## **Embracing Community, Shaping Futures**

## School Bulletin Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2025

Well that was some week! When we applied to be an early adopter school for the funded breakfast club it is fair to say that I was unaware of the attention it would draw. Our visits from MP's and BBC filming extends into next week with a call to the Department for Education. Luxulyan has definitely been on the map. Most importantly, I was so pleased to hear of the financial and general lifestyle benefits the scheme is affording our community.

A huge thanks to those parents and carers who turned up for the forum on Wednesday. I really appreciate your support and the level of interest and questioning that took place.

The sun is shining as I write and we have a bank holiday ahead of us. I hope you all have a wonderful time.

**Mr Cooper** 

#### Attendance: 28th April – 2nd May - Whole School 97.2%

For all CELT schools this attendance threshold is set at 96% in line with national attendance data.						
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96.9%	98.1%	96%	98.1%			
	our support in ensuring yo educational opportunities		regularly and therefore oint winners- <b>Beech and</b>			

Congratulation	ns to our Celebration Award Winners
Ash	Star of the week – Bogdan H
	Superstar Learner – Louie K
Beech	Star of the week – Marlee B
	Superstar Learner – Finn C
Sycamore	Star of the week – Jude G
-	Superstar Learner – Elizabeth W
Opti	Star of the week – Rupert D
Oak	Superstar Learner – Caleb K

#### Wraparound Clubs

A reminder to please book wraparound clubs by the **THURSDAY for the following week**.

Also please make sure that you have pre-paid for clubs.



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#### <u>Go Cornish</u>

This week our words/phrases have been:

Ash and Beech	Oak and Sycamore
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(pronounced ploo-ven)	(pronounced say-tek)
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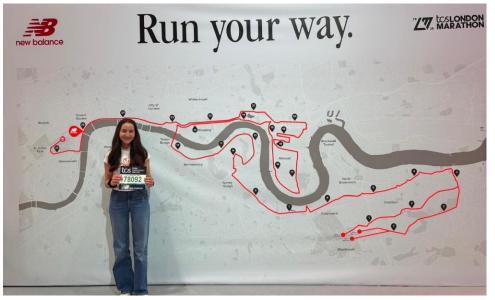
Oll an gwella/All the best Kryw Kernewek

#### A Message from the Cornwall Heritage Trust

Your child will be attending a lantern making workshop on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May, at school, with Caroline from the Cornwall Heritage Trust (CHT).

This year, CHT are celebrating 40 years and we're lighting a beacon at each of our 16 sites as part of our birthday celebrations.

On Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> May we have a free family nature activity day at Treffry Viaduct and we hope that you might be able to join us during the day and/or bring your lanterns along to the Beacon Lighting at 4pm to help us celebrate our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. There will be cupcakes and refreshments.



#### Marathon Success!

Our lovely Miss Soper run the London Marathon last Sunday and raised nearly £4,000 for The Children's Hospice.

We are so proud of her!



## What's been happening in school this week?















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#### Year 6 - Key Stage 2 Assessments SATS

Since our return after the Spring term, Oak Class have been working really hard in preparation for the end of Key Stage 2 assessments and they should be very proud of the sensible and positive approach that they have taken to their learning. From Monday 12th May to Thursday 15th May, Year 6 will be taking their KS2 SATS tests.

All tests will take place in the morning, and the dates for each test are as follows:

Monday 12th May	Grammar, punctuation and spelling.				
Tuesday 13th May	Reading comprehension				
Wednesday 14th May	Mathematics: Arithmetic Mathematics: Reasoning paper 2				
Thursday 15th May	Mathematics: Reasoning paper 3				

Each morning of the SATs we will be running a breakfast club in the hall for Year 6 pupils, which will start at 8.15am to help prepare and relax the children. This will include cereal, toast and squash – a great way to start the day! Members of staff will be there to make sure children feel ready for the test that day.

The weekend before the tests, please support your child to relax. Make sure that they have an early night and feel fully rested for the week ahead.

