



Mount Hawke Academy

Head of School: Miss C Biddick

24.5.24

Dear Families

It was great to see so many of you in school on Tuesday. We hope that you found Mr Hill's information session useful and have explored the presentation that we sent out. We also hope that you enjoyed spending time sharing your child's learning from the year so far. The pride that everyone takes in their work is plain to see and we are so proud of all of our children and the amount of learning they take from every day.

On Wednesday, Claire and Tash (two of our cooks from Aspens) came out from the kitchen and spent a super session baking biscuits with Mousehole Class. Everyone had a great time, mixing and shaping, and eating! Thank you Claire and Tash.

Yesterday, Miss Biddick met with our Education Welfare Officer from Cornwall Council to look at each child's attendance. Our whole school attendance is at the national average of just over 94%, but it can be better than this by ensuring that children are in school regularly and on time. Remember that gates close at 8:45 am after opening at 8:30 am. Let's get this percentage up after half-term.



My Personal Best Life Skills for the week after half-term are...

EYFS and KS1 – Responsibility
KS2 – Resilience

We will explore these skills and encourage their use in all our activities.
You can read more about this here - [My Personal Best - Youth Sport Trust](#)

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	Jude
Godrevy	James
Longships	Benji C
Pendeen	Ama
Carne	Rosie
Gwithian	
Lamorna	Adam
Allen	Hazel
Kenwyn	Flynn
Truro	Noah R

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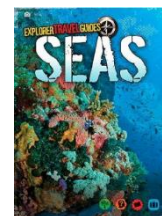
Careers and Future Aspirations

We are at the point in the school year when we work with our Year Five and Six children to think about what their futures may hold. We would love to hear from you if you would be able to come in and talk about your job to our oldest children, helping to make them more aware of the variety of careers that are out there. If you can spare just half an hour (or less / more) to help inspire our next generation, please let us know. Thank you to those parents who have already contacted us – we will arrange dates and times to suit you.

Recommended Read

This week's recommendation is from Rosie in Carne Class...

'I love reading non-fiction books about the ocean as I want to be a marine biologist when I am older. I am currently reading 'Explorer Travel Guides: Seas' from the school library. I really enjoy reading all of the facts, one of my favourite facts is that the giant blue whale can be 30 metres long and weigh as much as 20 elephants!'



Science Challenge

Here are the latest Science challenges...have fun!

COLOURFUL SKITTLES

You'll need

Skittles
White plate
Warm water



Instructions

Place the skittles around the edge of the plate.

Carefully pour warm water over the top.

Watch as the colours spread through the water!

What's happening?
Skittles are coated in food colouring and sugar. When you pour water over the skittles the coloured coating dissolves and diffuses through the water.

Now try with cold water. What happens?

WHICH SOLIDS DISSOLVE IN WATER?

November 17, 2013 By [Science Resources To Go](#)

Today's experiment is very simple but hopefully fascinating for even very young children. We're going to investigate **which solids dissolve in water**.

When a substance **dissolves** in water, you can't see it anymore. It's still there but has mixed with the water to make a transparent liquid called a **solution**.

YOU'LL NEED

- Transparent containers - **includes or excludes**
- Water (warm and cold)
- Substances to try to dissolve, e.g. sugar, coffee, pepper, sand, flour, salt

INSTRUCTIONS

Add a teaspoon of whichever solid you are testing to a glass of cold water and a glass of warm water. Stir and observe the difference.

Watch to see if the solid dissolves in warm and cold water and if one is better than the other.

Remember to use the same amount of each solid and the same amount of cold and warm water to make the investigation a **fair test**.

We call substances that dissolve in water **soluble**. Sugar and salt are examples of soluble substances.

Substances that do not dissolve in water are called **insoluble**. Sand and flour are examples of insoluble substances.

Remember to send in photos or videos to hello@mounthawke.org.

Sports News

Today, a group of our older children have headed off to Penryn to take part in a tennis tournament. Summer is definitely coming!

One new sport that some of our children have been learning in school is Ultimate Frisbee. This is one of our new ways of teaching throwing and fielding skills and is thoroughly enjoyable.

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.

All of us here at school would like to wish you a very happy and safe weekend and a super half term. May the sun shine!

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Term Dates for the Summer Term

Here are our key plans for the Summer Term so far. If we have to change any dates, we will let you know as soon as possible:



- Half Term – 27th May – 31st May
- Y4 Multiplication Check – 3rd June – 21st June
- Fieldwork Fortnight – 3rd June – 14th June
- Phonics Screening – w/c Monday 10th June
- Sports Day Y5 & Y6 – Monday 17th June
- Sports Day Y3 & Y4 – Tuesday 18th June
- Sports Day YR – Thursday 20th June
- Sports Day Y1 & Y2 – Friday 21st June
- Celebration Week – week beginning 8th July – Future Aspirations / Science Week
- Break up – Wednesday 24th July – Leaver Assembly for Y6 9am

Mount Hawke Academy – Term Dates 2023-2024

September 2023 Mon 4 11 18 25 Tue 5 12 19 26 Wed 6 13 20 27 Thurs 7 14 21 28 Fri 1 8 15 22 29 Sat 2 9 16 23 30 Sun 3 10 17 24 31	October 2023 Mon 2 9 16 23 30 Tue 3 10 17 24 31 Wed 4 11 18 25 Thurs 5 12 19 26 Fri 6 13 20 27 Sat 7 14 21 28 Sun 1 8 15 22 29	November 2023 Mon 6 13 20 27 Tue 7 14 21 28 Wed 1 8 15 22 29 Thurs 2 9 16 23 30 Fri 3 10 17 24 Sat 4 11 18 25 Sun 5 12 19 26
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School holidays

Bank holidays	
Christmas Day	25 December 2023
Boxing Day	26 December 2023
New Years Day	01 January 2024
Good Friday	29 March 2024
Easter Monday	01 April 2024
May Bank Holiday	06 May 2024
Spring Bank Holiday	27 May 2024
Summer Bank Holiday	26 August 2024

AUTUMN TERM (72 days)

4 September - 19 December 2023
(HALF TERM 23-27 October 2023)


SPRING TERM (56 days)

4 January - 28 March 2024
(HALF TERM 12-16 February 2024)

SUMMER TERM (67 days)

15 April - 24 July 2024
(HALF TERM 27-31 May 2024)

195 days are on the school calendar. School will be open to pupils for 190 days. The five additional days are allotted for staff training.

 **Training Days – school closed for children:**

- 4th September 2023
- 5th September 2023
- 20th October 2023
- 9th February 2024
- 28th March 2024

Please book holidays in school holidays – thank you.

Children are in school for 190 days a year – this leaves 175 days for holidays.

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Tue	3	10	17	24		
Wed	4	11	18	25		
Thurs	5	12	19	26		
Fri	6	13	20	27		
Sat	7	14	21	28		
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

October 2024						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24	31	
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
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November 2024						
Mon			4	11	18	25
Tue			5	12	19	26
Wed			6	13	20	27
Thurs			7	14	21	28
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December 2024						
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January 2025						
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February 2025						
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July 2025						
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August 2025						
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AUTUMN TERM (74 days)

3 September - 20 December 2024
(HALF TERM 28 October - 1 November 2024)

SPRING TERM (60 days)

6 January - 4 April 2025
(HALF TERM 17-21 February 2025)

SUMMER TERM (61 days)

22 April - 23 July 2025
(HALF TERM 26-30 May 2025)

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