



# Newquay Primary Academy

## NEWS BULLETIN

### HIGHLIGHTS

#### Joshua Class visit Pendennis

Joshua Class enjoyed an amazing day out at Pendennis Castle, a trip that has quickly become a firm favourite in our school calendar. The children were thrilled to explore a real castle and see first-hand the historical features they have been learning about in class, including moats, drawbridges, and towering battlements. Their enthusiasm and curiosity made the day truly special, and it was wonderful to see their classroom learning come to life in such an inspiring setting. Thank you to all of our parent volunteers who made the trip possible!



## A message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can hardly believe how quickly time is racing by this term. We have already almost completed two terms of this academic year, and it feels as though the weeks are passing in no time at all.



I have particularly enjoyed spending time outside at breaktimes and lunchtimes recently. It is a pleasure to see the children playing so well together, showing kindness, cooperation and such positive interactions across all year groups. These moments truly reflect the values we aim to nurture every day. We are keeping our fingers crossed that the drier weather will mean that we are able to play on the grass very soon!

We are now rapidly moving towards the end of the spring term, and this marks an important time for teachers to review and reflect on the children's learning. During this period, staff carefully balance making informed judgements across curriculum subjects, while also taking the opportunity to celebrate all that has been achieved over the course of the term. It is always rewarding to recognise the progress the children have made, both academically and personally.

As we look ahead, I am very much looking forward to the events taking place over the coming weeks. Please do keep an eye on the diary dates section for further information and details of what's to come.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

With best wishes,  
Miss Hildyard

## NSN Events

What a fantastic week of NSN events! We kicked things off by taking a team from Tamar and Severn Class to the KS1 Football Festival, where they played brilliantly and scored some fantastic goals. It was especially lovely to see some initially nervous children grow in confidence and really get stuck in. We then took a team of 12 children from Shannon and Trent to compete in a tag rugby event against other schools. They worked incredibly well together, showing great teamwork and determination, particularly as some were completely new to the sport. To round off the week, Shannon Class demonstrated excellent resilience during the final leg of their cross country race. After tackling previous races in very muddy conditions, it was wonderful to see them enjoy running in the sunshine, completing the challenging distance with smiles on their faces.



## Signs of Spring!

Signs of Spring are all around us! We have loved seeing a bit more sunshine over the last few weeks, getting us excited for the season ahead. Tamar Class took a trip down to Trenance Gardens to look for signs of Spring. During their walk, they spotted beautiful blossom on the trees, bright yellow daffodils, and lots of new buds beginning to grow. The children were especially excited to see all the colourful flowers starting to appear, making it a lovely and uplifting experience for everyone.



## Comic Relief



It was wonderful to see everyone wearing red today in support of Comic Relief. It is an incredible charity that does so much to support people in need. Thank you to everyone who has already donated—your generosity is greatly appreciated. If you would still like to contribute, please follow the link.



[Please click here to donate to Comic Relief](#)

## Sports Day

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**NPA SPORTS DAY**

**FRIDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> JUNE** (Back up date Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June)

More information to follow

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Coming up in the next few weeks...

**JOSHUA CLASS**

Next week Joshua Class will be inspired by the story of the Naughty Bus. They will be making buses, tickets, maps and bus art. They will look at places around Newquay that they can visit, how children around the world get to school and will make a giant bus route outside!

**TAMAR CLASS**

In English, Tamar Class are writing an egg information guide inspired by their class text *The Odd Egg* by Emily Gravett. In maths, they will be starting a new unit on mass and capacity, where the children will have lots of opportunities for hands-on, practical learning. In art, they will be creating their own self-portraits inspired by the artist Paul Klee.

**SEVERN CLASS**

Severn Class have been working creatively and collaboratively. In Art, they will be completing their Great Fire of London artwork, using their developing painting skills to bring the historic scene to life. In Maths, the children are continuing to strengthen their understanding of multiplication and division through a range of engaging activities. In PE, they are enjoying taking part in different games as part of their "Fair, Share, Dare" theme, building teamwork, resilience, and confidence.

**TRENT CLASS**

Trent Class are looking forward to a visit from Healthy Cornwall, who will be leading an engaging PSHE workshop all about our "Amazing Bodies" and how to take care of them. In Geography, pupils will be delving deeper into their learning about agriculture, exploring how the food we eat impacts farming, and comparing sheep farming in Snowdonia with that in Cornwall. In PE, the class will continue developing their skills in striking, reacting and rallying, making the most of the sunshine while putting the new NPA tennis rackets to good use.

