



St Mary's Catholic Primary School

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St Mary's News letter 24th May

Headteachers Update 24.5.24

This is our final news letter of this term.

Rocksteady started today. All the children who took part had a very good time. We still have spaces available for drummers, guitarists and singers. Please follow the link on Dojo.

We are sad to announce that Both Mr Allen and Mrs Callaghan will be leaving us for pastures new, at the end of the summer term. We thank them wholeheartedly for all of their amazing hard work and contributions to St Mary's. We wish them lots of luck in their new chapters and will miss them dreadfully.

We welcome Mr Halliday and Mrs Woollard to our school from September. Both of them are very passionate about teaching and they bring with them new energy and enthusiasm to compliment our existing team. They will be spending more time with us in July and will be here for the transition day on the 11th July.

A huge well done to all of our Year 2 pupils who completed their SAT tests this week. I think the whole class will be happy to get back to normal and enjoy their learning again.

We are pleased to say that the Stop and Think consequence sheet is working well across the school, the majority of children are taking much greater responsibility for their behaviour choices and are able to make good choices when faced with the consequences after the two warnings. Thank you for your support with this way of working.

All that remains for me to say is have a wonderful half term when it comes, lets hope we see the sun.

School reopen to all pupils on Monday the 3rd June at 8.45am.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Dates for the Diary

Dates for the Diary Summer Term 24

Weekly Mass at St Mary's and St Petroc's Church Wednesday at 10 am—all welcome

Monday 6th May— Bank Holiday— School closed

Monday 13th to Friday 17th May Year 6 SATS week

Wednesday 15th May Year 1 Newquay Aquarium

16th May Fiesta Theme Menu whole school

20th-24th May Year 2 optional SATS

Wednesday 22nd May Class Photos

27th to the 31st May Half Term week

Monday 3rd June back to school

10th to the 12th June Year 5 Residential Porthpean

17th to the 21st June Olympics week

Tuesday 18th June Year 3/4 sports day am and Year 5/6 sports day pm

Wednesday 19th June Reception and Nursery Sports Day am and Year 1/2 Sports Day pm

1st July-4th July St Mary's Mission week

1st July 'Welcome Day' Bodmin College Year 6's

Transition date for school to follow soon

8th July Year 6 Leavers Mass (CAST) Plymouth Cathedral

16th July Year 6 End of Year Play Afternoon/evening

22nd July Year 6 Leavers Mass (St Mary's Church) 2pm

23rd July Year 6 Graduation 1.45pm and end of school



Nursery and Reception Class News





















Year 1

Another busy week in Year 1, but we have been particularly impressed with the persistence shown in Year 1!!

In English we have been learning how to write a re-count using "and", time connectives, writing in first person and in paragraphs. Year 1 have done a great job at writing all about our trip to the aquarium.

In Maths we have been exploring numbers to 100!! We have been learning how to use number lines, counting forwards and backwards and counting in 10's and 1's.

I think the best part of year 1's week was making fish. Over the past weeks we have been looking very carefully at the shape of fish and the shape and texture of fish scales. Year 1 had the chance to use cardboard, paper, tissue paper and tin foil to make their very own fish. They all look amazing!!

Year 1 have shown fantastic learning during our last week before the half term, all the staff in year 1 are very impressed with everyone's reading. Keep it up year 1 :D

We had our last session of forest school yesterday. We have been very lucky to be involved in all the outdoor learning and year 1 have thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Thank you for a great term, we hope you all have a lovely break :D







Year 2 News

Wow! Year 2 what a week we have had. we are proud of each and every one of you for taking SATs in your stride. They are now all over and you can enjoy your half term in the sun (hopefully).

Next half term we have lots of new activities and topics for you to engage in. I am really looking forward to our last half term together and seeing what amazing things we can achieve together.

