



## **Fowey Primary School**

### **Newsletter**

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2025**

#### **Message from Mrs Walker**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for all your efforts with getting your children, ready to learn and on time. There has been such a shift with this, and I am so grateful for your efforts.

Today is World Mental Health Day. We have discussed this in school at an age-appropriate level. Please talk openly with your children, it is such an important issue.

Well done to the football and netball teams for their first fixtures of the year. What a fantastic start to the netball and football season! Every child represented the school brilliantly and showed respect to their team and the other teams. We are proud to say that

Football 3/4 Won 3-0

Football 5/6 Won 1-0

Netball team Won 8-3

A huge well done to everyone involved.



This academic year has seen a change to platforms in which we communicate. I am aware that this has caused some confusion. I will communicate after half term with clearer details on what is currently used with specific details to help the process.

Parents Evening: Please be aware that there will be no clubs in the final week due to Parents Evening. If you would like to meet with myself, please go through Mrs Spry and this will be arranged for November.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Walker  
Headteacher

### **IMPORTANT REMINDER**

We hope this message finds you well. We would like to kindly remind you of the importance of ensuring your child arrives at school promptly each morning. Punctuality is essential in minimizing lost learning time and helps your child start their day prepared and ready to engage with their lessons. As you will be aware, the gates are open between 8.35am and 8.45am. We strongly encourage you to arrive during this time to allow your child to access the maximum amount of learning time.

Arriving on time allows students to settle in, participate fully in morning activities, and begin their learning without disruption. We appreciate your cooperation in supporting our efforts to provide a consistent and effective learning environment for all pupils.

Thank you for your continued support.

### Early Adopter Breakfast Club

We are delighted to announce that we can now offer a free breakfast of toast and jam to children from 8am – 8.30am. Please book on ParentPay by midnight the night before. We will not be accepting children before 8am unless they are booked from 7.30am.

Thank you for all your continued support.

### **Car Park**

**Please DO NOT park in the school car park this is due to safeguarding reasons.**

### **IMPORTANT - School Lunches**

We are seeing a large number of children not booked in for school dinners on a regular basis. We do send a reminder each week where possible to help with this. If your child is not booked in from next week, they will only have either Tomato Pasta or school packed lunch for that week. We will NOT be taking any other orders. Lunches can be booked in advance if this makes it easier.



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## **IMPORTANT**

### **Pupil Premium**

Year 2 Parent/Carers, Your child will be moving into Year 3 in September and they will no longer receive free school meals. Please check below if you would be entitled to pupil premium.

If you are in receipt of –

- Universal Credit with net (take home) income not exceeding £7400 (£616.76 per month)
- Income Support
- Income based Job Seeker's Allowance
- Income related Employment & Support Allowance
- Support under part 6 of immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit provided you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190, as assessed by HMRC
- Working Tax Credit run on-paid 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

You can apply for Pupil Premium status; this means the school will receive additional funding to support your child.

This funding has a big impact on helping to support your child during their time at Fowey Primary School. It can also help with costs of trips and residentials, school uniform and additional support in class (if needed).



### **October**

- **14<sup>th</sup> School Photo's**
- **15<sup>th</sup> Spooky Disco 5-6pm**
- **13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> Parents Evening EYFS, Year 3-6**
- **14<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> Parents Evening Year 1/2**
- **20<sup>th</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> November Half Term (Inset Day 17<sup>th</sup> Oct)**

## **November**

- **4<sup>th</sup> Nasal Flu Vaccinations – All years (please see Dojo for info sent out)**
- **7<sup>th</sup> Year 1 Hearing Checks**
- **7<sup>th</sup> Year 5 Bake Sale**
- **18<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> Year 6 Bikeability (more info to follow after half term)**
- **28<sup>th</sup> Christmas Decorating Day**
- **29<sup>th</sup> Christmas Corridor**

## **December**

- **10<sup>th</sup> Christmas Dinner Day, Christmas Jumpers Gift Room**
- **11<sup>th</sup> Whole School Trip to Hall for Cornwall**  
**We have been very fortunate to have been funded for the majority of this event.**
- **17<sup>th</sup> Nativity at the church (more info to follow)**

## **January**

- **23<sup>rd</sup> Year 3 & 4 Bake Sale**

## **February**

- **13<sup>th</sup> Year 1 and 2 Bake Sale**

## **March**

- **5<sup>th</sup> World Book Day**
- **20<sup>th</sup> EYFS Bake Sale**
- **27<sup>th</sup> Easter Extravaganza**