**SHANNON CLASS**

Shannon class will be continuing to read their new Writing text "The Iron Man" by Ted Hughes. They will be building towards creating a final outcome of a newspaper report about this mysterious iron man being found on a local beach, which they will then use for their typing skills within ICT to publish on a laptop. Within Science, they will also be looking to conclude their learning around sound by conducting their own experiments into how sounds can become "muffled". Ask your year 4 child to tell you all about the parts of the ear, including what the smallest bone is in the human body ( they are experts!).

## Important Diary Dates

Date	Event	Class
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Rock Steady Concert – 2pm	Rock Steady Pupils
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Shine Time – 2.30pm (parents invited into class)	All classes
Thu 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Newquay Zoo Visit	Joshua Class
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> June	NPA Sports Day – more info to follow	All classes
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Back up Sports Day	All classes
<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April: Last day term</b>		
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April: Start of Summer term</b>		

## PTA Events

### Easter Egg Raffle

The PTA will be raffling off another giant Easter egg this year, courtesy of Kernow Chocolate! This has been a big hit in previous years.

Raffle tickets are available to purchase from the school office or from a member of the PTA on the gate. They will cost £1 per strip, and there will also be some smaller Easter eggs as runner-up prizes.



## Attendance for NPA

	<b>Joshua Class: 99.3%</b> <b>Tamar Class: 96.7%</b> <b>Severn Class: 97.2%</b> <b>Trent: 97.9%</b>		<b>Joshua Class: 96.7%</b> <b>Tamar Class: 94.3%</b> <b>Trent Class: 95.8%</b> <b>Severn Class: 94.4%</b>
	<b>Shannon: 86.7%</b>		<b>Shannon Class: 90.5%</b>

Week of 9<sup>th</sup> March

Week of 2<sup>nd</sup> March

The academy works closely with the Education Welfare Officer to support families who have low attendance figures. When a child's attendance drops below 90% it is identified as 'persistence absence' and the EWO will contact the family to offer support. Please ensure that your child is in school on time. Arrivals after 8.50am are marked as late in the register. Please contact the academy office if any support is required – we are here to help.

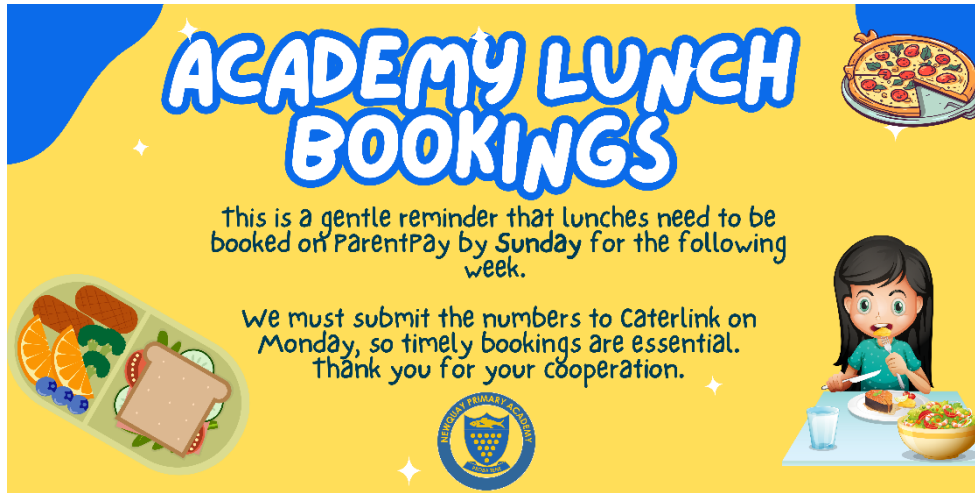
*If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £80 if paid within 21 days or £160 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may result in legal action. Absence not authorised by the school may 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. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court. Please see our website for more information on our attendance policy:*

[Newquay Primary Academy - Attendance](#)

## Office Opening Hours

The academy office opening hours are 8.00am until 3.30pm Monday to Friday. If you need to speak to Mrs Payne or Mrs Townley in the office, please contact between these hours.

Our teachers are available at the start and end of the academy day at your child's classroom door, please do not hesitate to talk to them if you have a query.



