



Godolphin Primary School  
'living, learning and laughing together'

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### Key Diary Dates:

#### Inset Days 2025/26 Reminder:

- 8<sup>th</sup> May 2026
- 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2026

**SATs Week (for Y6):** W/C 11<sup>th</sup> May 2026

**Y6 Bikeability:** Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> & Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

**Y5/6 Residential Trip (Porthpean):**  
Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June

**Whole class Photos:** Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June

**Godolphin School PTA Summer Fete:**  
Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June (1pm – 4pm)

**Sports Day:** Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June (Reserve date will be Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June) at 1:30pm

**Helston Community College Transition Days:** 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> July (Y6 pupils only).

**Y3/4 Residential Camp:** 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> July

### Attendance:

Overall school attendance for this week was 99.01% (of which none was unauthorised).

The attendance for each class was:

- Emerald Class: 100%
- Diamond Class: 98.8%
- Zircon Class: 98.1%

Overall school attendance for the academic year so far is 96.38%.

The termly attendance letter was sent out to all parents/carers this week. And, in line with the Crofty Attendance Policy, a letter will be sent to parents/carers whose children had attendance below 95% at the end of the Spring term or whom are being persistently late.

### After School Clubs: Summer Term (1) 2026:

#### Athletics Club: (All Year Groups):

Once your place is confirmed you will need to pay the full £4 (£2 per session) in advance (payable on ParentPay).

- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May

#### Textile Craft Club: (Y3, Y4 & Y5): Now open to Y2 children also:

Once your place is confirmed you will need to pay the full £12 (£3 per session) in advance (payable on ParentPay).

- Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April
- Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May
- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May

#### Study Club Dates (Y6 pupils only):

- Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April
- Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May

#### Choir Club:

This is taking place during lunchtime on a Wednesday. Speak to Mrs Birkett if interested.

### PE Days for the Summer Term (1):

- Zircon Class: **Monday (athletics) & Friday (hockey)**
- Diamond Class: **Monday (athletics) & Friday (hockey)**
- Emerald Class: **Tuesday (dance) & Friday ('sticks')**

Please ensure pupils arrive wearing suitable PE kit and trainers. **Diamonds & Zircons will be playing hockey on a Friday, so shin-pads and long socks are recommended if you have them.**

Diamonds and Zircons will use the school field for their PE lessons this term. Therefore, they might require spare trainers and socks if the grass is likely to be wet.

### Google Classrooms:

Don't forget to check your child's Google Classrooms for updates on their learning, links to useful resources and the latest school news and photographs!

### **New Lunch Booking System:**

Many thanks to everyone for embracing the new booking system over the past week — especially despite Monday's technical glitch! Your patience and support have been greatly appreciated.

A reminder to please book your child's lunch before 8:30am each morning. You can book ahead for the week, month, or term. The menu is uploaded already until the end of the summer term. If a school meal has not been booked for your child, it will be assumed they are having a home packed lunch.

### **Golden Book Celebration Assembly:**

On Wednesday afternoon, we held our Spring Term Golden Book assembly.

Congratulations to the 13 children who were recognised by their teachers for outstanding attitude to learning last term! Certificates were presented to the following children. Well done!

#### **Reception:**

- Stanley
- Elodie

#### **Year 1:**

- Joshua
- Layla

#### **Year 2:**

- Ivo
- Penni

#### **Year 3:**

- Olivia J
- Henry

#### **Year 4:**

- George

#### **Year 5:**

- Sebastian
- Mille

#### **Year 6:**

- Jakob
- Keeley



### **Musician of the month:**

A reminder that the musician of the month for April is **Mozart**. If you have any Mozart music at home, maybe encourage your child(ren) to have a listen!

On Wednesday afternoon, the children were treated to a violin musical performance by one of our parents, Mia Bleach, who showcased music composed by Mozart. It was great for the children to hear and see Mozart's music come to life! Many thanks to Mia.



### **Artist of the month:**

A reminder that the artist of the month for April is contemporary illustrator, **Oliver Jeffers**.

### **Cool Milk:**

**Once your child turns five, they are no longer eligible for free milk in school.**

However, you can register your child for school milk. Simply visit [www.coolmilk.com/register](http://www.coolmilk.com/register).

