



Mount Hawke Academy

Head of School: Miss C Biddick

14.11.25

Dear Families

This week saw visitors from Aspire come into school for our termly monitoring. They watched phonics and reading lessons from Reception Class all the way to Year Six, and then met with our Mental Health Ambassadors to talk about the innovative programme that they are running. The visitors were delighted with the super behaviour and attitudes of our children, all wanting to give of their best and make the most of their learning. They noticed how we are spending lots of time on widening our vocabulary and on exposing our children to high level texts. The Mental Health Ambassadors showed a maturity beyond their years, and their wisdom and willingness to help and guide the younger children was excellent to see.

Thank you for your donations for Children in Need today. It has been great to see the children out of their uniforms, supporting such an important charity.

Open Classrooms

We would be delighted to see you in school on Monday 15th December from 2.30 pm to visit your child's classroom and share their learning from the year so far with them, leaving again by 3.00 pm, so we can dismiss any remaining children safely. You are welcome to take your children at this time, or leave them for typical pick up.

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	Olivia	Eddie
Longships	Hazel	Lewis
Pendeen	Elodie	Iris
Gwithian	Orla	Sophie
Carne	Erin	Arlo
Lamorna	Kirra	Jack
Allen	Theia	Thea
Kenwyn	Isla	Jensen
Truro	Ella	Rusty



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

EYFS and KS1 – Empathy

KS2 – Communication

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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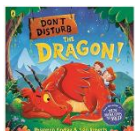


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Sports News

On Monday, a team headed off to the EcoPark to play a football match against St Agnes Academy. Our team came together well and kept their heads up, but lost to St Agnes. Congratulations to everyone who played.



Recommended Read

This week's recommendation comes from Mousehole Class... George has chosen, 'Don't Disturb the Dragon' by Rhiannon Findlay and Siân Roberts. He says, 'I like to look for the dragon in the pictures, it is fun to guess. And I love dragons.'

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 this Sunday, the 16th November.

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Children in Need



Today is Children in Need. We welcome any more donations for this very important charity via ParentPay - [Children in Need Donations](#). Thank you.

We must also celebrate Orla in Year Three, who completed a triathlon on Sunday for this worthwhile charity and has set up a just giving page if you would like to sponsor her - <https://www.justgiving.com/page/orla-triathlon-age7>

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		
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	
15 th December	Open classrooms from 2.30 pm – 3.00 pm – share the children's learning from the year so far	
19 th December	Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day	

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