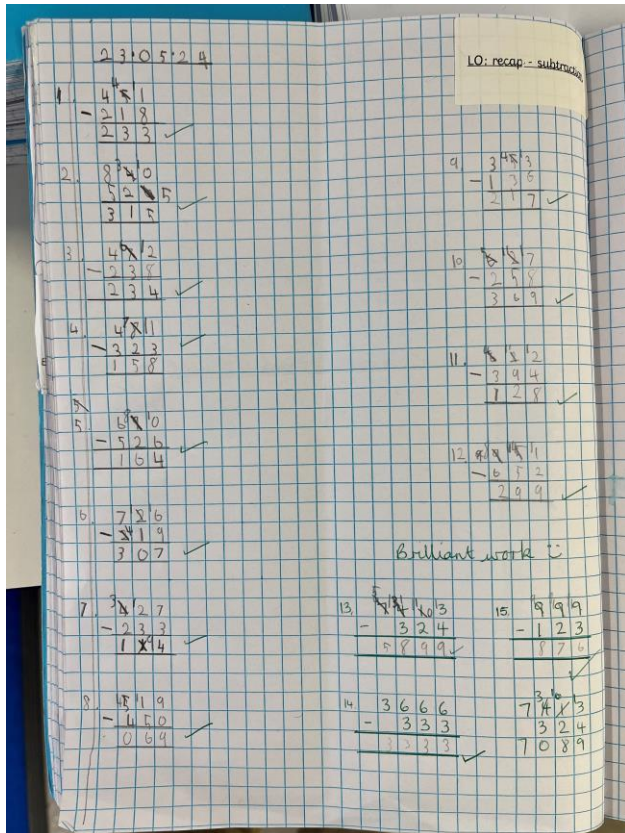
The year 2 team wish you a happy and safe half term. Have lots of well deserved fun and make sure you stay safe. See you all after half term.

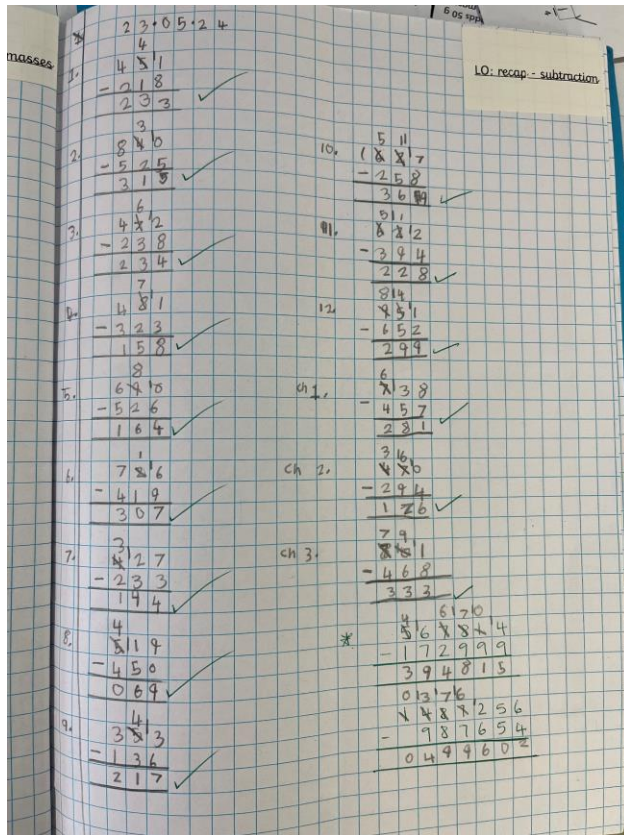
The Year 2 Team.

