

# **Mount Hawke Academy**

Head of School: Miss C Biddick

24.2.23



Dear Families

Welcome back to the second half of the school year. We all hope that you had a relaxing and enjoyable half term. It is always a lovely time of the year, with hints of spring appearing. We were delighted to have most of our Reading Shed delivered over the holiday – with just a few internal bits to add, we hope to have it open soon. Our playground shelter has been constructed too. A huge thank you to everyone for supporting FOMHS – every bit of fundraising goes towards these extras to make our school even more special.

Thank you for all your support in making sure that the children are coming to school on time. I think the lighter mornings are making it a bit easier for everyone! Remember that our gates open at 8.30 am and close at 8.45 am, when registers are taken and the day's learning begins.

Sustrans and Cornwall Council have been looking at how we can improve access to our school, making it safer and more environmentally friendly at drop off and pick up. We hope to share more information about this soon. In the meantime, please remember that our Drop Off Zone is for dropping off, so please do not stop and get out of the car here – say your goodbyes before this and once the children have got out of the car safely, please drive straight off.

#### Consultations

Thank you for taking the time to respond to our consultations on school uniform and a possible nursery class. We will update you on both consultations as soon as we can.

#### Celebrations

Today saw a lovely end to the month – our Superstar Assembly. The parents of the children named below have already had a letter, telling them that their child has been noticed for going above and beyond in all that they do and we are giving them a Book Token too to help them buy a book of their choice

This is to say a huge THANK YOU and WELL DONE for all that our Superstars do, from everyone at school.

Class	Superstar
Mousehole KP	Diggory
Mousehole LC	Alfrieda
Godrevy	Myah
Longships	Hettie
Pendeen	Jude
Carne	Ταο
Gwithian	Lulu
Lamorna	Во
Allen	Mali
Kenwyn	Noah W
Truro	Albie

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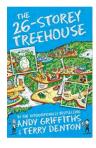
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### Science Challenge

Last call for our February Challenge of Balloon Car Racers! A little activity to introduce or reinforce forces. How is the car moving? Why is the car moving? How could we make the car move further? Have fun! <u>Balloon Car Racers | Playtime Learning |</u> (masandpas.com)



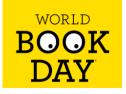
### Book Recommendation

Written by Alex in Carne Class

Title: The 26 Storey Treehouse Author: Andy Griffiths This series of books are very funny because they always do silly things. My favourite character is Terry because he makes me laugh. Once he tried to wash his underpants in the shark pool! There are 17 more books in the series. I am recommending this book because it is the funniest book I have ever read. The age who would probably like it is 6-12. One of my favourite parts is when Jill (the animal lover) said she hated spiders, "Even spiders don't even like spiders!" said Jill.

### World Book Day

We are celebrating World Book Day on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March and would love to see the children sharing something that they have completed off the World Book Day ideas poster that is attached to this newsletter. These ideas have been suggested by, and shared with, the children in school already and the children have already been given their World Book Day book voucher too. Happy reading!



#### Social Media

Remember that we are on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram</u> and following our accounts will give you a great insight into everyday life in school.

#### Communications

Remember to use the email <u>hello@mounthawke.org</u> or phone 01209 890230 if you need to speak to one of us, let us know about something or share something with us. Miss Biddick is usually on the gate every morning and afternoon too.

All of us here at school would like to wish you a very happy and safe weekend.

Dates

Term Dates	
Spring Term	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January to Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March
Half Term	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> February to Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February
Parent Consultation Evenings – Week beginning 20 <sup>th</sup> March – more information to follow	

Summer Term	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April to Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> July
Half Term	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May to Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June
Bank Holiday	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May
The King's Coronation	n Bank Holiday Monday 8th May

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#### Training Days for 2022-2023

The additional closure days for staff training for 2022-2023 are:

- 5th September 2022
- 6th September 2022
- 21st October 2022
- 3rd January 2023
- 10th February 2023



#### Possible Nursery Class at MHA

At Mount Hawke we thrive to deliver high quality childcare and education within our local community. We are currently a school funded to take children from the ages of 4-11 and therefore take admissions from Reception through to Year 6 children. We are fortunate enough to have the capacity to increase

our intake and are currently investigating the potential of adding a nursery setting for rising 3's, 3 year olds and 4 year olds. The aim of this move is to provide greater educational opportunities for our children with an enhanced transition between the nursery and the school. We also envisage this will have additional benefits from feeling part of our school community from a younger age and will provide greater consistency for our parents and families.

We would like your feedback on this proposal and for us to submit an application to the Department of Education to change our funding agreement to cover the ages of 2-11 years. A four-week consultation process started on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023 and ends on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023. We invite you to request a phone call or meeting if you would like to discuss these proposed changes. Should you not be able to participate in the above and would like to make comments about the proposed change, please send an email to: hello@mounthawke.org

