



The Cornwall Independent School

Friday 1st May 2026

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Tehidy Woods

Year 2 and 3 enjoyed a visit to Tehidy Woods yesterday where they conducted a nature walk to support their Science topic. Pupils identified trees, plants and birds while enjoying the beautiful display of bluebells around the woodland. The squirrels kept us company following us around the site.

Bank Holiday

School will be closed on Monday 4th May due to the May Day bank holiday.

Work Experience

Year 10 work experience week is rapidly approaching and it is important that we have all remaining forms returned to school by 8th May 2026. The following week students will be given their work experience booklets in preparation for their placement and we need to be able to check all details to ensure safe and positive experiences for all pupils.

Residential Forms

Pupils attending the residential over the next couple of weeks have forms to be completed before the trips take place. Please can we ask that these are returned as quickly as possible so that the staff have the most up to date information to take with them on the visits.

After School Clubs

Summer Term Clubs began this week; places are still available if anyone else wishes to join clubs. The Sports Club and Board Games clubs are cancelled for the next two weeks due to the teachers being on the residential visits. Seahorses is available if required. GCSE revision clubs will continue through the exam period to support Year 11 students in these final weeks.

The Boy at the Back of the Class

Year 5 & 6 had an enjoyable trip to The Hall for Cornwall this week. The Boy at the Back of the Class is about a refugee child and his struggles to settle in a new country. It highlights the power of good friends, kindness and courage in a world that doesn't always make sense. It reminds us that everyone needs a place to call home.

Name Tags

Please can we ask that parents check that student's names are still visible in all items of uniform as these do tend to wear away during the school year. We have had a number of items found around school without names which makes it very difficult to return to students.

Quiz Night

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Quiz Night, it was a wonderful evening with a range of questions to suit all ages. Thank you to Mr Paffett for putting the quiz together and taking on the role of Quiz Master.

Attendance

Regular attendance at school is essential for pupils to achieve their full potential. Consistent attendance helps pupils to develop positive learning habits, confidence and strong relationships with staff and peers. We ask parents and carers to support the school by ensuring absences are kept to a minimum and that children arrive punctually every day.

Trips

This term is always busy with many trips and residential. Please can we ask that consent forms are returned promptly to enable smooth preparation.

Special Awards

Star of the week

Reception & Year 1 - Adelaide

For trying really hard in Maths even when things were tricky!

Year 2 & 3 - Charlotte

For brilliant work on Fantastic Mr Fox.

Year 4 & 5 - Zachary

For excellent addition and subtraction and moving up in his speed tables.

Year 6 – Charlie

For great work in History and being polite around school.

House Points

Pendeen 101

Godrevy 94

Trevoze 85



Secondary Celebrations

English – Jessica (Year 8)

For her continuing focus and neat presentation week after week.

Maths – Nicky (Year 10)

For dedication to his maths studies.

Science –

Humanities – Billy and Lylie (Year 9)

For always arriving to lessons on time, excellent focus and making a prompt start to tasks.

Art – Rocco (Year 7)

For his hard work in art, Mrs Pochee is looking forward to seeing the final outcome.

Computer Science– Jessica (Year 8):

For growing in confidence and making good contributions to class discussions, and for always being polite and helpful.

PE – Samuel and Archie (Year 11)

For amazing teamwork when fielding during rounders.

DT - Coby and Callum (Year 10)

For working really hard on their NEA 1 mock and coming in early to help set up. They are always very motivated. Well done.

French – Seren (Year 8)

For reading beautifully aloud.

Dates for the Diary:

Monday 4th May – Bank Holiday Monday

Wednesday 6th – Friday 8th May – Year 7/8 Residential

Wednesday 6th May – French Speaking Exam

Monday 11th May – GCSE written exams begin.

Wednesday 13th – Friday 15th May – PGL Residential

Monday 18th – Friday 22nd May – Y10 Work Experience

Friday 22nd May – Years 7-9 The Lost Gardens of Heligan

Monday 25th – Friday 29th May – Half Term

Friday 5th June – Year 2&3 Ancient Egypt workshop

Thursday 18th & Friday 19th June - Year 2&3 Camp

Wednesday 24th June – Rec – Y6 Sports Day

Wednesday 1st July – Year 8 – Plymouth Aquarium

Friday 3rd July – Roseland GCSE Geology Trip

Monday 6th July – Speech Day

Wednesday 8th – Summer Fair

Friday 10th July -End of Term

Careers Advice

Sue Willmott, our external Careers advisor, joined us again this week to see the remaining Year 8 students and our Year 7 pupils. We will share any information and links with students via their Google Classroom Careers Class so that they can explore any information provided.

Penwith College

Please find attached an invite for Year 10 students from the team at Penwith College. They are holding an open evening for Year 10 students on Tuesday 5th May to learn what the Penwith Campus can offer.

Art Exam

Well done to our Year 11 Art students who have completed their Art exam this week. We look forward to seeing their final pieces of work once the external moderator has visited. He will assess and moderate their final exam piece alongside their coursework.

We hope you have an enjoyable long weekend.

Best Wishes Miss Adams

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