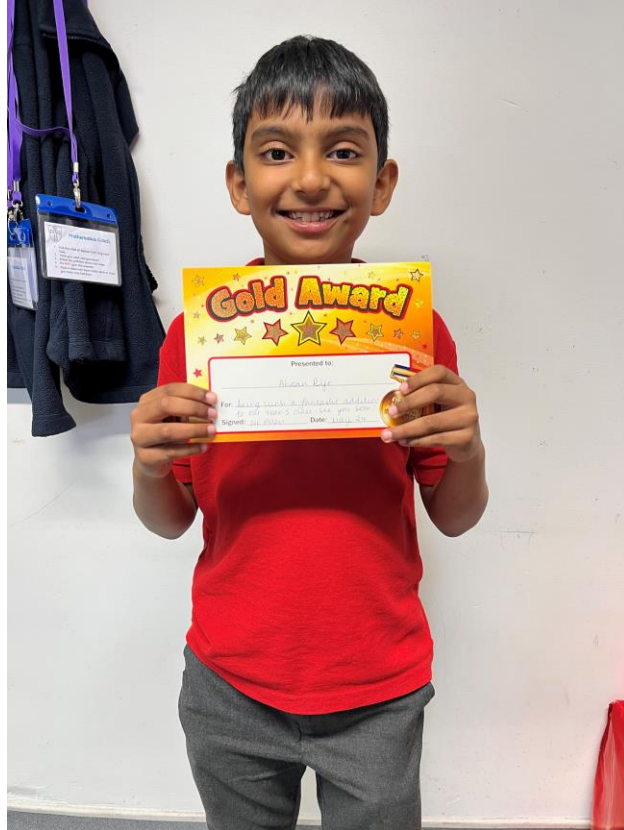


Year 3 News

It's been a lovely end to this half term in year 3! We've finished our diary writing and have started to look at another example of non-fiction text - a non-chronological report. We'll be writing our own reports on volcanoes when we get back after half term. In maths we've looked at reasoning and problem solving questions related to mass, and recapping our skills when subtracting three-digit numbers. In science we've been exploring why recycling is so important and how we might live a more sustainable lifestyle. We were also very lucky to catch up with Aden in Scotland and wish him a Happy Birthday! A lovely way to end the half term. I hope you all enjoy your well-deserved rests!







Year 4 News

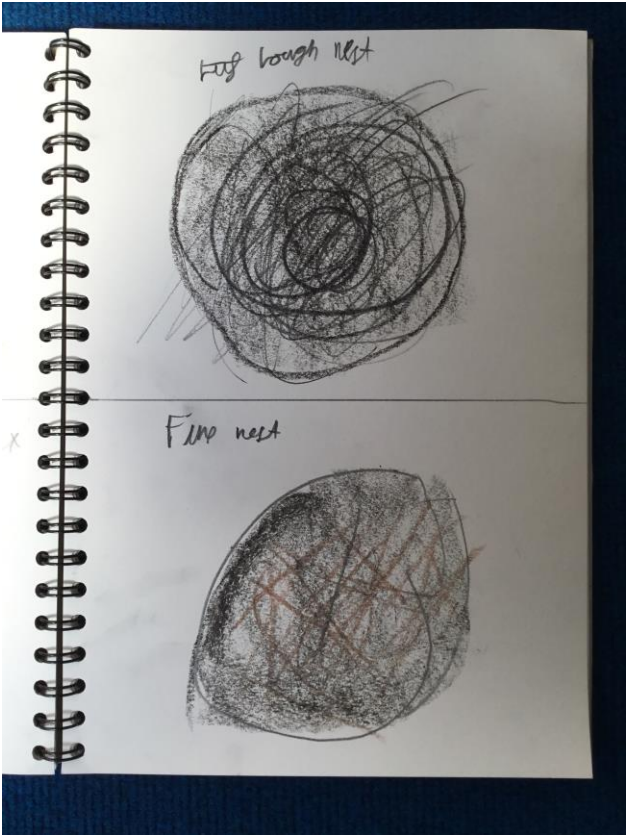
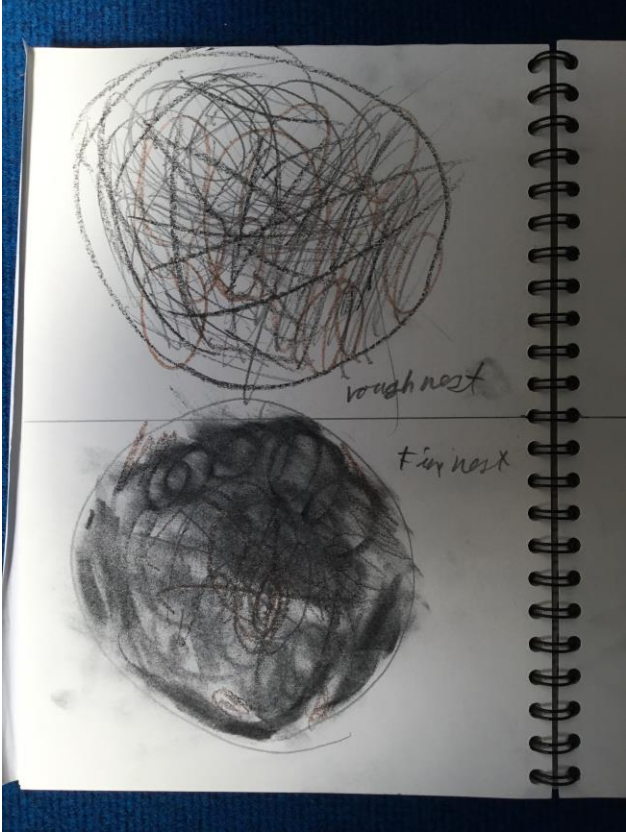
Well done Year 4, you have worked hard all half term. In particular, you have all worked so hard on the presentation of your work. Keep up this hard work.

