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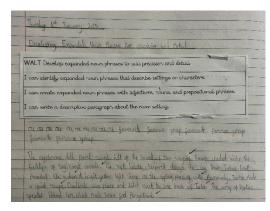
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Dear Parents,

Another amazing week of learning across the school with A Squash and a Squeeze, The Mermaid of Zennor, Tarka the Otter, Shackleton's Antarctic Expedition and Charles Darwin's Diaries driving our writing curriculum and beyond– fabulous stuff!

Neuroplasticity - Exploring Learning and the Power of the Brain in Assembly

This term, our leadership assemblies will develop the incredible power of our brains through the science of **neuroplasticity** and how we learn. Our brains are constantly **growing** and **changing** as they **practise**, **reflect**, and **embrace challenges**. We will explore how **mistakes** are not setbacks but stepping stones to success and how **resilience** and effort help **strengthen** neural connections and **sculpt** our brains. We will understand that learning isn't just about what happens in the classroom but about nurturing a mindset of **growth**, **curiosity**, and **self-belief**. Together, we're celebrating the joy of learning and empowering every child to take charge of their learning journey!







"When neurons fire together – they wire together"

Stars of the Week - Our Ways of Learning

Congratulations as ever to our marvelous children who have all shown what it means to be a learner by demonstrating their Creativity, Reflection, Empathy, Independence, Resilience and Curiosity. Your character shines brilliantly among so many stars, embodying our ways of being **Ready**, **Respectful**, **and Safe – Together**. Well done!

















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Diary dates

WC Monday 27 th January	Year 5 swimming – payment on ParentPay	
Friday 31st January	Year 4 River Strat Walk	
Monday 3 rd February	Year 4 Plymouth Residential Parent Meeting	
Wednesday 5 th February	Year 5 Stargazing – more information to follow	
Thursday 13 th February	End of Spring 1	
Friday 14 th February	Staff inset training day	
Thursday 13 th – Friday 14 th March	Year 4 Plymouth Residential	
Wednesday 21st – Friday 23rd May	Year 5 Carnyorth Residential	
Wednesday 2 nd – Friday 4 th July	Year 6 Bristol Residential	





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Free School Meals and Pupil Premium Application



Free School Meals provide children with a <u>healthy, nutritious meal</u> each day, supporting their concentration, learning, and overall well-being.

Our <u>Pupil Premium Strategy</u> aims to overcome barriers faced by disadvantaged pupils, fostering equity, excellence, and opportunity for all, ensuring every pupil reaches their full potential, regardless of background.

Children may be entitled to Free School Meals and Pupil Premium if their families receive one or more of the following qualifying benefits:

- Universal Credit
- Income Support.
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance.
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance.
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit.
- Child Tax Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on

Families meeting these criteria are encouraged to apply.

Apply for Free School Meals using the <u>Application for Free School Meals and Pupil Premium</u>. Alternatively, if you need a paper copy of the application form please pop into the office or speak to **Emma Thomas** on 07772296182.





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Spring 1 PE days

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 4	Year 3	Рорру	Year 3	Poppy
Year 5		Year 6	Year 4	Year 5
			Year 6 -	Year 6 -
			Duckpool	Summerleaze



