



# Newsletter

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## CLASS INFORMATION

Porthcurno Class is the home of Year 4, 5 and 6. The class is taught by Mrs Rendle Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Mrs Ayotte on Thursday and Friday. Mrs King teaches maths each day to year 4.

Please help us to support your child by making sure that they are in school promptly each morning at 8:45 am ready to learn with any resources they have been asked to bring.

**WATER BOTTLES** - please ensure your child has a water bottle in school every day. It is really important that they stay hydrated in order to learn effectively.



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## PORTHCURNO CLASS

### World War 2 - What was Cornwall's role in the war?

It's 1939 and Britain is at war. A study of the causes and effects of the Second World War on the people of both the allied and axis powers. We will retrace the routes taken by evacuees; learn about rationing and the 'Dig for Victory' campaign; The Blitz and the significance of the Battle of Britain as a turning point in the war. Furthermore, we will find out about the impact on Cornwall and our local area.

We will learn about and create our own art work linked to WW2 scenes and based on the works of war artists.

We are lucky to be visiting the Imperial War Museum as part of our residential to London so year 5 and 6 can explore lots of primary and secondary sources linked to the war.

Our unit will end with our very own evacuee experience - more details to follow! See the Topic overview for a detailed breakdown of the terms curriculum.

### PE:

A reminder that PE is on a Tuesday and swimming continues on a Thursday this term. Please ensure your child had the correct uniform/ kit each day.

## READING AND HOMEWORK

**Reading:** We ask that children read at home to an adult at least 4 times a week (this includes free readers). This does not always need to be their school reading book: it could be a book from home, a magazine, an article on the internet or anything else that encourages your child to read and enjoy reading. Please ensure your child has their reading book and diary in school every day and that they are signed by parents.

**Spelling:** Spellings will be sent home on a Wednesday for a spelling quiz the following Wednesday. Please help your child to learn these words. They can also learn them on Spelling Shed.

**Times Tables:** Please learn times tables at least 4 times a week either through TTRS, chanting or other games/ quizzes until children can recall up to 12x12 fluently and the following reading and spelling practice:

**Homework grid:** The termly topic based homework grid is optional. If you choose to do one of the activities - please bring it to school to share with the class.

# Other Information



CREATIVITY



CONFIDENCE



COLLABORATION



INDEPENDENCE

*Excellence - Equity - Evolution - Believe - Achieve - Aspire*

At St Buryan Academy safeguarding is everybody's responsibility. Please see our website for our policies and more information; however, if you feel that you may need to speak to our Safeguarding Office or Deputy, then please find their details below:

**Designated Safeguarding Officer: Mr Joshua McDonald - [head@stburyanacademy.org](mailto:head@stburyanacademy.org)**

**Deputy Designated Safeguarding Officer: Mrs Joanna Kwiatkowska - [joannak@stburyanacademy.org](mailto:joannak@stburyanacademy.org)**

**Parent Liaison Officer: Mrs Tina Care - [secretary@stburyanacademy.org](mailto:secretary@stburyanacademy.org)**

## ATTENDANCE

We are committed to driving our attendance continuously upward. It goes without saying, but the more that your child is in school, the more opportunity they have to learn and progress in all areas.

90% attendance is still 4 weeks off school each year!

80% attendance = 1 day a week off over 5 years = 1 full year of school missed!

Over a year, 10 minutes late each day is 6 full days of school

**OUR SCHOOL DAY BEGINS AT 8.45AM AND FINISHES AT 3.15PM**

### Term Dates and Insets:

#### Autumn Term

5 Sept - 20 Dec (Half term: 28th Oct - 1st Nov)

#### Spring Term

6 Jan - 4 April (Half term: 17th-21st Feb)

#### Summer Term

22 Apr - 23 Jul (26th-30th May)

**INSETS:** 3rd and 4th Sept 2024, 6th June 2025, 21st, 22nd, 23rd July 2025

**IF THE USUAL PERSON IS NOT PICKING YOUR CHILD UP, PLEASE LET THEIR CLASS TEACHER KNOW, EVEN IF IT MAY BE ANOTHER PARENT OF THE SCHOOL - THANK YOU**

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## INDEPENDENT LEARNING

Here are some websites to help your child's progress:

- Spelling Shed
- Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS)
- Read Theory
- [bbc.co.uk/bitesize](http://bbc.co.uk/bitesize)
- [primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk](http://primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk)
- Rollama
- Maths Frame