It's super easy and your child can benefit from a nutritious drink of milk to keep them hydrated until lunch.

### **Cross Country League:**

The next XC league event (**KS1 & KS2**) is on **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April** at Mullion Secondary School (NOT Helston Community College).

**Race 6: 12<sup>th</sup> May** (KS1 & KS2) at Helston Community College (South site).

**Race 3 (re-scheduled): 9<sup>th</sup> June** at **Mullion Secondary School (KS2 only)**.

**Fun Relays & Presentation Event (KS2 only) (NEW DATE): 30<sup>th</sup> June** at Helston Community College (North Site).

All start at 4pm.

## Diamonds Eden Project Trip:

To complete our Geography enquiry 'Why are rainforests important?' the Diamond class visited the Tropical Rainforest at the Eden project.

With warm, sunny weather it didn't take long for the biome to heat up, and we enjoyed an authentically humid trek through the forest. As we wandered further and higher into the forest, we were able to see first-hand, some of the plants that we had been learning about - rubber plants, cacao, coffee beans, sugar cane, bananas and pineapples. We also saw oil palm trees. We had learned that the oil is used in many supermarket products from ice cream to shampoo and is a major contributor to deforestation.

After crossing the wobbly bridge, we cooled ourselves in front of the waterfall and took in the amazing views from high up in the canopy. We stopped to sketch and then headed back to the Core for a late lunch and a well-deserved play in the playground.

We were very proud of the children's behaviour, they listened well, were polite and a credit to the school. One group of visitors commented on how lovely it was to see such "engaged and enthusiastic young people."

As we had learned that **an area of rainforest, the size of the rainforest biome at Eden is destroyed every 11 seconds**, the children now aim to raise awareness by designing posters and writing letters to the environment minister of Brazil.

A huge thank you to Mrs Duncan and Mrs Jones for volunteering and to the parents for supporting with payment for the trip.



## Raffle Tickets for PTA Summer Fete:

The PTA are in need of raffle prizes for the upcoming summer fete on **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June!** If you have any donations or can offer anything that would make a wonderful prize, please drop into the office. Many thanks for your continued support.

## Helston Football Club:

Helston Football Club are currently looking for new players to join their U11 Sharks team as they prepare to transition to 11-a-side football next season. This opportunity is aimed at children currently in Year 6 who will be moving into Year 7 in September.

Helston AFC Youth offers a welcoming and supportive environment, with a strong focus on development, teamwork and enjoyment, alongside playing in a competitive league. Training takes place on Saturdays from 9:00-10:30am.

## Year 6 SATs Breakfast Club:

We will be running a free SATs breakfast club from Monday - Thursday during SATs week (11<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> May) at 8.20am for all Year 6 children.

This year, bacon baps have been added to the menu. We encourage all Y6 pupils to attend.

## 2026/27 Term Dates:

**Autumn Term:** Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Sept – Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Dec

- **Half-term:** 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct – 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov (includes inset days)

**Spring Term:** Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Jan – Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> Mar

- **Half-term:** 15<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> Feb

**Summer Term:** Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Apr – Weds 21<sup>st</sup> July

- **Half-term:** 29<sup>th</sup> May – 6<sup>th</sup> June

## Inset Days:

- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2026
- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2026
- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2026
- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2026
- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2027
- Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2027
- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2027

## Helston & Mullion XC League 2025/26

### Results (after 3 events)



Overall League			Weighted League (Average points per pupil on role in KS2)		
POSITION	SCHOOL	POINTS	POSITION	SCHOOL	POINTS
1 <sup>st</sup>	Parc Eglos	6019	1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Godolphin</b>	<b>118.6</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Godolphin</b>	<b>4390</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wendron	54.1
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Wendron	3409	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Garras	30.3
4 <sup>th</sup>	Nansloe	2581	4 <sup>th</sup>	Parc Eglos	26.5
5 <sup>th</sup>	St Michael's	1972	5 <sup>th</sup>	Sithney	26.1
6 <sup>th</sup>	Porthleven	1571	6 <sup>th</sup>	Nansloe	23.3
7 <sup>th</sup>	Mullion	1309	7 <sup>th</sup>	Landewednack	19.8
8 <sup>th</sup>	Garras	1032	8 <sup>th</sup>	Mullion	14.9
9 <sup>th</sup>	Sithney	1016.8	9 <sup>th</sup>	Porthleven	14.3
10 <sup>th</sup>	Landewednack	833	10 <sup>th</sup>	St Michaels	10.0