The SATs are a snapshot of what your child has learnt in primary school and the results depend on how well they perform on the day. But as the teachers that work with your children, we can honestly say that each and every child has made fantastic progress this academic year. We are proud of the hard work and resilience they have shown in preparing for the tests.

If you have any questions or need further clarification, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of staff.

#### **Breakfast Club**

Bookings are now open for the new breakfast club offer. Please make sure that they are booked and paid for on Parentpay by Thursday of the week before as staffing levels are crucial to the success of this new venture.

The club will run from 8:00am to 8:40am with 8:10 – 8:40am being the free, government funded part of it. Should you wish to attend from 8:00am there will be a small charge of  $\pm 1.10$  for those first 10 minutes.

#### Warm Weather

We are really looking forward to the thought of some lovely weather this week and so we just want to remind you about sun safety precautions.

Please make sure your child brings a drink bottle and cap/sun hat to school every day. Sun cream - we would recommend that you apply an 8 hour sun cream before your child comes to school. If you choose to send your child with sun cream to reapply at lunchtime please note that they will be responsible for looking after it (kept in book bags) and applying it. Children have to apply any sun cream themselves so roll on is therefore the best option. We will of course remind children about applying sun cream, wearing caps and drinking plenty.



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#### Information letter to all parents

Whole School Warning Letter regarding unauthorised leave of absence (holidays)

Dear Parent/Carer

Here at Luxulyan School we recognise that there are occasions when it is appropriate to authorise an absence, such as when a pupil is genuinely too ill to attend school, has a medical appointment that cannot be taken outside of school hours or a request for leave has been agreed in exceptional circumstances. However, the Government does not support parents taking children out of school unless the school agrees this is appropriate under 'exceptional circumstances'. Any request for leave should be made in writing to the Headteacher using the school's request form.

If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £80 if paid within 21 days or £160 if paid after this but within 28 days. If your child is further absent from school without authorisation within any 3- year period, you will be committing a further offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices for a second offence are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of  $\pm 160$ , payable within 28 days. Importantly, fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action such as a parenting order or prosecution will be considered. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may also result in legal action. If you are prosecuted and attend court because your child has not been attending school, you could get a fine of up to £2,500. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs. Absence not authorised by the school may also result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Again, Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs. Money raised from fines is only used by the local authority to cover the costs of administering the system, and to fund attendance support. Any extra money is returned to the government.

'Parent' as set out in Section 576 of the Education Act 1996, defines parent to include: natural parents, whether they are married or not; any person or body who has parental responsibility for a child (as defined by the Children Act 1989) and; any person who, although not a natural parent, has care of a child. Having care of a child means a person with whom a child lives and who looks after a child, irrespective of what their relationship is with said child.

You are welcome to contact the school to discuss any concerns you may have regarding this or if you feel you would like advice or support in helping your child attend more regularly. {Enter school name} is committed to enabling every child to reach their full potential and aims to work with parents to ensure this can be achieved.

Yours sincerely

Nathan Cooper - Headteacher



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# Term Dates 2025-26

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School day - schools are open to pupils

Staff INSET training - closed to pupils

School holiday - closed to pupils



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	Dates for your Calendar
	Summer Term 2025
7 <sup>th</sup> April - 21 <sup>st</sup> April	EASTER HOLIDAY
Week beginning 28 <sup>th</sup> April	After School Clubs begin
29 <sup>th</sup> April	Sycamore Class – Trip to Carnglaze Caverns
30 <sup>th</sup> April	Parent Forum - 3.15pm Hall/Classrooms
12 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATS WEEK
20 <sup>th</sup> May	Lantern Making Workshop – Cornwall Heritage Trust
26 <sup>th</sup> May - 30 <sup>th</sup> May	HALF TERM
June 6th	Community Cohesion Day – <u>school closed</u>
11 <sup>th</sup> June – 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 & 6 residential to Barton Hall
20 <sup>th</sup> June and 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	INSET days – <u>school closed</u>
7 <sup>th</sup> July - 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 3 & 4 residential to Camp Kernow
25th July	Last Day of Term