



# Mount Hawke Academy

Head of School: Miss C Biddick

30.1.26

Dear Families

It has certainly been another very soggy week, but the buzz in school is so positive. Spring Term is a lovely term to see the children really flourish in their learning, and this is the term where progress really shows.

Our termly meeting with our Cornwall Council Education Welfare Officer was held this week. She was very pleased with the attendance of our children, with our whole school attendance at 96.0%, compared with the national average of 94.8%. Thank you for your support with this – regular school attendance makes such a difference to children's learning, both socially and academically. Please also remember that our gates open at 8.30am and close at 8.45am and activities in class start from 8.30am, so being on time each day is so important. Thank you.

## Celebrations

Today saw a lovely end to the month – our Superstar Assembly. The parents of the children named below have already had a letter, telling them that their child has been noticed for going above and beyond in all that they do and an invitation to our Superstar Assembly. Each Superstar is also given Book Token to help them buy a book of their choice.

This is to say a huge THANK YOU and WELL DONE for all that our Superstars do, from everyone at school.

Class	Superstar
Mousehole	Rosa
Longships	Ellie
Pendeen	Bea
Gwithian	Orla
Carne	Eli
Lamorna	Millie
Allen	Rosen
Kenwyn	Theo
Truro	Archie



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

EYFS and KS1 – Problem Solving

KS2 – Resourcefulness

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

An unusual week here – nothing to report on the sporting front!

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## Science Challenge

This month we've got a practical challenge! Remember to send in photos or videos to [hello@mounthawke.org](mailto:hello@mounthawke.org).

## January Science Challenge

### SCAVENGER SCIENCE

#### TRY THIS INDOORS .... Make a shelter

Collect some different materials together from indoors (e.g. foil, card, plastic, cotton) and/or outdoors (e.g. sticks, leaves). Use the materials to make a waterproof mini shelter for a toy. You could start by making a framework like the one in the picture and then put different materials over it. Once the shelter is finished, put a small toy inside and spray or drip water over the top. Try changing the material to find out which one is best at keeping the toy dry.

#### You will need

- \* Collection of materials (e.g. foil, plastic, card, cotton, leaves)
- \* Jug of water
- \* Small toy
- \* Egg box or other small container
- \* Paper and glue

#### WHAT DO YOU NOTICE?

##### Things to talk about ...

Which materials are best at keeping the toy dry? Why do you think this is? Which materials let the water through? Do they let the water through straight away or after a bit of time? Which materials soak up the water?

NB if you are doing this indoors, put a tray or plastic sheet under the shelter to stop water going on the floor!

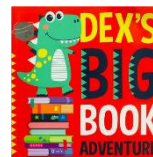


#### WHAT IS THE SCIENCE?

Water cannot pass through **waterproof** materials. Foil and plastic are waterproof which is why they are so useful for wrapping food, and why we make raincoats from plastic materials. Some materials might **absorb** water and so might not let it through straight away, e.g. thick cotton, but after some time, the water will drip through.

## Recommended Read

This week's recommendation comes from Mousehole Class... Eddie has chosen Dex's Big Book Adventure. He says, "I love this as I love dinosaurs and Dex learns to love books like I do too."



## Communications

Remember to use the email [hello@mounthawke.org](mailto: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	
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Lamorna Class Cake Sale - after school
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Training Day – school closed
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day – details to follow
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day – non-school uniform / wear red
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Carne Class Cake Sale - after school

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Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> – Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	The Great MHA Balloon Race – details to follow
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	FOMHS Cupcake Workshop – details to follow
w/b Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Parent Consultation Evenings
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Open Classroom Session – 2.30pm-3.00pm
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Gwithian Class Cake Sale - after school
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Break up for Easter Holiday at 3:15pm / Playzone until 5:00pm
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	Return to school for Summer Term
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Pendeen Class Cake Sale - after school
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Longships Class Cake Sale - after school
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Mousehole Class Cake Sale - after school Summer Fair
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	FOMHS Colour Run – details to follow

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