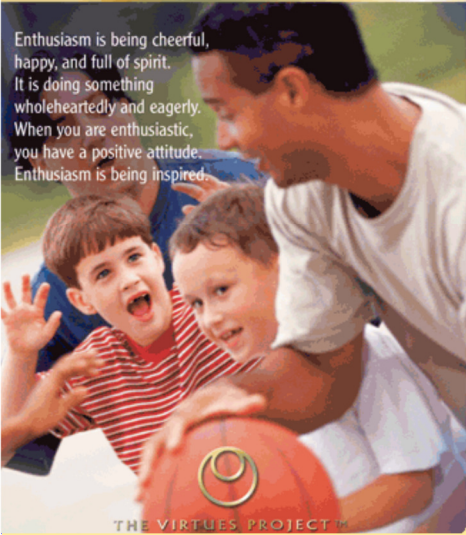




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Enthusiasm



Enthusiasm is being cheerful, happy, and full of spirit. It is doing something wholeheartedly and eagerly. When you are enthusiastic, you have a positive attitude. Enthusiasm is being inspired.

Enthusiasm

You are practicing

when you...

- Smile, laugh and enjoy what you do
- Look forward to something eagerly
- Have a positive attitude
- Do things wholeheartedly
- Look on the bright side
- Are inspired by the wonders of life

Affirmation

*I am full of enthusiasm.
 I give 100% to whatever I do. I use my imagination.
 I am open to the wonders in store for me today.*



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Virtues

This week's virtue is 'Enthusiasm' and in assembly we will be showing how the enthusiasm of people helps to tackle some of the larger problems facing our environment.

Foundation stage

Last week the children had been listening to the story a 'Squash and a Squeeze' by Julia Donaldson. They have been making a house for the little old woman and writing part of the story using their phonic knowledge.

In numeracy, we have been ordering the numbers to 5 Nursery and 10 Reception.

The sounds the children have learnt last week were 'sh', 'ch' and 'th'. Please use their whiteboards at home to practise these.

The children continue to practise their 'up the ramp' letters and we have focused on 'l', please find handwriting sheets and the patten for handwriting in their book bags.

Parents Evenings will be the week of the 18th March, so we can give the next steps, support and ideas to enable

children to reach a good level of development. Appointments to follow nearer the time.

Key Stage 1 As part of the 'Staying Healthy' topic, the children have been learning how milk is turned into cheese. Some of them were lucky enough to taste some cheese provided by the Wallis's farm and it was delicious!

Look out in your children's reading records as some children are now receiving a certificate to show their resilience and determination. They have read 50 books with a score of 60% or above. There are 2 children who are very close to 75.

In Year 1, we have been playing maths games to improve fluency in addition, numbers bonds and doubling. If you would like to play maths games with your children at home, just let Mrs. Figgins know and she will pass a copy on to your child on a Friday once we have played them.

Key Stage 2 In maths year 3/4 children have been learning the division bus stop method and applying it to a range of problems. They have also been writing letters of complaint to council about the problems of litter in their environment and providing suggestions about how tackle it. In science they have been learning about the human skeleton and muscles. Ask them to demonstrate what would happen if you didn't have any bones!

Year 6 completed their mock SATs tests this week and will be sharing the individual results with parents at parent evenings booked for the week beginning 11th February. The children in years 5 & 6 have continued with their topic on space, learning about the geocentric and heliocentric models of our solar system and the history of astronomy. In their topic on mountains children have been comparing and contrasting the Cambrian and Himalayan ranges.

Parents evening

Letters about parents evening will be sent home Monday 28th January 2019. Parents evening appointments went live last week and this week.

Please book your Parents evening appointments through eschools (<https://porthleven.eschools.co.uk/login>).

Your username: forename.surname
 and then your password.

If you have forgotten your password please email secretary@porthleven.cornwall.sch.uk or kfarmer@porthleven.cornwall.sch.uk who can reset this for you.

We plan these evenings in the middle of the academic year to review progress to date and give pointers on your child's focus in learning for the rest of the year.

Friday 'Class Pride' Assemblies

Parents and extended family members are welcome to attend 'class Pride' assemblies. They will start at 9.10 and last approximately 20 minutes. Please note a **change to Swordfish 'class Pride' assembly.**

Years 5/6	Friday Assembly	Years 3/4	Friday Assembly	Years 1/2	Friday Assembly
Cormorants	After summer term	Emperor Fish	1st February	Starfish	1st March
Pelicans	After summer term	Swordfish	8th February	Turtles	8th March
Hérons	After summer term			Lobsters	15th March

Foundation Stage's assembly will be in the summer term.

