



Newsletter

Our school vision: to be a caring & loving school where children are equipped to flourish in the real world. We flourish when we help others flourish (Jeremiah 29:4-7)

13th January 2026

Mrs Bungay's Happenings

Dear Parent(s)

Welcome back to Spring Term 2026.

I hope everyone weathered the storm okay - it was certainly the worse I've ever experienced and it's so good to get back to normal. Hopefully you've seen the Arbor in app message and email letting you know that South West Water delivered a lot of bottled water yesterday - please come and help yourself if needed.

Maple Class have had a very enjoyable morning working with Giles Hill, Aspire Digital Lead. They have been doing digital painting on their Chromebooks. Oak Class are working with Giles this afternoon learning about Micro:bits. Photos will be added to Facebook asap.

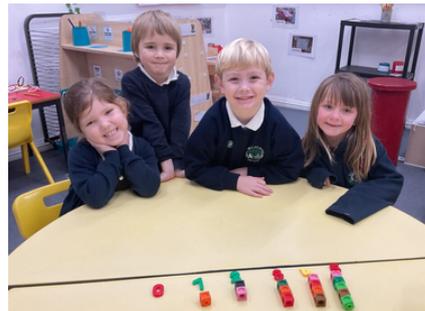
Maple Class will be making rockets in the next few weeks and need some appropriate clean recycling to create their models with. Maple would also appreciate if you have anything suitable for their mud kitchen - old pans, pots, bowls, utensils, spoons, colanders etc. Thank you.

Miss Emma Gager joins us this week and will cover the office each Thursday and Friday from 8.30-11.30am. We extend a warm welcome to Miss Gager and welcome her to #teambreage. Emma has worked in education for a number of years.

Make & Create restarts today and runs from 3.15 to 4pm (please ensure you book in advance on ParentPay). Year 6 booster with Mr Kelly also runs until 4pm. DT Sports Multi-Skills Club starts from tomorrow (3.15-4.15pm). Please ensure a DT consent form is completed in advance if your child is attending. Thank you.

We've had a busy start to the term and we are really looking forward to School Council's first 2026 meeting when they will be sharing the ideas they have for school.

Mrs Bungay



Maple Class have done brilliantly in numeracy.

December attendance:

Whole School: 87.2%
Maple Class: 87.8%
Oak Class: 87%



Friday's Awards

Each week, we celebrate some of our shining stars! These are children who have gone above and beyond—whether through kindness, creativity, hard work, or leadership. Let's cheer them on and be inspired by their example!

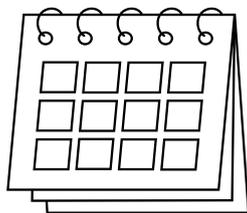
Stars of the week...

Maple Class - 19/12: Hunter
Oak Class - 19/12: James

Gold Awards...

Maple Class - 19/12: Ezra
Oak Class - 19/12: Olivia, Willow & Fleur





Diary Dates



January

- Mon 12 Cornwall Music Service Trust lessons restart
(please see email dated 19/12 for sign up information)
Thurs 15 School Census Day - Aspens Special Menu (please see email sent today)

February

- Tues 3 Bags2 Schools Collection 9.00am
Frid 13 School Inset Day
16-20th February half term break
23-25th Young Voices London Trip
Tues 24 Cross Country League Race 4: Helston South Site: KS2

March

- Tues 5 St Piran's Day & World Book Day

April

- Thurs 2 Easter Service, Breage Church, 2pm
Thurs 23 1.30pm Maple Class start their weekly swimming lessons (5 sessions)
Tues 28 Cross Country League Race 5: R, KS1 & KS2

Find our curriculum on our website:
www.breageschool.org

REGULAR CLUBS

- Tuesday (lunchtime): Happy Me Club KS1 & KS2: 3.15-4.15pm
Tuesday: 3.15-4.00pm: KS1/KS2: Create & Make Club (please book via ParentPay)
Tues: Mr Kelly's Year 6 SATs booster
Weds: PE with DT Sports: All classes
Weds: Mr Kelly's booster club (by invite)
Mon: 11.00am: Cornwall Music Service Trust (sign up: Flute, Saxophone, Clarinet, Keyboard & Ukulele) (spaces available - please see your email inbox)
Weds: 3.15-4.15pm: KS1 & KS2: Multi Skills Club (14/01 to 11/02)
Thursday: 1.30-3.00pm: Stay & Play toddler group: all welcome from birth to 4 years old
Thursday: 3.15-4.15pm: KS1 & KS2: Young Voices Club



Dear Parents/Carer

Department of Education changes to Attendance

Updates to the Department for Education (DfE) statutory guidance on school attendance, most notably around penalty notices issued for absenteeism and irregular school attendance, took effect from this academic year.