#### Next events:

- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April – League match 4 (KS1 & KS2) – Mullion Comp 4pm
- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May – League match 5 (KS1 & KS2) – Helston (South Site) 4pm
- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June – League match 6 (KS2 only) – Mullion Comp 4pm
- Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June – Fun relays and league presentation (KS2) – HCC (North Site) 4pm

**PAPAYA**

# Let's talk about our kids and their tech

ONLINE PARENT TALK WITH NICOLA:

CORNWALL SCHOOLS PARENT TALK  
MONDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2026 – 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM



JOINING LINK:

[ACCESS VIA THE TEAMS LINK HERE](#)



Nicola  
MacDonald

Nicola MacDonald is a Resilience Coach and Author of the non-fiction book, *Resilient Teen*. She is the Founder of My Resilient Mind and Co-Founder of The Digital Detox Club. She runs resilience workshops and talks for schools, parents, and adults in the workplace. She specialises in mindfulness, tech addiction, youth mental health and conscious parenting.

Nicola is an empowering and uplifting speaker who shares her knowledge in a non-judgemental way linking to her own experiences of parenthood and her own previous struggles with teen anxiety.

**PAPAYA**

## Helping families to thrive in a digital age

Parenting in the **digital age** has never been more complex, with issues surrounding screen time, social media use, and gaming.

Many parents are concerned about their children's mental health, especially the impact of screens on it.

In this interactive talk, Nicola unpacks some of the **complex issues** surrounding smartphone use and, in a **non-judgmental** manner, aims to help you find solutions that work for your family.

## Topics

- The link between mental health and wellbeing and spending too much time online
- Strategies for delaying the smartphone
- Strategies for families to achieve a healthy balance with technology
- Question and discussion time

*"The talk is so relevant, full of insight and eye-opening. You will walk away inspired to connect, reflect, and find out more. I highly recommend it."*

— Claire Curtis, parent and SFC volunteer.

To access the link please click [here](#).

### No Nuts!:

We have a child on roll with a severe nut allergy. **Therefore, please could we request that children do not bring any food items into school which contain nuts.**

**THE INVADER IS COMING!**  
**TOM PALMER**

**REPORT TO YOUR LIBRARY!**

**LIBRARY INVASION**  
OF CORNWALL LIBRARIES

30 MINUTE ACTION-PACKED TALK WITH  
BEST SELLING AUTHOR TOM PALMER

**FREE SIGNED BOOK FOR THE FIRST 5 FAMILIES!**

**IDEAL FOR AGES 7+**

Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> May | 10am Hayle | 11.30 am Camborne | 1pm Redruth  
Tues 26<sup>th</sup> May | 10am Bodmin | 11.30am Wadebridge | 2.30 pm Camelford  
Weds 27<sup>th</sup> May | 10.30am St Columb | 11.45am Newquay | 1pm Perranporth | 2.30pm St Agnes  
Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> May | 10am St Ives | 11.30am Penzance | 1pm St Just  
Fri 29<sup>th</sup> May | 10am Helston | 11.30am Falmouth | 1pm Penryn | 2.30pm Truro  
Sat 30<sup>th</sup> May | 9am Lostwithiel | 10.15am Fowey | 11.45am St Austell  
Mon 1<sup>st</sup> June | 11.30am Liskeard | 1pm Saltash | 2.30pm Torpoint  
Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> June | 10am Callington | 11.30am Launceston | 1:30pm Par | Weds 3<sup>rd</sup> June | 1pm Bude

**FREE ENTRY - CHECK WITH YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY FOR BOOKING DETAILS**

CORNWALL COUNCIL  
Libraries

[www.cornwall.gov.uk/library](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/library) Barrington Stoke