**ACADEMY LUNCH BOOKINGS**

This is a gentle reminder that lunches need to be booked on ParentPay by Sunday for the following week.

We must submit the numbers to Caterlink on Monday, so timely bookings are essential. Thank you for your cooperation.

NEWQUAY PRIMARY ACADEMY

The poster features a yellow background with a blue wave on the left. It includes illustrations of a pizza, a lunch tray with a sandwich, fruit, and vegetables, and a cartoon girl eating at a table. The school logo is at the bottom center.

## Community News



Easter egg-stravaganza  
7<sup>TH</sup>-18<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
**Easter Trail**

FREE FAMILY EVENT

Help Coco find the missing Easter eggs!

Collect your clue sheet from Newquay Library and Information Service, Marcus Hill, TR7 1BD

Please note: The library is closed on Sundays

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The poster features a white rabbit named Coco holding a basket of colorful Easter eggs in a grassy field. The text is in various colors and fonts, with a purple banner for the main message.



Join the Golden hunt  
7<sup>TH</sup>-18<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

ONLY 50 TO BE FOUND

AN EASTER EGG REWARD IF YOU FIND A MISSING GOLDEN ROCK

Once you have found a rock please return it to the Newquay Library and Information Service on Marcus Hill to claim your reward of an Easter egg.  
Please note: The Library is closed on Sundays

Easter eggs have been kindly donated by Sainsbury's Newquay

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The poster shows a brown rabbit with a backpack on a rocky beach looking out at the sea. A golden rock is visible on the ground. The text is in a mix of cursive and bold fonts.

KILLACOURT, NEWQUAY  
**SATURDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**  
 10am - 4pm

**FREE FAMILY EVENT**

**Easter Egg-Stravaganza**

Easter Egg Hunt • Easter Trail  
 Kids Disco • Face Painter  
 Mini Fairground Rides • Storytelling

SCAN FOR DETAILS AND MORE EVENTS

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**MHST Wild Wellbeing**

MHST, in collaboration with Natural England, Cornwall Wildlife Trust and National Trust, would like you to join us on a **FREE Wild Wellbeing session** in Cornwall.

This is for parents and children aged 5-12 in Cornwall to help understand and support emotional and mental wellbeing.  
 Please book **EACH** child on to a session

**EXTRA SITES!!!** Each session will last approx. 2 hours

**ALERT!**

**Locations and dates:**

- 07 April - Golitha Falls
- 07 April - The Gardeners House, Penzance
- 07 April - Lanhydrock House
- 14 & 15 April - Penrose Estate
- 16 April - St Ives Community Orchard
- 16 April - Tehidy Woods

All sessions will begin at 10am. Please wear weather appropriate clothing!

To request a place, complete the online form  
<https://forms.office.com/e/CdbKBnMH0q>

Scan to sign up

Please be aware that spaces are limited and assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. If you cannot attend after being allocated a place, inform us so we can give your spot to someone else.

Follow us on Facebook for updates and upcoming events:  
**Cornwall Mental Health Support Team (MHST)**

**TIME MOVE Holiday Programme**

**EASTER 2026**

- Activities including water sports, forest schools, circus skills, day trips and lots more - for children aged 5 to 16
- Every session includes a healthy meal for all children
- Funded places for ALL children eligible for benefits related free school meals

Activities are taking place across Cornwall during the Easter holidays from 6<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Scan here to book!

[www.activecornwall.org/T2MHolidayProgramme](http://www.activecornwall.org/T2MHolidayProgramme)  
[Time2Move.HolidayProgramme@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:Time2Move.HolidayProgramme@cornwall.gov.uk)



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**April 2026 Timetable**

All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long  
**£24 each or FREE with School Membership**  
 Book online at [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)  
 Recordings available for 48 hours

Understanding Anger	6 April 10am
School Anxiety	6 April 7pm
Facing Defiance	7 April 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	7 April 7pm
Anxiety Explained	13 April 10am
Cannabis and Ketamine Awareness	13 April 7pm
Introduction to OCD	14 April 10am
What is ACT?	14 April 7pm
Decreasing Depression	20 April 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	20 April 7pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	21 April 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	21 April 7pm
<b>FREE Decreasing Depression</b>	<b>23 April 7-8pm</b>
Improving Family Communication	27 April 10am
Autism: Improving Communication	27 April 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	28 April 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	28 April 7pm