all lessons this week)

Citizen – Felix (For baking the whole group biscuits to enjoy in his after school club)

Citizen / Learner of the Week – w/c 26th January 2026

Puffins

Learner – Maverick (For growing in confidence with his writing. Maverick wrote some wonderful sentences independently this week)

Citizen – Riva (For always being a kind, caring and considerate member of Puffins class. Riva is always willing to let others join in with her play)

Wagtails

Learner – Alice (For asking interesting and insightful questions during our Cats Protection visit this week)

Citizen – Rosie (For really trying hard with her listening skills this week and shining in phonics!)

Robins

Learner – Ember (For fantastic diary writing in English this week, working hard to use ambitious vocabulary and excellent sentence structure)

Citizen – Tiber (For always being Ready, Respectful and Safe in everything he does and everywhere he goes, setting an amazing example to others)

Starlings

Learner – Florence (For producing some great writing in her energiser this week)

Citizen – Stevie (For putting 100% effort into her learning)

Skylarks

Learner – Bella (For demonstrating resilience consistently in her learning)

Citizen – Emmy (For looking out for others and working well in teamwork)

Kingfishers

Learner – Niamh (For aiming high and being successful with multiplication in Maths)

Citizen – Ned (For coming to school with a positive attitude to learning and his day)

Swifts

Learner – Annie (For dedication and application in Maths)

Citizen – Jocelyn (For always being Ready, Respectful and Safe in everything she does and everywhere she goes, setting an amazing example to others)



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

Friday, 6th February: Spring Disco (POSTPONED—NEW DATE COMING SOON)

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)

Friday, 7th March: Casino Night for the Grown-Ups! (more details to follow soon)

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

Friday, 20th March: Funky Thing Disco (EYFS/KS1 5.30pm to 6.15pm; KS2 6.45pm to 7.45pm)

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 WB 27th April: Yr3 Swimming lessons

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.

FOPS WORLD BOOK DAY VIRTUAL BALLOON RACE!

Perran-ar-Worthal CP School are set to embark on a thrilling virtual balloon race inspired by some of the greatest explorers - raising funds for new books for our school library!

How to Join the Fun:

- 1. Buy a Balloon:** Visit www.balloonrace.net/ppsز
- Each balloon costs £2
- 2. Spread the Word:** Tell your family and friends so they can join in the fun - simply share the link above.
- 3. Last chance:** Balloons must be purchased by ***Tuesday, 24th February at 9am!***
- 4. Launch Day:** Get ready to launch your balloon during assembly on **Thursday, 26th February at 9am!**
- 5. Race Finish:** Celebrate the end of the race on World Book Day, **Thursday, 5th March at 9am!**

Win Amazing Prizes!

The two fastest balloons will win fantastic prizes!

Not only is this a fun and exciting way to support our school, but it's also environmentally friendly!

(No real balloons will be released into the sky)

Bag2School is a FREE,
EASY and
ECO-FRIENDLY
scheme that helps
schools raise funds
through TEXTILE
RECYCLING

Unwanted
clothes?
Bags?
Shoes?
Accessories?

BUNG
'EM IN THE
BAG!

We're collecting with

BAG 2 SCHOOL

Thursday 26th
February



HOW DOES IT WORK?

It's easy! Simply fill the provided bag (you can add further bin bags) with your unwanted items and drop off to the shelter on drop-off day! (not before)

*Please note, NO bedding, school uniform, branded workwear or textile offcuts

Cornwall Council

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

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		
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Sun	8	15	22	29		

December 2026						
Mon	7	14	21	28		
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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	26	
Wed	3	10	17	24	27	
Thurs	4	11	18	25		
Fri	5	12	19	26		
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March 2027						
Mon	1	8	15	22	29	
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Wed	3	10	17	24	31	
Thurs	4	11	18	25		
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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	
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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		
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June 2027						
Mon	7	14	21	28		
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Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24		
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Sun	6	13	20	27		

July 2027						
Mon	5	12	19	26		
Tue	6	13	20	27		
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Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	
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August 2027						
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	8	15	22	29		



Together
for Families

School holidays

Bank holidays

25 December 2026

28 December 2026

01 January 2027

26 March 2027

29 March 2027

03 May 2027

31 May 2027

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)

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

NEAR MISS! We have had a report of a recent near miss accident where a child passing the entrance to Chyvogue Lane was nearly hit by a car coming out of this entrance. Please take care as a driver when coming in and out of Chyvogue Lane and as a pedestrian passing the entrance to this road. Thank you.