



Mount Hawke Academy

Head of School: Miss C Biddick

2.5.25

Dear Families

This week our Aspire Education Welfare Officer visited us and looked at our attendance. She was very pleased with how good it is, so thank you very much for making sure that the children attend school regularly and on time. This makes such a difference, supporting everyone to flourish academically and socially.

On Wednesday we had a visit from a representative from the company that is installing our air source heat pump as part of the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme. She met with children and staff and will be sharing what we are achieving here with the Government when she heads back to London, as we are one of the first schools in the country to be taking part in this. Then yesterday, we were visited by Will from Let's Go Zero who is helping us to become as carbon neutral as possible by 2030. Will met with Aspire Academy Trust representatives, children and staff from here and is helping us to develop an action plan to work on, so that we can hit our goals as soon as possible.

Do remember that it's a Bank Holiday on Monday, so we hope that you enjoy the lovely weather and we'll see you back in school on Tuesday 6th May.

Celebrations

We held our Friday Whole School Celebration Assembly today and it was lovely to share the news from each class with everyone and celebrate all the hard work together. All of our children make us very proud each week, and to gain this additional recognition is very special.

Class	Celebration	Achievement
Mousehole	Ottilie	Keirah
Godrevy	Finn	Ocean
Longships	Millie	Eli
Pendeen	Isabella	Jack
Carne	Jago	Freddy
Lamorna	Harley	Joey
Allen	Áine	Jensen
Kenwyn	Hazel	Adam
Truro	Zac	Eliza



My Personal Best Life Skills for next week are...

EYFS and KS1 – Trust
KS2 – Encouragement

We will explore these life skills and link them to our ASPIRE values, encouraging their use in all our activities. You can read more about this here - [My Personal](#)

[Best - Youth Sport Trust](#) and here - [Mount Hawke Academy - Ethos, Aims & Values](#)

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Recommended Read

This week's recommendation is from Longships Class. Talia recommends 'Mog on Fox Night' by Judith Kerr. Talia says "This is a really funny story about a cat called Mog who doesn't want to eat her supper! My favourite part of the story is when three foxes go into the house and make a big mess!"

Science Challenge

Here's May's challenge! Remember to send in photos or videos to hello@mounthawke.org.

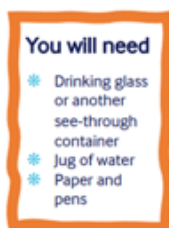
TRY THIS INDOORS ... Confused Fish

Amaze and puzzle your family and friends with this optical illusion! Draw two fish on a piece of paper and prop it up behind an empty drinking glass so that you can see the fish through the glass. Then slowly fill the glass up with water while you watch the fish – what do you see happening?

WHAT DO YOU NOTICE?

Things to talk about ...

What changes about how you see the arrows when you pour water into the container? What happens if you turn the fish so they are pointing upwards? What happens if you use a different glass, or move it nearer to or further from the fish? What happens to writing? Instead of using fish, can you write a word that looks the same when the glass is empty and when you pour water into it? What do you know about how we see objects?



WHAT IS THE SCIENCE?

We see an object because light travels through air from the object to our eye. When the light passes through another material it gets bent; this is called **refraction**. When light passes through the empty glass, it is bent a small amount and the appearance of the fish hardly changes, but when the light also passes through water it is bent so much that the light rays cross over before they reach our eyes. This is why it makes it look as though the fish are swimming in the other direction.

Letting Us Know About Absence

Please tell the school as soon as you can if your child will not be in school that day by emailing hello@mounthawke.org or calling 01209 890230.

If your child is off for more than one day, please contact the school **each day** to explain why—unless you have already told us how long they will be off. When your child is ill, please say what the illness is (like sore throat or chicken pox) instead of just saying they feel "unwell" or "poorly."

Thank you for your help.

Sun Safety

Please remind the children to bring in hats, water bottles and sunscreen (all named please) during the Summer Term. Thank you.



Term Dates

We've attached the term dates for next school year to this newsletter. They are also available on our website - [Mount Hawke Academy - Term Dates](#)

Sports News

We are thrilled to hear that 5 of our old pupils, now in Year 9 at Richard Lander, won the County Football Finals and are now County Champs! Huge congratulations to Tassie, Evalyn, Sylvie, Ailsa and Daisy.

Yesterday our girls' teams played football against Archbishop Benson, showing super teamwork and determination, in the end losing 1-0 in each match. Today a group of Lower Key Stage Two children have travelled into Truro to take part in a football tournament. Good luck!

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School Streets Project

If you have any views or suggestions to make please email MounthawkeSS@sustrans.org.uk or for more information, or to provide feedback to Cornwall Council, please follow this link: <https://letstalk.cornwall.gov.uk/mount-hawke-academy>

Communications

Remember to use the email hello@mounthawke.org 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.

Here are our dates for the rest of the school year. We hope that we won't have to change any, but we will give you as much notice as possible if we have to.

MHA Calendar	
Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday – school closed
12 th – 15 th May	Y6 SATs week
26 th May – 30 th May	Half Term
2 nd June – 13 th June	Y4 Multiplication Check
9 th June – 13 th June	Y1 Phonics Screening Check
Tuesday 17 th June	Whole School & Class Photos
23 rd June – 27 th June	Celebration Week – Mount Hawke at 150 years – more details to follow
Friday 27 th June	Open Classroom Afternoon – more details to follow
Monday 30 th June	Y5 & Y6 Sports Day – gates open at 1:20pm – please bring a chair or rug to sit on
Tuesday 1 st July	Y3 & Y4 Sports Day – gates open at 1:20pm – please bring a chair or rug to sit on
Wednesday 2 nd July	Y1 & Y2 Sports Day – gates open at 1:20pm – please bring a chair or rug to sit on
Friday 4 th July	YR Sports Day – gates open at 1:20pm – please bring a chair or rug to sit on
Wednesday 23 rd July	Y6 Leavers' Assembly 9am Break Up for Summer Holidays 3:15pm / Playzone until 5:00pm

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