As you know, leave during term time cannot be authorised by Heads of School unless there are 'exceptional' circumstances. This is in accordance with the Department for Education (DfE) legislation and the Aspire Attendance Policy.

Before booking leave, we strongly advise you to speak to the Head of School, particularly if you are unsure as to whether your request is deemed 'exceptional'. Where Heads of School are not able to authorise, you may be at risk of a penalty notice, in line with Local Authority guidance.

From this academic year, updated DfE statutory guidance sets out the new National Framework for issuing penalty notices and there are some changes you should be aware of. The penalty notice costs issued by the Local Authority have risen to £80 (if paid within 21 days) increasing to £160 if paid between days 22-28. If the penalty notice is not paid, the Local Authority can consider prosecution under Section 444(1) of the Education Act 1996. Penalty notices are issued on a per parent, per child basis.

IMPORTANT: Individual schools may refer absences to the LA who then issue penalty notices (each case is looked at individually). It is not the school/trust issuing penalty notices to parents, and any monies generated from these fines remain within the Local Authority to provide attendance support.

The government has changed the guidance around how many penalty notices can be issued to a parent. The new guidance states that only 2 penalty notices can be issued to a parent in respect of a particular pupil, within a rolling three-year period.

The first penalty notice costs are as outlined above. If a second penalty notice is issued, this is at a flat rate of £160. A third penalty notice cannot be issued and instead consideration must be given to alternative action, including prosecution.

If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. Your child's school 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.

If your child is further absent from school without authorisation within any 3-year period, you will be committing a further offence under the Education Act 1996. Your child's school 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 for a second offence are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £160, payable within 28 days.

Importantly, fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action such as a parenting order or prosecution will be considered.

Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may also result in legal action. If you are prosecuted and attend court because your child has not been attending school, you could get a fine of up to £2,500. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.

Absence not authorised by the school may also 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. Again, Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.

Money raised from fines is only used by the local authority to cover the costs of administering the system, and to fund attendance support. Any extra money is returned to the government.

'Parent' as set out in Section 576 of the Education Act 1996, defines parent to include: natural parents, whether they are married or not; any person or body who has parental responsibility for a child (as defined by the Children Act 1989) and; any person who, although not a natural parent, has care of a child. Having care of a child means a person with whom a child lives and who looks after a child, irrespective of what their relationship is with said child.

With regards to the day-to-day attendance procedure within your child's school, there will be little noticeable change. If your child is absent for any reason, we will still ask you to contact the school office by 9am and staff will continue to regularly communicate home the importance of attendance, through the school newsletter, letters via email and/or face-to-face conversations.

If you are worried about your child's attendance, please talk to your child's class teacher or the Head of School at the earliest opportunity so we can work with you quickly and effectively to support positive change.

Thank you for your ongoing support

Aspire Admin



Kehelland Trust

EVENTS CALENDAR 2026



Kehelland Trust runs a day service which offers support, development, purposeful activity and independent living for those with disabilities aged 18 and over.

We also provide, a specialised education provision for learners aged 16 to 25 with an EHCP at Kehelland College.



Within our 16 acre site we have horticultural growing spaces for fruit, vegetables, perennials and annuals, Cornish orchards, Community Tree Nursery and wildlife areas.



Our shop in Camborne sells our produce, local & seasonal fruit and veg, organic groceries and environmentally friendly products. Check our website for pop-up events throughout the year.



We also have an on-site plant nursery & small shop



Our facilities are also available for private hire; a beautiful and unique venue for weddings, parties or corporate events. For more information and prices contact: hr@kehellandtrust.org.uk

Occasionally this means our site is closed to the public please check our website and social media before you visit.

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KEHELLAND
CAMBORNE
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Our calendar of events offers a wide range of opportunities for you to visit and explore our unique site



School Holiday Events

Free events for the whole family, bring a picnic; try your hand at a craft activity, take part in a seasonal trail and activities



Seasonal Celebration Events

Celebrate significant dates in our year with us, including Wassail, Apple Day and our Giant Vegetable Show.



