

### Friday 28th February 2025



#### Dear Families,

#### **Wadebridge Speech and Music Festival**

We are very excited to be taking the children to the **Wadebridge Speech and Music Festival.** Throughout the week, we have children representing Port Isaac Academy in both group and individual categories for speech and music. Today, your child has received a paper copy of the essential information for anyone who wishes to come and watch from the Wadebridge Festival organisers.

At Port Isaac Academy, we strongly believe in providing our children with a **wide variety of experiences** to help them develop key life skills for their future. **Communication skills and the ability to articulate thoughts clearly are essential**, and we want our children to experience this competition and take pride in representing their school.

I understand that some parents have raised concerns about their children feeling anxious about attending and that some may be hesitant to participate. The children have been rehearsing in school, and I have spoken with them about the values of **community, joy, and resilience**—qualities we are championing through our participation. They have had fun learning their poems, and I really appreciate your support in encouraging them to step out of their comfort zone and take part with their class. To help with this, I have recorded their choral poems so they can watch and rehearse over the weekend.

I also recognise that **transport is a significant challenge** for many families. As a school, we rely on the goodwill of our families to support us in ensuring children can access a variety of experiences, such as sports events, Farm and Country Day at the showground, and this festival in Wadebridge. A coach costs us on average £300 a trip and we therefore really appreciate your help in making these opportunities possible.

**Dolphin and Puffin Class: Please return any outstanding letters promptly** so that we can plan appropriately—whether that involves arranging transport with staff or ordering lunches in advance. Miss Horwell has been following up with families today regarding transport and lunch arrangements. If you have room for another child in your car we would really appreciate knowing who could offer another spot.

As a **thank you and well done** to all children who participate, we will be holding a **reward café** when they return to school. They can choose a milkshake or hot chocolate, and a biscuit as a celebration of their efforts and for representing Port Isaac Academy with pride.

#### World Book Day - Thursday 6th March

To celebrate our **love of reading**, we have two exciting events planned for **World Book Day**:

**Dress up** as your favourite book character!

**Book Swap** – Bring a book from home to contribute to our book swap. Everyone who brings a book can take one home in exchange!

We can't wait to see all the fantastic costumes and hear about your favourite characters!





## Week to View from Monday 3rd to Friday 7th March 2025

When	Activity	Location	Who	Parent Action
Monday 3rd	Whole School PE Kit Day Seal Class Choral Speaking Class 20 10:20pm. Meet Miss Young and Mrs Stark at 10am at Wadebridge Town Hall.	School Wadebridge Town Hall	Whole School Seal Class	Your child needs to wear their PE Kit to school.  Transport arrangements as confirmed with Miss Horwell. Help your child to rehearse at the weekend, families are encouraged to come and watch, paper copy of letter sent home on Friday with details.
Tuesday 4th	Puffin & Dolphin Class Choral Speaking Class 20 12:15pm. Leave School at 11:30 and Meet Mrs Dim- mock, Mrs Williams, Miss Horwell and Mrs Daw at 12 midday at Wadebridge Town Hall.	Wadebridge Town Hall	Puffin and Dolphin Class	Transport arrangements as confirmed with Miss Horwell. Help your child to rehearse at the weekend, families are encouraged to come and watch, paper copy of letter sent home on Friday with details.
Wednesday 5th	Whole School PE Kit Day St Piran's Day— Pasty Lunch	School	Whole School	Your child needs to wear their PE Kit to school.  Pasties ordered before half term, packed lunch required if you did not pre-order.
Thursday 6th	World Book Day  Dress Up as a favourite Book Character.  Bring a book from home to swap in school.	School	Whole School	Book Character costume for your child  Send in a book that your child is happy to swap in school.
Friday 7th				





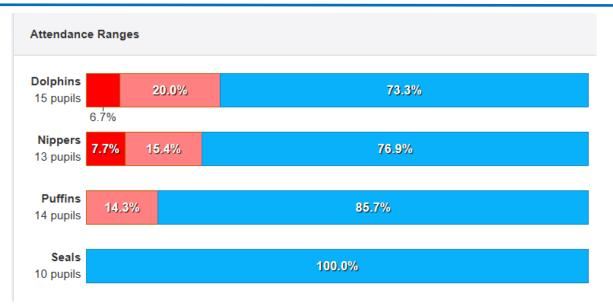
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### Congratulations to our certificate winners this week Perfect Stars of the Week **English Stars Maths Stars** Presentation Seals, Marley Leonard Danny Pups & Darcey **Nippers Puffins** Lizzy Josie Jessica **Dolphins** Sid Sammy Rowan









#### Attendance this week:

Friday 14th to Thursday 27th Feb

### This year so far...