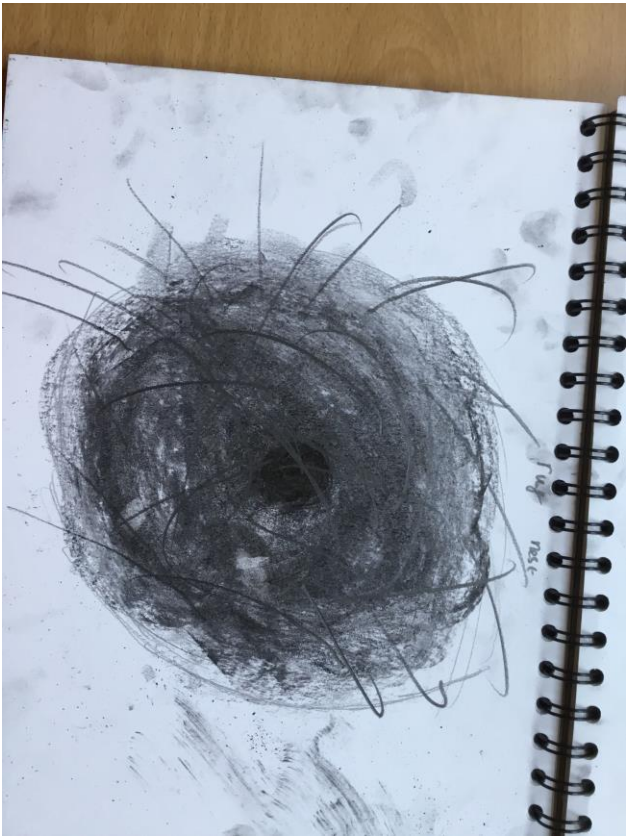
In maths, we have finished our work on decimals and smashed our end-of-unit assessment.

