



Mount Hawke Academy

Head of School: Miss C Biddick

7.11.25

Dear Families

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn Term. We are so pleased with how well the children have returned, ready for a very busy rest of 2025. Yesterday, Gwithian Class visited Community Roots at the Ecopark as part of their learning in Science. We are so appreciative of the time that Community Roots are giving us – showing our children how sustainability can be put into everyday life - and their time in supporting us with our garden area too.

Mrs Martin met with our Mental Health Ambassadors this week too, reflecting on the work that have done so far this year, and making plans for the rest of the term. These Year Six children show so much maturity and empathy for others – what great role models.

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	Vihaan	Jack
Longships	Perran	Ralph
Pendeen	Bea	Finn
Gwithian	Ella	Will
Carne	Freyr	Daisy M
Lamorna	Arlo	Sylvie
Allen	Baxter	Kit
Kenwyn	Tully	Tao
Truro	Amara	Bill



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

EYFS and KS1 – Communication

KS2 – Empathy

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

The school has started the Dry Tri Challenge this week despite the terrible weather at times! This will continue over the next couple of weeks until all classes have completed it. Donations are welcome via ParentPay, helping us to raise money for new sports equipment. Thank you so much for your support with this again.



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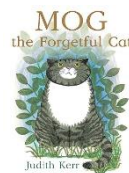
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Recommended Read

This week's recommendation comes from Longships Class...Otilie recommends *Mog the Forgetful Cat* by Judith Kerr.

"It is a really, really funny book about a forgetful cat. My favourite part is at the end when Mog meows at the window and the robber sees her and drops his bag. Mog gets a medal and an egg!"



Science Challenge

This month we're thinking about flower power! Remember to send in photos or videos to hello@mounthawke.org.

November
Science
Challenge!
Flower Power!

You will need

- * Different kinds of paper and card
- * Scissors
- * Bowl of water
- * Other liquids, e.g. milk, cooking oil (optional)
- * Sketch book and pencil
- * Magnifying glass (optional)

Draw and cut out some paper flower shapes. Gently fold each petal into the centre so they overlap, and then float the flower in the bowl of water. Watch what happens! Experiment to find out what happens with different sizes of flower and types of paper or card. Can you time how long different flowers take to open?



WHAT DO YOU NOTICE?

Things to talk about ...

Why do you think the paper flowers open when you put them into water? What happens when you use thicker or thinner paper, or with different sized flowers? Does it still work if you use a different liquid like milk or cooking oil?



WHAT IS THE SCIENCE?

Paper is made of lots of fibres. The spaces between the fibres can absorb water and when this happens, the paper expands which is why the flower opens up. The fibres and the sizes of the space between them vary from paper to paper which is why some flowers open faster than others. When water flows into narrow spaces in this way, often against gravity, it is called **capillary action**. Another example of capillary action is water moving through the roots of a plant and into the stem and leaves.

Photos

School photos are now live and ready to view and order using the code your child brought home. The deadline for ordering photos for free delivery to school is Sunday 16th November.

Parking

Please remember to park considerately and not in front of the garages in Penhallow Close. The garage blocks are private property and are in constant use.

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Children in Need



Friday 14th November is Children in Need. Everyone is welcome to come in wearing their own clothes on this day. We welcome any donations for this very important charity via ParentPay - [Children in Need Donations](#). Thank you.

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		
14 th November	Children in Need Day – own clothes for a donation	
26 th November	Bag2School 	
8 th December	Years One and Two - Baarmy Bethlehem– 1.30 pm & 5.00 pm	Ticket information to follow soon
9 th December	Years Five and Six – Peter Pan – 1.30 pm & 5.00 pm	
10 th December	Years Three and Four - Lights, Camels, Action 2 – 1.30 pm & 5.00 pm	
12 th December	Year R – The Nativity - 9.15 am & 2.00 pm	
19 th December	Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day	

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