Wildlife Events

Join us and local wildlife experts looking at the amazing flora and fauna that we have at Kehelland. Even stay overnight on our beautiful site!



Courses, Workshops and Volunteer days.

Get creative, learn new skills, meet others whilst supporting us with vital work across different areas of our site, from orchards to our Community Tree Nursery & wildlife area

Where to find us

Scan the QR code to find us on Google maps



Kehelland Trust
Kehelland
Camborne
Cornwall
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Facilities

- Large Car Park
- Toilets
- Shop
- Refreshments available
- 16 acres of grounds



www.kehellandtrust.org.uk
Scan QR code to visit our website.





Volunteer Thursdays
Join us every Thursday to lend a hand with seasonal tasks.

Kehelland Ceilidh
with the Kessell Ceilidh Collective.
A monthly, family Ceilidh. Watch our facebook or website for dates.



EVENTS CALENDAR 2026

For times and prices visit our website, Facebook, Instagram or give us a call (01209 613153)

January

- 10th Lantern Workshop**
Come and make a willow and tissue paper lantern to light your way for the Wassail parade.
- 17th Wassail & Back to the Land Day**
An early evening celebration with music, dancing and refreshments. Help us bless our trees Bring your lantern.

February

- 18th Feathered Friends**
It's nest box week so come along and make a nest box for your garden birds. Take part in a birdy trail around our site.
- Winter Pruning Days**
Join our horticulture team every Thursday for pruning & gathering scion wood for grafting.

March

- Mothers Day**
Join us for pop-up activities in our shop & on-site. Check our socials for details or call us.
- Grafting Workshops**
Join our horticulture team every Thursday and learn the art and science of apple tree grafting.

April

- 1st and 8th Easter Events**
Egg related fun for all the family. Craft activities and a seasonal trail.
- From Saturday 18th**
Extended seasonal opening of our Kehelland site shop. Plants, produce and more!

May

- 2nd/3rd Wildlife Discovery Camp**
A one night camp to learn about our resident wildlife.
- 27th Tree-mendous!**
Get to know our trees. Woody crafts and a tree identification trail.

June

- NEW for 2026! PYO**
A new and exciting opportunity to visit our beautiful site at Kehelland and pick your own fresh produce.

Visit our website or facebook page to see what is in season.

July

- 11th/12th Wildlife Discovery Camp**
A one night camp to learn about our resident wildlife.
- 29th July Wasson Wednesday**
Summer trail and craft activity.
- 18th Camborne Show**
Visit our stall at this local event.
www.camborne-show.org.uk

August

- Apple Pressing**
The season for apple pressing begins. Do you have an orchard and an abundance of apples? We can press them for you to create your own apple juice.

For contract presses please contact:
hort@kehellandtrust.org.uk

September

- 3rd, 10th and 17th Summer Pruning**
Join our horticultural team to carry out work on our espalier orchard
- 19th Giant Vegetable Show**
Come and marvel at our magnificent giant vegetables. Enter our competition with your own spectacular specimens.

October

- 10th Apple Day**
Our annual celebration of all things Kehelland!
- 28th Allantide**
Celebrate this Cornish autumn festival. Take part in our Pumpkin trail and other fun activities.

November

- Christmas Trees and Festive Trail**
It's time to choose your Christmas Tree and help plant our new Christmas tree plantation. Have a go at our Christmas Trail.
- Wreath Making**
An opportunity to get in the festive spirit and create a personalised wreath. Dates TBC.

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Why Read at home?

STUDENT A READS

- 20 minutes per day
- 3,600 minutes per school year
- 1,800,000 words per year



SCORES IN THE 90TH
PERCENTILE ON
STANDARDIZED TESTS

STUDENT B READS

- 5 minutes per day
- 900 minutes per school year
- 282,000 words per year



SCORES IN THE 50TH
PERCENTILE ON
STANDARDIZED TESTS

STUDENT C READS

- 1 minute per day
- 180 minutes per school year
- 8,000 words per year



SCORES IN THE 10TH
PERCENTILE ON
STANDARDIZED TESTS

If they start reading for 20 minutes per night in Kindergarten, by the end of 6th grade, Student A will have read for the equivalent of 60 school days, Student B will have read for 12 school days, and Student C will have read for 3.

WANT TO BE A BETTER READER? SIMPLY READ.

www.bettefetter.com