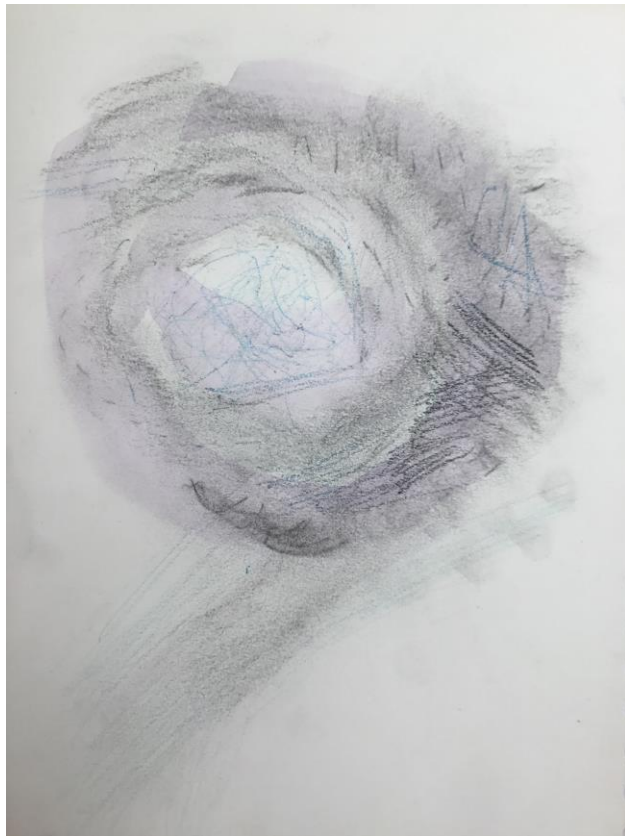
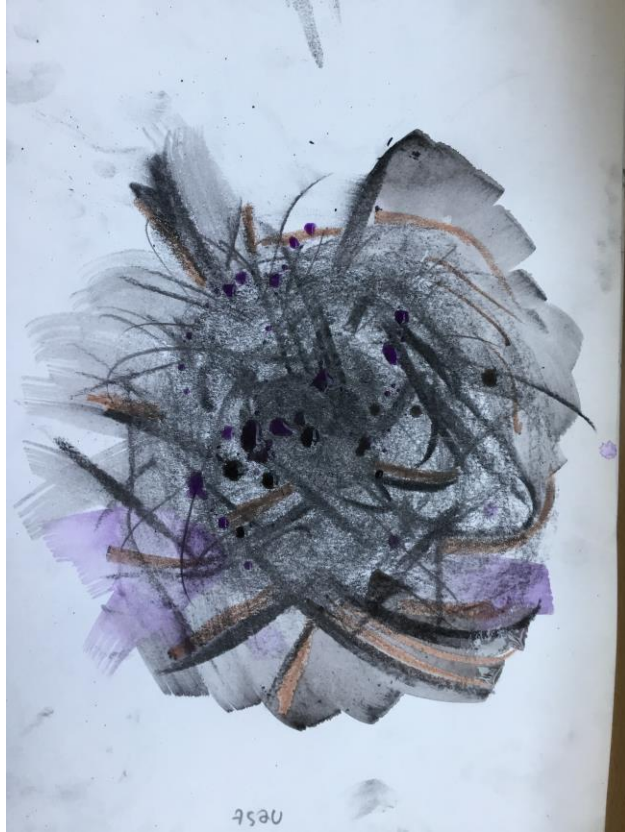
We have finished writing our defeating the monster stories, including many relative clauses to add extra information.

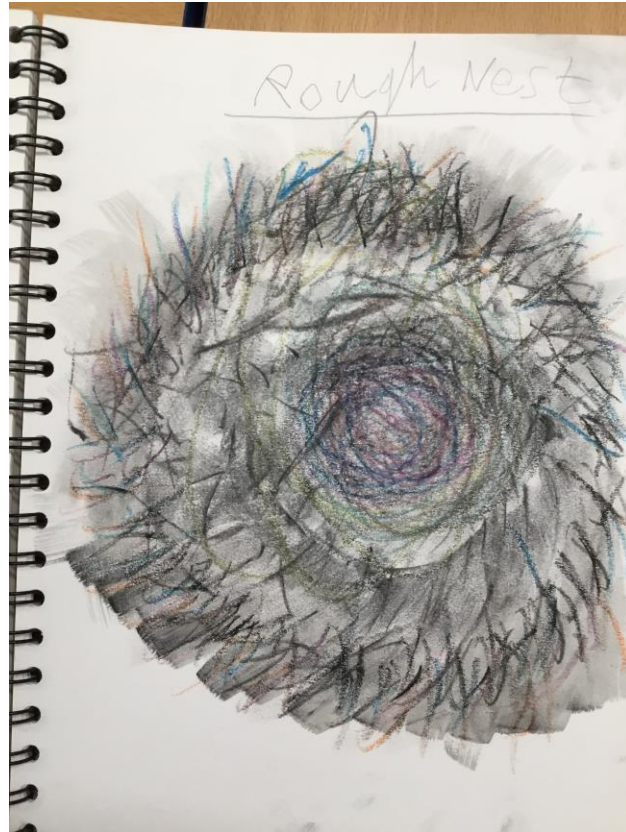
In art, we have used different mediums to create detailed nest drawings, they were brilliant!

