



Mount Hawke Academy

Head of School: Miss Catherine Biddick

18.9.26

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.

It's been a very busy week for Year Five in particular! On Monday, they took part in Splash School at Porthtowan Beach run by Surf Life Saving GB, learning about water safety, drowning prevention and water and beach confidence. Thank you so much to everyone who made this possible. On Wednesday, they started their swimming sessions and today they have taken 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	Merryn	Lenny
Longships	Lyra	Rupert
Pendeen	Nader	Ondine
Carne	Cora	Alma
Lamorna	Alfrieda	Kit
Gwithian	Isabella	Halle
Kenwyn	Rowan	Emmy
Truro	Amber	Coast

Recommended Read

Our book review for this week comes from Year Five...Kenwyn Class are enjoying reading Oh Maya Gods by Maz Evans

When football-obsessed Vesper and her super-smart cousin Aster accidentally release Kizin, the chaotic Maya god of death, all chaos breaks loose. To stop him from ending the world, they must form a new "Gods Squad" and journey to the underworld of Xibalba to face the Lords and Ladies of Death in an epic high-stakes match. You will love this book because every single page is full of ridiculous situations and hilarious immortals. Vesper and Aster start off barely able to tolerate each other, but by the end of the book they team up and combine to make a formidable team.



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My Personal Best Life Skill for next week is...

Respect

We explore our life skills each week 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

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 2026. 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).

MHA Nursery Update

Our application to open MHA Nursery went into Cornwall Council last Friday. We have received a very positive response from them, and hope that the Department for Education in London will give us the final authorisation that we need. Fingers crossed that we get this later this year.

Parking

We have had reports of cars being parked on the double yellow lines and on the zig zags outside school. There is no parking in these areas to make it safer for our children and families. Parking Enforcement Officers will also be visiting at various times.

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 19 th October	Parent Consultation Evenings – more details soon
Friday 13 th November	Children in Need Day – own clothes for a donation

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Week beginning 7 th December	Christmas Performances – more details soon
Monday 14 th December	Open Classrooms 2.30 pm – 3.00 pm
Friday 18 th December	Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day Break up for Christmas Holidays
Monday 4 th January	Training Day – school closed for children
Tuesday 5 th January	Children return to school for Spring Term

Mount Hawke Academy – Term Dates 2026-2027

September 2026						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24		
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

October 2026						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tue		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	
Sat	3	10	17	24	31	
Sun	4	11	18	25		

November 2026						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue		3	10	17	24	
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thurs		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

December 2026						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24	31	
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

January 2027						
Mon		4	11	18	25	
Tue		5	12	19	26	
Wed		6	13	20	27	
Thurs		7	14	21	28	
Fri	1	8	15	22	29	
Sat	2	9	16	23	30	
Sun	3	10	17	24	31	

February 2027						
Mon		1	8	15	22	
Tue		2	9	16	23	
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	

March 2027						
Mon	1	8	15	22	29	
Tue	2	9	16	23	30	
Wed	3	10	17	24	31	
Thurs	4	11	18	25		
Fri	5	12	19	26		
Sat	6	13	20	27		
Sun	7	14	21	28		

April 2027						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tue		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	
Sat	3	10	17	24	31	
Sun	4	11	18	25		

May 2027						
Mon		3	10	17	24	31
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	

June 2027						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24		
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

July 2027						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tue		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	
Sat	3	10	17	24	31	
Sun	4	11	18	25		

August 2027						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue		3	10	17	24	31
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thurs		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

Bank holidays

Christmas Day	25 December 2026
Boxing Day	28 December 2026
New Years Day	01 January 2027
Good Friday	26 March 2027
Easter Monday	29 March 2027
May Bank Holiday	03 May 2027
Spring Bank Holiday	31 May 2027
Summer Bank Holiday	30 August 2027

AUTUMN TERM (72 days)

3 September - 18 December 2026
(HALF TERM 26 - 30 October 2026)

SPRING TERM (54 days)

4 January - 25 March 2027
(HALF TERM 15 - 19 February 2027)

SUMMER TERM (69 days)

12 April - 23 July 2027
(HALF TERM 31 May - 4 June 2027)

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:

- Thursday 3rd September 2026
- Friday 4th September 2026
- Monday 4th January 2027
- Thursday 25th March 2027
- Monday 7th June 2027

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