Attendance Award

This weeks attendance award goes to Turtles for KS1 with 98.8% attendance and Swordfish for KS2 with 97.7% attendance!



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Transition to Helston Community College Year 5 & 6

The next transition session for Year 6 is Tuesday 12th February and will be their last one. The activity will be English and the children will be collected from Porthleven School by minibus at 2:45pm unless parents have stated otherwise. Transition finishes at 4:30pm and those children who parents are collecting from Helston Community College need to collect from South Site hall. Parents who have stated that they wish children to come back to Porthleven School by minibus should find children back at Porthleven School between 4:45-5:00pm.

Year 6 Transition dates:-
 Tuesday 12th February 2019 - Activity English

Year 5 children will be starting Transition to Helston Community College on Wednesday 13th March 2019 and the activity will be Science. Transition finishes at 4:30pm and those children who parents are collecting from Helston Community College need to collect from North Site Canteen. Parents who have stated that they wish children to come back to Porthleven School by minibus should find children back at Porthleven School between 4:45-5:00pm.

Year 5 Transition dates:-
 Wednesday 13th March 2019 - Activity Science
 Tuesday 26th March 2019 - Activity Languages
 Wednesday 22nd May 2019 - Activity PE

Understanding Your Child's Emotions Workshop - Wednesday 27th March at 9:15am - 11am or 5pm - 6:30pm

Mrs Broome will be running her workshop 'Understanding your child's emotions' again this term. Parents who attended last year found it full of practical ideas on how to cope with tantrums and tears. It is very informal and refreshment will be provided. The next workshop will be on Wednesday 27th March at a choice of times: 9.15-11am or 5-6.30pm. To register interest please contact the office.

FREE Violin Taster Sessions

Over the next two weeks Mr MacQuarrie will be offering free taster sessions to anybody interested in taking up violin lessons this term. Please note that violin lessons are chargeable and are invoiced termly by Cornwall Music Service Trust. However, subsidies are available for some pupils.

For more details or to book a place for a FREE taster session please email smacquarrie@cornwallmusicservicetrust.org

Junior Rotary Competition

We are so proud of Kasper Davi, Amy Sharratt and Flynn Holliehead who took part in the 'Youthspeaks' competition at Parc Eglos school earlier this week. They gave a fantastic presentation on plastic in the sea and were only three marks away from winning! Well done!

Theatre Club - performance

On Saturday 2nd February Theatre Club children will be doing two performances of 'The Rocky Monster Show' at Helston Community College North Site. First performance is at 2:30pm and the second performance is at 5:30pm. Tickets are £5 each and can be bought from the school office from Mrs Roberts or Miss Attwood. Please bring correct monies if possible.



By Malcolm Sircorn
 Saturday 2nd February
 Helston Community College North
 Site Hall 2:30pm & 5:30pm
 Tickets £5

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

Monday 18th February-Friday 22nd February 2019 - Half term

Tuesday 26th March 2019-Cross Country League Race 5 at Helston Community College start at 4:00pm & includes an Infant run

Wednesday 27th March - 'Understanding Your Child's Emotions' workshop with Mrs Broome

Monday 8th April-Monday 22nd April 2019 - School closed for Easter holidays

Monday 6th May 2019-Bank holiday - School closed

Wednesday 8th May 2019- School closed - Flora Day

Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May 2019 - Half term

Clubs List

Day	Club	Who it is for	Times	Staff running club
Mon	Theatre Club	Reception to Year 6	Straight after school until 4:15pm	Steph Richardson
Tues	Boogie Bounce	All Years	Straight after school until 4:15pm. Places paid for in advance.	Rachel Hall
	Plymouth Argyle KS2 Boys Football	Years 4 - 6 Boys	Straight after school until 4:30pm.	
Weds	DT Club	Year 6 only	Straight after school until 4:30pm	Mrs Tripp & Mrs Singleton
	Plymouth Argyle KS1 Multi-Sport	Years 1 - 3	Straight after school until 4:30pm. Letters available from the office.	
Thurs	Story club	Year 1 & 2	Straight afterschool until 4:15pm	Mrs Power
	Forest School	Year 3 & 4	Straight after school until 4:15pm	Mrs Trounson
	Plymouth Argyle Multi-Sports	Year 4-6	Straight after school until 4:30pm. Letters available from the office. Starting after February half term on Thursday 28th February	
Fri	Golden Club	Invite only	Straight after school – varied finishing time depending on activity. Please check letters.	Mrs Figgins