Have a well-deserved break year 4, ready and recharged, to end the year on a high.









Year 5 News

We've had a fabulous week, we topped it off by completing fieldwork within our school grounds. We thought about how sustainable our community is. We completed an environmental survey, to see if there were areas we could improve. We decided that we will spend more time planting next half-term and ensuring we keep all school areas clean and tidy.



Year 6 News

Year 6 have just finished their science topic on light. They investigated how light is used through constructing periscopes and explaining how they work. Also, Year 6 have been allocated their roles in our end of year play. They are now practising their acting skills and may one day star on Eastenders!! Well, hmmm possibly!







My Brilliant Place to Be Me

We are so delighted to have taken delivery of these amazing books which are to support children's mental health and wellbeing.



1 - My Brilliant Place to Be Me

Produced by Cornwall Council and Head Start Kernow they are packed full of mindfulness activities and wellbeing support. We are handing these out to our children across years 3,4,5 and 6 as needed.

Cost of Living Resource Sheet

Inclusion Cornwall have put together this helpful resource sheet with lots of financial help and support for individuals and families

<https://inclusioncornwall.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/Cost-of-Living-Resource-Sheet-v8-7-May-2024.docx>

Parent Led CBT Workshop - Cornwall Mental Health Support Team

Cornwall's Mental Health Support Team are holding a Parent/Carer workshop which is looking at Parent-Led CBT. These will be held online beginning w/c 03/06/2024 for 5 weeks. These sessions are 2 hours long.

The Mental Health Support Team invites you to book your place on our Online Parent-Led CBT Workshop

Parent-led cognitive behavioural therapy (CBT) is a brief psychological intervention in which parents and carers are supported in applying CBT principles in their child's day-to-day life.

This workshop comprises of weekly sessions for 5 consecutive weeks

Upcoming dates for Mid Cornwall Schools
Monday 3rd June - Monday 1st July 2024
10am -12pm

Please note: This group is open to parents/carers of children in Year 1 to Year 6

To request a place, complete the online form or scan the QR code provided:
<https://forms.office.com/e/DeU6gPJGR2>

Sign up will close on Thursday 30th May

Spaces are limited, if you cannot attend, please notify us asap - 01726 873204

Attendance Update

Whole school attendance has remained at 94.9% and this week Year 3 won the attendance cup with an attendance figure of 99.3%. Well done Year 3 !!

Just a reminder that if your child is too unwell for school that you contact the school office by 8.30am and let us know that your child will be absent and the reason for the absence. Please can we ask that if your child is unwell that you let us know the symptoms being experienced and that we are contacted each day your child is absent. Our school policy is that if we do not have a reason for the absence we will complete a welfare check visit to your home to ensure that everyone is safe and well !

ATTENDANCE
 WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL
 Children who are absent from school for 10 or more days in a year are at a higher risk of not achieving their full potential.

How do YOU measure up?

