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Head of School: Miss Catherine Biddick

27.11.26

Dear Families

This week has seen the start of our Christmas preparations. A huge thank you goes to the grandparents of the Mattock family who have so kindly donated a beautiful Christmas tree for school. Some of the children have decorated it and it is looking beautiful. The stage has also gone up (thank you George!) and the last week of rehearsals is about to begin before you all come into school to watch the fabulous performances.

On Tuesday, Pendeen Class visited the museum in Truro. They took part in a workshop, meeting Mrs Trevithick and finding out all about mining in Cornwall. They also had time to look around the museum, and were noted for their super behaviour. Great work, Year Two.

Celebrations

Yesterday saw a lovely end to the week – our November Superstar. 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	Rowan
Longships	Isaac
Pendeen	Arthur
Carne	Cora
Lamorna	Dulcie
Gwithian	Bill
Kenwyn	Jack
Truro	JJ



My Personal Best Life Skill for next week is…

Curiosity

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



Recommended Read

This week's recommendation is from Kenwyn Class…and Emmy recommends The Royal Rabbits series - The Great Diamond Chase. This book is part of the Royal Rabbits series. It is about a diamond called the Siberian Diamond that goes missing! It is up to the Royal Rabbits to find out who has stolen it and steal it back. But just as they are on the trail, the Rabbits realise that Russia's elite, sharp toothed secret agents, the Minks, are in London! Do you think they now need help from an old friend to solve this mystery? If you like a hunt and a mystery, then this is the book for you.

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Sports News
Yesterday, our girls football team headed off to Archbishop Benson School for a match. After great play from both sides, we were delighted to come back with a win and move through to the next round.

Today, a team of older children have gone to Richard Lander School to take part in a Basketball tournament. Good luck!



Christmas Post Box
Our school post box is open in school for the children to pop their Christmas cards to friends in. Our Year Six elves will deliver the cards each day. Please remember to put first name, last name and class on the envelope to help with deliveries!

And, as Christmas is getting closer, Ella from our Eco Council has designed a poster with some super suggestions to make Christmas more sustainable. Thank you and well done, Ella.



FOMHS News
Rainbow Raffle

Our Christmas Rainbow Raffle is back, and we need your help to fill a hamper in every colour of the rainbow! Next time you're shopping, please pick up something in your child's class colour (food, drink, toiletries, stationery, candles, and other treats are all perfect) and drop it at the school office by **Wednesday 2nd December**.

Year 6 (Truro): Red
Year 5 (Kenwyn): Orange
Year 4 (Gwithian & Lamorna): Yellow
Year 3 (Carne): Green
Year 2 (Pendeen): Blue
Year 1 (Longships): Purple

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Reception (Mousehole): Pink

We're also looking for raffle prizes to go into each hamper, such as goods, services, and experiences from local businesses. If you run a business, or know one that might like to donate, please let one of the FOMHS team know or email us at friendsofmounthawkeschool@gmail.com. The hampers will be raffled during Christmas performances week. Thank you so much for your support!

Christmas Disco

Get your dancing shoes ready – our Christmas Disco is coming! Join us on **Thursday 17th December** for an afternoon of festive music, dancing, and Christmas fun. EYFS & KS1 children can party from 3:15 to 4:15pm, followed by KS2 from 4:15 to 5:15pm. Tickets are £5 per child, payable on Arbor, and include popcorn and drinks. All proceeds go to FOMHS to support our children throughout the year. Please see the attached poster for details. We can't wait to see you on the dance floor!

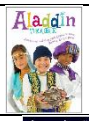
All proceeds to FOMHS
Friends of Mount Hawke School

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	
Monday 7th December 	Y5 & Y6 Christmas Performance – 1.30pm & 5.00pm
Tuesday 8th December 	Y1 & Y2 Christmas Performance – 1.30pm & 5.00pm
Wednesday 9th December 	Y3 & Y4 Christmas Performance – 1.30pm & 5.00pm
Friday 11th December The Nativity 	YR Christmas Performance – 9.15am & 2.00pm
Monday 14th December	Whole School Cinema Trip – 9.00 am - 11.30 am Music Concert in school – 1.30 pm Open Classrooms 2.30 pm – 3.00 pm

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Friday 18th December	Non Uniform Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day Break up for Christmas Holidays
Monday 4th January	Training Day – school closed for children
Tuesday 5th 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	
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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