ANOTHER AWESOME EVENT BROUGHT TO YOU BY TOMALPTA

FAMILY, FRIENDS AND VILLAGERS WELCOME TO

GODOLPHIN SCHOOL

**Summer fete**

1PM-4 ISH

**SATURDAY 13TH JUNE 2026**

SCHOOL FIELD  
GODOLPHIN CROSS

DOG SHOW  
OLD FASHIONED FAMILY FUN  
RACES AND TUG OF WAR  
REFRESHMENTS  
BOUNCY CASTLES  
FUN STALLS  
ARTY WORKSHOPS  
AWESOME RAFFLE AND LOTS MORE

ALL FUNDS RAISED GO TO THE NEW OUTDOOR CLASSROOM  
BECAUSE OF POOR SIGNAL, THIS IS A CASH OR TOKEN EVENT  
BUY YOUR 'GODOLPHIN POUNDS' TOKENS IN ADVANCE OR ON THE DAY

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IMPROVE YOUR SKILLS  
BE YOUR BEST

SPACES ARE LIMITED - BOOK EARLY TO AVOID MISSING OUT!

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CROFTY

**Parent Governor Vacancy Announcement**

Do you want to help improve the life chances of every child in your school?  
Do you want to help make a difference?  
Are you looking for a new challenge?  
Can you spare some time to help us?

**We are looking for parents to join the existing team of parents, community members and staff who work together as our Local Governance Committee.**

As a governor you can help make a difference to every child in the school – by being a critical friend and both supporting and challenging the school's leadership team to drive school improvement.

You do not need previous experience of governance or education – just the motivation to make a difference and the willingness to commit your time and energy.

The Local Governance Committee meets every half term.

If this sounds like **you** please contact the school office, and they will provide you with further details about the role, and a nomination form. The deadline for nominations is Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April.



## SATURDAY ATHLETICS CLUB

The **Saturday Athletics Club** was formed in 2014 with an aim of providing an opportunity for youngsters to try a range of events within track & field athletics and is open to anyone of any ability from four years of age and up. In September 2022 the Saturday Club became part of the newly formed **Cornwall Athletics Academy** which is fully affiliated to England Athletics and works within their guidelines and recommendations. All our coaches are fully qualified and dedicated to giving the young athletes their very best experience of track & field athletics, building up to the young athletes taking part in organised competitions.

We have a Mini Minors group for 4-7 year olds. The Mini Minors sessions last for one hour where they have fun events. They will then progress into the older groups where the sessions last for two hours. Moving the children up a group is at the discretion of their coach, who will have their best interest at heart.

The sessions will be varied from week to week where participants will learn the basic rules and techniques for each discipline leading on to taking part in our Five Star Challenges, giving them a chance to see how they are improving. This is a points based event which we run about every six weeks, where points are given for each event and added up to obtain a star rating up to a maximum of five stars, leaflets are available in our clubhouse explaining how the Five Star Challenge works.

Depending on weather conditions, youngsters will have a chance to try: the Pole Vault, High Jump, Long Jump, Triple Jump (U15 & up), Javelin, Shot Put, Discus, Hammer (when available) and a range of running Track events such as Sprints, Endurance and Hurdles.

The Saturday Club runs throughout the year, apart from when the track may be booked for other events or in extremely bad weather conditions, which could prove dangerous for us to run the sessions for the athletes. If we have to cancel for any reason we will put out a post on our Facebook page. We would also encourage you to join our FB page to book your child/children in each week on a Tuesday prior to the Saturday sessions.

The Saturday Club operates from the Royal Duchy of Cornwall Track - Carn Brea Leisure Centre, Station Road, Pool, Redruth TR15 3Q5. There is a 'parking eye' in operation, please log your car details inside the Leisure Centre.

Registration starts on Saturday mornings at 10:00 and the sessions finish around 12:30. The training fees are £4.00 for the older children and £2.00 for the Mini Minors. The Mini Minors session runs from 10:30 to 11:30. We have recently started an adult group for parent participation, please ask for details.

**We do not charge a membership fee** - just pay the training fees on the day, by cash or card.

Check out our new website [cornwallathleticsacademy.com](http://cornwallathleticsacademy.com)

Please contact: Nicola Parker 07966 221102 or Ron Hill 07486 050668 for further information

