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Next week on Thursday afternoon the school will be holding it's annual Harvest Festival Service at St. Bartholomew's Church at 1.30pm. When we have an event at the church that involves the whole school, space is very limited, but parents are still welcome to attend and join in with the singing. Thank you to those parents who have already donated food for the festival - this will all be passed on to a food-bank. Further contributions will be greatly appreciated. Non-perishable food only please.

Self-discipline You are practicing **Self-discipline** when you...

- Use detachment so your emotions won't control you
- Speak and act calmly when you are hurt or angry
- Create routines that bring peace and order to your day
- Practice moderation
- Do what is expected without anyone watching over you
- Do things on time

Affirmation
*I have self-discipline.
 I use my time well and get things done.
 I choose my actions with detachment.*

Self-discipline means self-control. It is doing what you really want to do, rather than being tossed around by your feelings like a leaf in the wind. You act instead of react. You get things done in an orderly and efficient way. With self-discipline, you take charge of yourself.

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Virtues

We linked last week's virtue of 'Peacefulness' to being mindful and asked children to take the time to pause, focus on their breathing and consider what they are feeling at different times through the week.

Next week's virtue is '**self-discipline**' and we again ask parents to look for those opportunities to praise their child/ren for showing or working on this virtue.

Foundation stage

This week the children have been talking about the seasons and festivals that occur within them, for example harvest and Christmas. They also found out when their birthday is.

The reception children have been revising the sounds they have learned so far this half term and have been writing cvc words segmenting and blending the sounds.

The Nursery has been thinking about making body sounds in time to the beat.

We have all been exploring 2d shapes naming and discussing their properties, making shape aliens and shape pictures.

Next week the children want to make combine harvesters can you please bring in junk modelling boxes/tubes etc from Monday. Many thanks.

Key Stage 1

We are very excited about our school trip next week on Wednesday 17th October to Pendennis Castle. Please make sure that final payments are made by Monday 15th October.

Times Table Rockstars is now set up for all KS1 children. This can be accessed using their AR log in. The web link is: <https://play.ttrockstars.com/> and make sure that you select Porthleven School, Helston in the organisation box.

We will be planning with the children on what they would like to learn about linked to the topic 'Fire'. Ask them to share their ideas with you so that they can confidently talk about them.

Year 1 have their hearing screening on Friday 19th October 2018. Letters were previously sent home about this.

Key Stage 2

Key Stage 2 children have also received their log-ins to Times Table Rockstars and are excitedly collecting coins and improving their avatars by learning and quizzing their times-tables. Please see KS1 above, for log-in details.

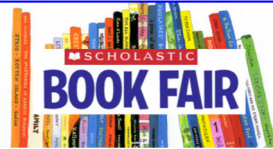
In years 3 and 4 children enjoyed sharing their composting bins and learning about soil structure in science. In art they have been drawing crystals and learning about 3D shapes at the same time. In literacy they have started their earthquake descriptions.

In years 5 and 6 the children have started collecting powerful vocabulary for their setting descriptions using figurative language. In science they have been investigating the conductivity of materials and in their topic on fair trade they have been learning about the trading of bananas: how much farmers receive in comparison to the shippers and retailers, which is sadly not much.



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Scholastic book fair

Scholastic Book Fair at school in the infant hall from Monday 15th October 2018 until Wednesday 17th October 2018. Pupils and their families are welcome to come along from 3:15p.m. until 4:00p.m.

Cross Country

On Tuesday 16th October there is Cross Country which was due to be at Mullion Comprehensive for years 3, 4, 5 & 6 is now being held at Porthleven School. This is starting at 4:00 p.m.

Parent Gardening Club!

Porthleven school needs parents to come and help us maintain and keep the garden safe for children. If you are interested the club meets on Wednesday after school at the sensory garden. Parents are welcome to bring and involve their children in the gardening or the children can play on the apparatus nearby.

Music Lessons - Cornwall Music Service Trust

If you have a child who is interested in learning an instrument please see the school office or visit <https://www.cornwallmusicservicetrust.org/#home>.

There are currently spaces in woodwind, brass & violin.

School Fundraiser update

The non-school uniform day in total **raised an impressive £228.53**. Mrs Gunn and her family appreciate all the support everyone has given towards fundraising to fight motor neurone disease.

Chartwells Job Vacancy

Chartwells Catering have a vacancy in Porthleven School catering. This is a catering assistant and is 10 hours a week. The position is term time only with salary spread over whole year.

Are you interested in school catering that fits around your family life?

If so, why not join our friendly professional catering team. Appropriate training will be given and smart uniforms provided.

Please contact the Chartwells Recruitment line on 01872 540263 or email cornwall.vacancies@compass-group.co.uk for an application form.

Chartwells Catering have a Vacancy in:

PORTHLEVEN SCHOOL

SCHOOL CATERING ASSISTANT – 10 Hours a Week

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Calendar - School term dates 2018/2019 - Important dates for your diaries are as follows:-

Tuesday 16th October 2018 - Cross Country (3) for years 3, 4, 5 & 6 at Porthleven School and starts from 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday 30th October 2018 - Cross Country (4) for years 3, 4, 5 & 6 at Mullion. Starts from 4:00 p.m.

Friday 19th October 2018 - Year 1 hearing screening

Monday 22nd October 2018 - Friday 26th October 2018 - School closed for Half term

Tuesday 20th November 2018 - Tempest Family and individual photographs

Wednesday 5th December 2018 - Christmas dinner menu for children

Playgroup

All welcome to join us, Tuesday's 9—11 a.m. in the infant hall.