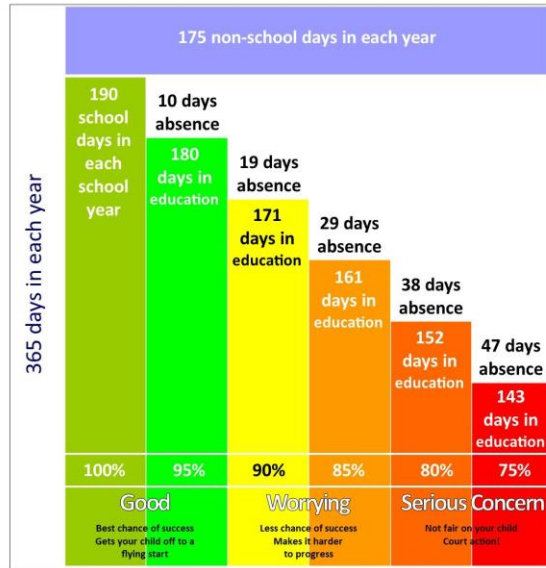
Attendance	Days	Weeks	Lessons
85%	9 Days	2 Weeks	10 Lessons
90%	19 Days	4 Weeks	100 Lessons
95%	29 Days	6 Weeks	150 Lessons
99%	38 Days	8 Weeks	200 Lessons
99%	48 Days	10 Weeks	250 Lessons
99%	57 Days	12.5 Weeks	290 Lessons
99%	67 Days	15.5 Weeks	340 Lessons

89% & Below
 Drastic effect on academic achievement

95%-99%
 Cause for concern

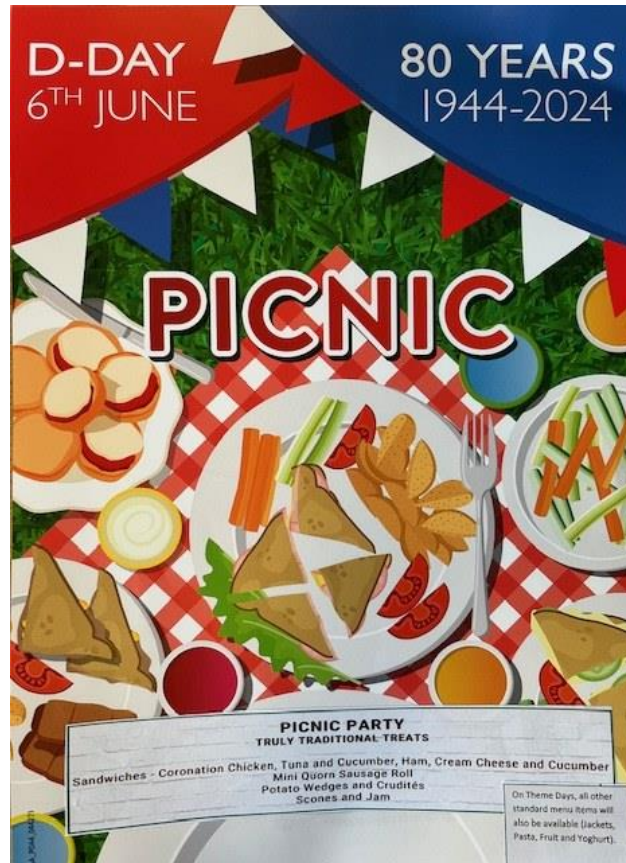
100%-96%
 Excellent

Every School Day Counts



Please don't let your child miss out on the education they deserve...
EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Office News



2 - In line with D-Day 80 Commemorations we will be having a picnic lunch on Thursday 6 June 2024. To indicate your child requires a main meal or vegetarian meal please book via Parentpay. Please note wording on Parentpay won't change but will indicate the option your child requires.

On theme days jacket potatoes, pasta, fruit and yogurt will be available as normal.

Please ensure Parentpay accounts are up to date, many thanks

Community links and events

Here is a link to our Church. Mass is held every week on Sunday at 10.30. Our parish Priest is Fr Paul Keys and he is helped by Fr Robbie Low.

Some of our children are having their First Holy Communion on the 16th June, we wish them all the very best at the special event.

<https://stmarysbodmin.org.uk>

Please visit the site for mass times and any other information about our church.

Contact Us via Dojo or call 01208 73218 or visit our new website
<https://www.st-marys-bod.cornwall.sch.uk/web>