



Mount Hawke Academy

Head of School: Miss C Biddick

19.9.25

Dear Families

Thank you so much for taking the time this week to visit the classrooms. It was great to welcome so many of you into school. We hope that you found it useful to see your child's new learning environment and to meet the teachers properly. Do remember that you are welcome to get in touch with us at any time – either after dismissal at the end of the day or by contacting the office via email or in person so you can arrange to meet your child's teacher.

Today Year Five took part in a workshop in school with [The Stay Safe Initiative](#), taking a full look into the world of bullying, everything from what it is, why it happens, the damage it can cause, all the way through to how to deal with face to face bullying and how to get help. The children learned a lot and showed great maturity as they discussed and explored this topic. This week has also seen the start of our weekly Mental Health Ambassadors work, when our trained Year Six children support younger children in the school. Great work from everyone.

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	Elliot	Lyra
Longships	Ellie	Rory
Pendeen	Cora	Cole
Gwithian	Yzella	Autumn
Carne	Dulcie	Luca
Lamorna	Auren	Theo
Allen	Jess	Edison
Kenwyn	Charlie	Áine
Truro	Tallulah	Louis



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

EYFS and KS1 – Courage
KS2 – Respect

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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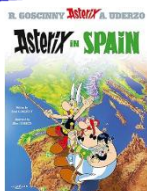
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Recommended Read

This week's read is from Áine in Kenwyn Class and she recommends Asterix in Spain...I like Asterix in Spain because I think the illustrations are amazing. Also, I love how the author has used the old names of all the countries and towns. Will Asterix and Obelix be able to return the Spanish chief's child?

Science Challenge

This month we're exploring light and refraction. Remember to send in photos or videos to hello@mounthawke.org.

You will need

- Drinking glass or another see-through container
- Jug of water
- Paper and pens

September Science Challenge!

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.

Shadows are formed when objects block light coming from a light source. You cannot see details such as facial features within shadows, only the outline of the object that is blocking the light.

Sports News

A group of Key Stage One children have headed out today to attend a multi skills festival. We hope that they have a great time and enjoy lots of new sports.

Year Six Moving On

It is that time of year – if you have a child in Year Six, please make sure that you complete their application for secondary school before 31st October 2025. The online application system is open and detailed information about the admissions process is available online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions.

It is important that you name more than one preference. This will not give you less chance of securing a place at your preferred school. Please also check your eligibility for Home to School Transport before naming your preferences.

If you need support with the application process, contact the Family Information Service (0800 587 8191) or School Admissions Team (0300 1234 101).

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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.

The calendar below will be updated as the year moves on...

MHA Calendar	
Week beginning 20 th October	Parent Consultation Evenings – more details soon
23 rd October	Flu Vaccinations
24 th October	Training Day – MHA closed to children
14 th November	Children in Need Day – own clothes for a donation
Week beginning 8 th December	Christmas Performances – more details soon
19 th December	Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day

Mount Hawke Academy – Term Dates 2025-2026

September 2025	October 2025	November 2025
Mon 1 8 15 22 29 Tue 2 9 16 23 30 Wed 3 10 17 24 Thurs 4 11 18 25 Fri 5 12 19 26 Sat 6 13 20 27 Sun 7 14 21 28	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 31 Sat 4 11 18 25 Sun 5 12 19 26	Mon 3 10 17 24 Tue 4 11 18 25 Wed 5 12 19 26 Thurs 6 13 20 27 Fri 7 14 21 28 Sat 1 8 15 22 29 Sun 2 9 16 23 30
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School holidays

Bank holidays

Christmas Day	25 December 2025
Boxing Day	26 December 2025
New Years Day	01 January 2026
Good Friday	03 April 2026
Easter Monday	06 April 2026
May Bank Holiday	04 May 2026
Spring Bank Holiday	25 May 2026
Summer Bank Holiday	31 August 2026

AUTUMN TERM (73 days)
3 September - 19 December 2025
(HALF TERM 27 - 31 October 2025)

SPRING TERM (59 days)
5 January - 2 April 2026
(HALF TERM 16 - 20 February 2026)

SUMMER TERM (63 days)
20 April - 22 July 2026
(HALF TERM 25 - 29 May 2026)

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:

- Wednesday 3rd September 2025
- Friday 24th October 2025
- Monday 5th January 2026
- Friday 13th February 2026
- Monday 1st June 2026

Please book holidays in school holidays – thank you

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