

Friday 1st May 2026

NANPEAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Dates for the Diary

Monday 11th to Thursday 14th May – Year 6 SATS

Monday 18th to Friday 22nd May – Year 5/6
Swimming

Monday 25th to Friday 29th May – Half Term

Monday 1st to Wednesday 3rd June – London
Residential

Monday 8th to Friday 12th June – Year 4
Multiplication Checks and Year 1 Phonics Screening



HEADTEACHER WEEKLY UPDATE

Wow, what a fantastic start to the summer term! Our attendance has been brilliant and the children have returned to school ready to learn. We have already attended some wonderful events.

Last week, some children from Years 4/5 attended Exploding Words at Eden. This wonderful festival of words gave the children the opportunity to take part in workshops with authors. The writing they produced was fantastic, and the adults were extremely impressed with their impeccable behaviour. Well done, Nanpean!

This week, Years 3/4 have been taking part in swimming lessons, and we have been incredibly proud of them. They have shown great courage – possibly the bravest group we have taken to the pool – and have been so big-hearted towards one another, encouraging and supporting each other throughout. It has been lovely to see them celebrating each other's progress and being proud of one another.

On Wednesday, Years 5/6 visited the Hall for Cornwall to watch The Boy at the Back of the Class. Once again, adults commented on their wonderful behaviour. A huge thank you to FANS for funding the trip – an experience the children will remember.

Next week, KS1 and EYFS will be heading out on their trip to Geevor Tin Mine, and we can't wait to hear all about it.

SATS

Year 6 SATs begin on 11th May. The children will be invited in for breakfast at 8:15am to help them feel settled and ready to start the day. I would like to say a huge well done to the class – they have worked incredibly hard this year, and now it is their time to shine.

Parking Reminder

We would like to remind parents and carers to please take extra care when parking in the school car park. Unfortunately, a member of staffs car was damaged this week which is very upsetting for those involved. If you are involved in, or notice, any accident or damage while on site, please inform the school office as soon as possible.

Have a wonderful extended weekend and we look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Tuesday.

Miss Nile

ATTENDANCE

Eden – 98.31%
Hendra – 100%
Melbur – 97.44%

Drinnick – 96.32%
Rosemellyn – 100%

Stars of the Week

Each week, Nanpean School staff choose one pupil from their class who has shone to be their class star. This week, our stars were:

Eden – Samuel – for joining in brilliantly with his learning and working hard with his reading and writing.

Hendra – Olivia-Grace – for writing a super sentence using her sounds in RWI.

Melbur – Imogen G – for shining in her learning this week.

Drinnick – Stanley – For creative, imaginative ideas in our legend writing

Rosemellyn – Ethan W – Ethan's enthusiasm and enjoyment during our Hall for Cornwall trip to see 'Boy at the Back of the Class' was infectious – his passion for the book really shone through.



Citizenship Award



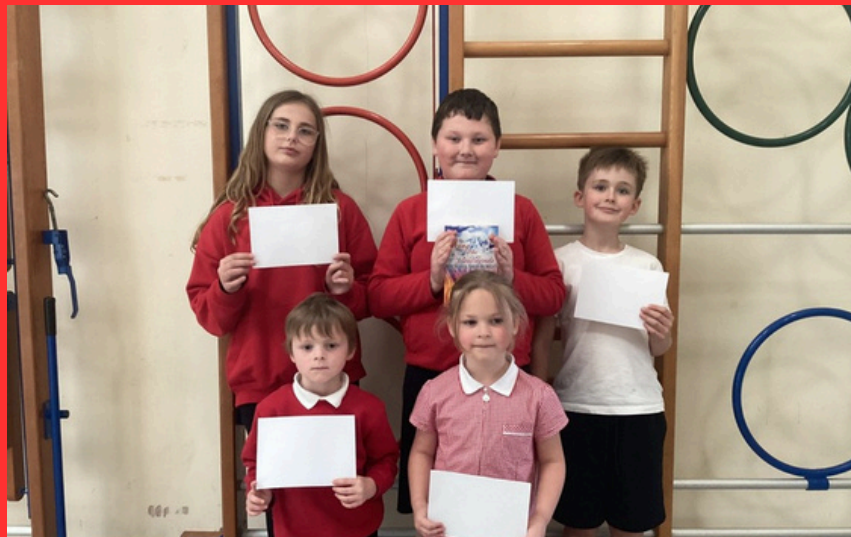
Each week we present a child with a Citizenship Award. This is to recognise and reward a child who has been notably kind, helpful or well behaved during the week. **This week our Citizenship Award went to: Isla P (Rosemellyn)** – for being big hearted, kind and supportive to her peers.



