

FOWEY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Collaboration Aspiration Respect Empathy



Friday 16th
January

Message from Mrs Walker

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for making an effort with attendance. We had external visitors in school this week and they commented on the prompt start to the school day and how children were engaged in purposeful activities as soon as they arrived. These extra few minutes of learning time has such an impact on their academic progress. Thank you.

Although exceptions will always be made, if right for the individual, please can all families encourage children to attend school with appropriate uniform. If anyone is struggling with this, please reach out to a member of staff. Thank you for your co-operation.

I would like to bring your attention to the attached flyer which is promoting an informal opportunity to pop into school, once a month to share a warm drink and if desired, enjoy the peace and quiet or alternatively engage with school staff to ask questions or just chat.

The first one will be 12th February and on this occasion two of our new Community Champions will be present for you to meet (if you wish). Community Champions are volunteers who are willing to dedicate their time to listening to the school community (that includes you!) on anything that seems relevant or important to you. Dan White and Carole Asker will be available to chat, if you wish. I am extremely grateful for their support with this new initiative.

This week in Year 5 and 6 we have had a visitor in to talk about boat building and the links with engineering. I saw many happy faces and a few boats that did float!

I hope you have a lovely weekend and see you next week.

Many Thanks for your support



Thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's education journey. Together, we can inspire greatness and empower our students to reach for the stars.



Dates

Important Reminders

January

21st - NCMP for EYFS & Year 6
23rd - Year 3 & 4 Bake Sale

February

13th - Year 1 & 2 Bake Sale

March

5th - World Book Day
12th - Tea Time Thursday
27th - EYFS Bake Sale & Easter
Extravaganza

Uniform Policy

As the weather cools, please ensure your child comes into school with a warm coat. We will try to ensure children enjoy their break times outside if the weather allows.

The National Year of Reading - 10 Minutes That Will Change Everything
We're asking every family to commit to just 10 minutes of reading together, every single day, throughout 2026.

Why 10 minutes? Because it works.

Children who read for pleasure are 13 times more likely to read above the expected level for their age. Just 10 minutes daily exposes your child to approximately 1 million words per year - building vocabulary, confidence, and a love of learning that extends far beyond literacy.

This isn't about perfection. It's about consistency. A bedtime story. A comic at breakfast. An audiobook in the car. Whatever works for your family.
As part of the National Year of Reading 2026 "Go All In" campaign, we're committed to ensuring 100% of CELT pupils see themselves as readers by December. But we can't do this alone - we need you.

Your commitment + Our support = Reading success

You'll receive monthly reading packs with book recommendations, conversation starters, and practical ideas to make those 10 minutes count.

Will you commit to 10 minutes every day?



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.



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

Money Worries? Need Help?



St Austell Foodbank CMA Connect Centre is here to help anyone worried about money or debt to access confidential advice.

Come and have a quick chat with us in person during our drop in session

Wednesday 21st January, 18th February
18th March, 15th April 10am - 12pm

St Austell Family Hub, White River Place, Chi Austel,
St Austell, PL25 5AZ

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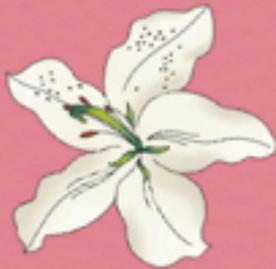
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Tea Time Thursday

Come and join us for a quiet cup of tea, a chat with school staff or just a warm 10 minutes. Very informal!



 *12TH FEBRUARY 2026, AFTER DROP-OFF*

 *FOWEY PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL*

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