



Mount Hawke Academy

Head of School: Miss C Biddick

29.11.24

Dear Families

This week has again proved what a compassionate and caring community we are. The support shown to all members of our school family has been so welcome and appreciated. Thank you.

We are continuing to work very closely with Sustrans and Cornwall Council to look at improvements that can be made to the environment around our school, particularly on the journey to and from school, and we will keep you informed as things start to happen.

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 we are giving them a Book Token too 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	Rory
Godrevy	Eli
Longships	Molly
Pendeen	Jack
Carne	Benji
Lamorna	Alistair
Allen	Charlie
Kenwyn	Jake
Truro	Suzy



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

EYFS and KS1 – Concentration

KS2 – Curiosity

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](#)



Recommended Read

This week's recommended read is from Amara in Kenwyn Class and is The Rescue of Raven Wood by Natasha Farrant. To Bea and Raffy, Ravenwood is home. To Noa it's a welcome refuge. In its own way, the house has rescued them, even with a fallen tree taking up most of the kitchen! But now they're about to lose it. Bea can stow away across Europe on a train, Raffy can keep climbing the tree and Noa can find out who started the fire...Read the book to find out what happens!

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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 and last names on the envelope, along with the class.

Sports News

Last Friday, our Girls' Football Team took part in the County Finals at Penryn and came third overall. What a great result. On Monday, our Boys' Team headed off to Mounts Bay for some games, playing so well, while yesterday our Gymnastics Team took part in an event at Richard Lander School and performed superbly.



Christmas Play Tickets – Now Live on ParentPay

We are looking forward to welcoming you into school for our Christmas plays during week commencing 9th December.

There will be two performances of each play. As last year, we are using ParentPay to book tickets for the performances. Tickets are initially limited to a maximum of 2 per child - please book your ticket for **either** of the 2 performances (**not both please**), the performances will show as separate items in ParentPay. Please detail in the information section how many tickets you would like (1 or 2) for that performance. **NB. children & babies will need their own tickets to comply with fire regulations.**

Please book your tickets by Wednesday 4th December. Once the initial allocation of 2 tickets per child has taken place there may be a very limited number of additional tickets. If you would like to apply for additional tickets, please indicate in the information section how many tickets you would like and for which performance. There is no guarantee that we will have any additional tickets, but if so we will endeavour to issue any on a fair basis.

There is no charge for tickets on ParentPay but you are welcome to make a voluntary contribution towards FOMHS fundraising if you wish.

Science Challenge

Here is the latest Science challenge...have fun!

FIREWORK IN A GLASS

You'll need

- Vegetable or sunflower oil
- Warm water
- Food colouring
- Glass or jar

Instructions

Fill the glass or jar about 3/4 full of warm water.

Carefully pour a small layer of oil onto the surface of the water and leave to settle. Note that oil and water don't mix!

Carefully drop small amounts of food colouring into the jar. You should see the food colouring drop through the oil into the water leaving colourful trails behind.

Extension Task

Try with colder or warmer water, is the display different?

Why does it work?

Food colouring is more dense than water so sinks to the bottom of the glass leaving trails. Meanwhile, because of the colour difference, the water is more attracted to each other than water molecules so near the food colouring. Surface tension between water molecules pulls them into the coloured columns you see in the jar.

Science Sparks™
All activities require your own safety.
www.science-sparks.com

Remember to send in photos or videos to hello@mounthawke.org.

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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.

MHA Calendar
Christmas Performances – dates below:
Monday 9th December Years One and Two – 1.30 pm & 5.00 pm
Tuesday 10th December Years Five and Six – 1.30 pm & 5.00 pm
Wednesday 11th December Years Three and Four – 1.30 pm & 5.00 pm
Friday 13th December Year R – 9.15 am & 2.00 pm
Friday 20th December Christmas Jumper & Dinner Day Break Up at 3.15 pm / Playzone until 5.00 pm
Monday 6th January Staff Training Day – MHA curriculum review
Tuesday 7th January Spring Term starts

Mount Hawke Academy – Term Dates 2024-2025

Term	Start	End	Days
Autumn Term	3 September	20 December 2024	(HALF TERM 28 October - 1 November 2024)
Spring Term	6 January	4 April 2025	(HALF TERM 17-21 February 2025)
Summer Term	22 April	23 July 2025	(HALF TERM 26-30 May 2025)

195 days are on the school calendar. School will be open to pupils for 190 days. The five additional days are allocated for staff training.

Training Days – school closed for children:

- Tuesday 3rd September 2024
- Wednesday 4th September 2024
- Friday 25th October 2024
- Monday 6th January 2025
- Friday 14th February 2025

Please book holidays in school holidays – thank you

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