Sports Star



Last Week's Sports Star Award went to: Eloise (Melbur) – for excellent effort and increased confidence in swimming this week.



CLASSROOM SPOTLIGHT



EDEN CLASS

In our Jigsaw PSHE lesson the children have been trying something new in their Calm Me Time. They have been sitting proudly on a chair, eyes closed, listening to the chime and thinking of their favourite people. They have also been learning to take breaths in through their nose and out through their mouths. It helps us to feel calm and peaceful.

HENDRA CLASS

This week, Hendra Class enjoyed an exciting combined science and history investigation. We began by drawing a special picture, then explored different materials to decide which would offer the best protection from the elements. After choosing carefully, we hid our pictures in a location around the school grounds. Children then worked in pairs to create maps using symbols and clear directions, helping a classmate to find the hidden picture. This activity developed skills in investigation, problem-solving and teamwork, while also building map-reading and geographical understanding. The children showed great enthusiasm, creativity and resilience throughout the challenge.



MELBUR CLASS

This week has all been about fantastic effort in our swimming lessons. What a joy it has been to see the children shine and show resilience in all areas of swimming. All the adults have been very impressed with how quickly they have improved. Swimming is such an important skill, living near to all the wonderful beaches Cornwall has to offer.



Aside from swimming we have been looking at mass and capacity in maths and in English we have been completing our shared write on sound. All good preparation for our independent write on Wallace and Gromit's 'Cracking Contraptions' next week. Have a lovely Bank Holiday weekend and we will look forward to seeing the children next Tuesday!

DRINNICK CLASS

In Year 5 DT, we are really enjoying our new unit. We have been looking at different electronic toys and talking about how they look and how they work. The children have loved exploring these and sharing their ideas. We then had a go at making our own simple working circuits, which was great fun and helped us understand how electronics work. It has been lovely to see everyone getting involved and trying their best.



ROSEMELLYN CLASS

This week, Rosemellyn have been working incredibly hard in their preparation for SATS in two weeks. Their resilience has been fantastic and they have put in a huge amount of effort in this final push before the tests in a few weeks. Keep it up, Year 6!

We also had a fantastic time at the Hall for Cornwall this week, watching an adaptation of last half term's class novel, 'Boy at the Back of the Class' by Onjali Q Rauf. The children thoroughly enjoyed the show and were full of excitement to discuss how it correlated with the story we had read together in class, showing real passion and enjoyment of their reading.

In history this week, we have begun our new 'Crime and Punishment' unit, focusing on crimes over the last 1,000 years. The children enjoyed learning about petty crimes and their trials and punishments, such as 'trial by combat'!



BOY AT THE BACK OF THE CLASS

On Wednesday, Year 5 and 6 went to the Hall for Cornwall to see The Boy at the Back of the Class. This was a fantastic experience for the children, especially as they have also read the book. A huge thank you to FANS for generously funding this opportunity for them.

EXTREME READING CHALLENGE

A big thank you to everyone who took part in our Extreme Reading Competition!

We loved seeing all the creative and exciting ways the children chose to read in unusual places. The photos you shared were fantastic and really showed your enthusiasm for reading.

Well done to all who participated – you made it very difficult to choose our favourites! All photos that were received, will be on display in school.

Keep up the great reading at home.

