



Mount Hawke Academy

Head of School: Miss C Biddick

10.10.25

Dear Families

Yesterday after school, all our teachers attended training on Autism in Schools: Understanding Autism / Neuro-affirming Practice. This was very interesting and has given us an even greater understanding of how we can support and meet the needs of all our children.

Through the week it has also been wonderful seeing how settled all our children are and the progress they are making, academically and socially. It will be super to welcome you into school for consultation meetings in the last week before half-term. Appointments to meet your child's teacher will be available to book via the Arbor app from 6.00pm on Monday 13th October.

Your child may come home talking about using clothes pegs and Play-Doh in class at the moment! This is part of a focus we are having on improving handwriting stamina. Exercising fingers and hands to build strength really helps children hold pencils and pens, and other things such as using cups with handles, squeezing brakes on bikes, climbing and balancing all help build hand and core strength too.

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	Gilly	Tarka
Longships	Bill	Finley
Pendeen	Eli	Willow
Gwithian	Talia	Eli
Carne	Euan	Eli
Lamorna	Logan	Betsy
Allen	Amber	Cadan
Kenwyn	Piran	Arthur
Truro	Rory	Gwen



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

EYFS and KS1 – Imagination

KS2 – Trust

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](#)

Sports News

Mr Brandreth has some Year Six bike apprentices working with him at the moment, helping make sure that the school bikes are all safe to ride as they are being used in PE this term.

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Recommended Read

This week's recommendation comes from Max in Carne Class and he loves reading Bear Grylls – The Blizzard Challenge
I would recommend this book because there is comedy, fun, adventure and mystery. It's about a boy who goes to another world through a compass and has an adventure. This book is part of a series and I have others in the series too. I hope you enjoy them as much as I have!

Science Challenge

This month we're thinking about our environment. Remember to send in photos or videos to hello@mounthawke.org.



To expand our Plastic Free Schools status further, we are working towards our third expansion pack! Gwithian and Carne Classes kick started our award this week by attending a Plastic Free Schools Pupil Power assembly, inspiring them to clean the seas and cut single use plastics even more from our daily lives.

Your challenge this month is to carry out a mini beach clean with your family. When you have collected your items- could you make a sea themed picture out of your rubbish and send a photograph of it to school? We can collect all of your findings as part of our 2026 Plastic Free School award and enjoy cleaner seas and beaches!

Safety tips for your beach clean:

- Wear gloves
- Use a litter picker if possible
- Only pick up rubbish if your adult says it's safe to do so

Here are some ideas from Surfers Against Sewage of images you may create:



Year Six Moving On – deadline for applications is the end of this month

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 – booking opens at 6:00pm on Monday 13 th October
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
26 th November	Bag2School 
Week beginning 8 th December	Christmas Performances – more details soon
19 th December	Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day

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