## **July**

- **16<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Disco**

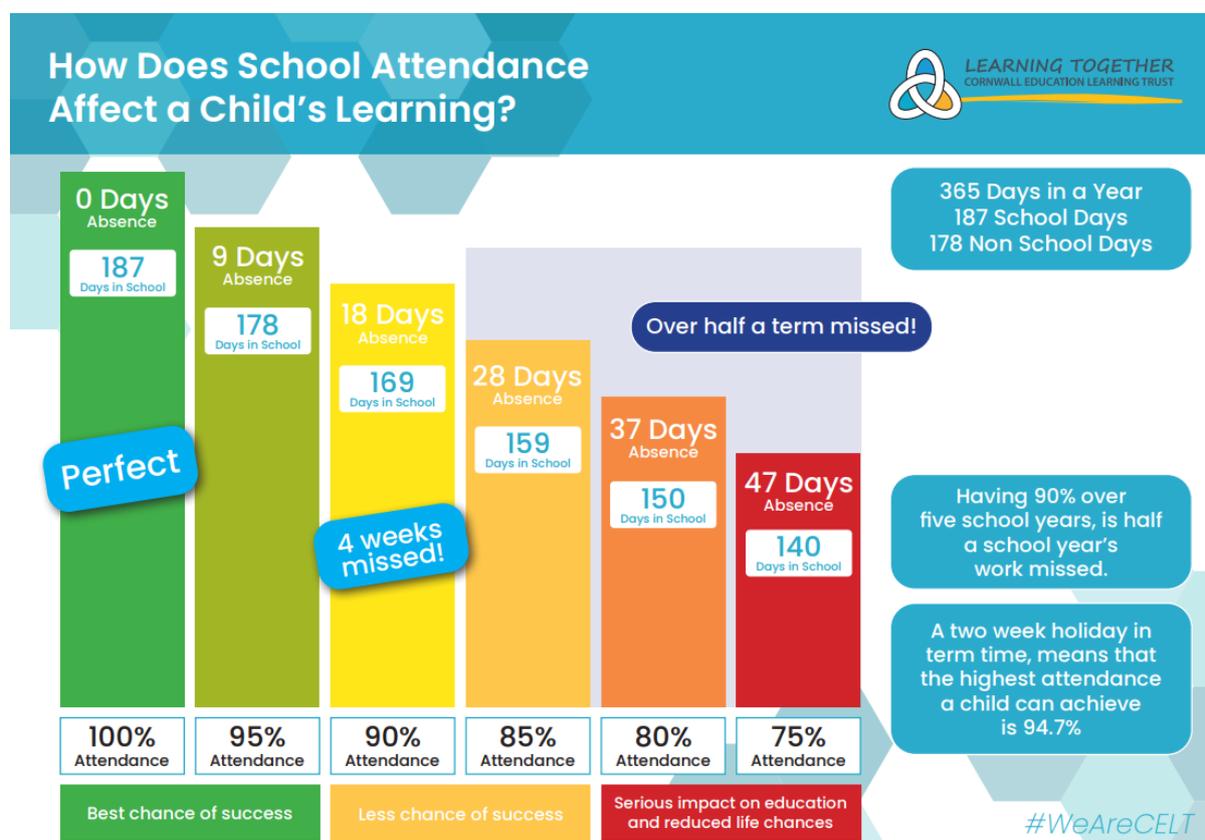
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## Attendance – IMPORTANT INFORMATION PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

### EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCE LEAVE REQUEST NOTICE TO PARENTS /CARERS

The law does not grant parents an automatic right to take their child out of school during term time. Any absence from school will disrupt your child's learning. You may consider that a holiday will be educational, but your child will miss out on the teaching that their classmates will receive during your holiday. Attendance is vital to academic success and lost education poses a potential risk of underachievement. This is something we all have a responsibility to avoid.

The Department for Education no longer allows Headteachers to grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances. If you consider that your request for absence is exceptional you will need to complete a form. A response will be sent to you as soon as possible. If leave is not authorised and you nevertheless withdraw your child from school, the absence will be recorded as unauthorised absence.

**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. All requests must be completed on this form; letters will not be accepted. This form should be returned to the Attendance Office at least 15 school days before the start of the absence. I hope you will support our efforts in raising attendance and attainment at Fowey Primary School.

## Healthy Packed Lunches

As part of our personal development curriculum, we are encouraging our children to eat healthy this includes healthy snacks and packed lunches. Snacks need to be a piece of fruit only. Please see below for some healthy ideas.

### Healthy lunchbox

Variety is key to healthy eating for your toddlers.

Planning meals and snacks to include a variety of food and drinks from these food groups each day will provide your little ones with the good balance of nutrients they need to flourish and thrive!



Pick one food type from each box and remember to mix it up each day:

<b>STARCHY CARBOHYDRATES</b> <small>*Choose wholemeal/high fibre options where possible</small>	<b>PROTEINS</b> <small>*e.g. Meat, fish, beans, pulses, tofu</small>	<b>VEGETABLES</b>
		
<b>FRUIT</b>	<b>FOR STRONG BONES</b> <small>*e.g. milk, yoghurt, soya/pea milk</small>	<b>REMEMBER A DRINK AND BE KIND TO YOUR TEETH</b>
		

<https://foundationyears.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/Eat-Better-Start-Better1.pdf>

<https://www.nhs.uk/start4life/weaning/>



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## Important Information

If any of your contact details change or any medical information for your child/ren please make sure you let Mrs Spry in the school office know as soon as possible.



UPDATED July 2025

Please can we remind Parent/Carers of the school uniform policy. It is Important the children wear the correct uniform at all times.

Jumper/Cardigan— Blue jumper/cardigan with the school logo

Polo shirt—smart, plain white polo shirt

Trousers/Skirt/Pinafore—Black trousers, shorts, skirts or pinafores. (no joggers)

**Skirts must be knee length or longer.**

Summer dresses – blue and white checked only

Socks/Tights—Plain black socks or tights. Plain white socks with summer dresses.

Black shoes — smart, waterproof, plain black shoes only (not trainers)

PE – House coloured T-Shirts (red/blue/yellow) with black shorts or black joggers/leggings and trainers.

**Also NO Jewellery/False Nails & long hair tied up due to health and safety & also NO nail varnish**

**\*\* NO FOOTBALL KITS OR BRANDED CLOTHING \***



### **2025–2026 Term Dates**

Autumn term 1 2025: Thursday 4th September 2025 - Thursday 16th October 2025  
Autumn term 2 2025: Monday 3rd November 2025 - Friday 19th December 2025  
Spring term 1 2026: Monday 5th January 2026 - Friday 13th February 2026  
Spring term 2 2026: Monday 23rd February 2026 - Thursday 2nd April 2026  
Summer term 1 2026: Monday 20th April 2026 - Friday 22nd May 2026  
Summer term 2 2026: Monday 1st June 2026 - Friday 24th July 2026



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