

## Newsletter



Everyone matters, everyone succeeds, every moment counts

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Dear parents and carers,

New topics have been launched across the school this week with Stunning Starts. These have included creating balloon rockets and flying them, a special delivery for a storytelling text, a healthy experience of meditation and active challenges, and creating Viking longships and racing them. Children have come home with their knowledge organiser booklets which include key learning and vocabulary for this half term, so you can use these to help at home.

On Monday, clubs start and next week we have our Meet the Teacher sessions across the school. Please see the key dates for times to come to the School Office. Reception parents and carers, please go to the EYFS gate in School Lane.

Hope you all have a great weekend.

Mrs Cathy Brokenshire (Headteacher)

### St Dennis Stars

All St Dennis Stars were awarded for **friendship** this week, which is one of our core values.



Nursery	Nakai	Year 3	Sam
Reception	Archie	Year 4	Eva
Year 1	Trystan	Year 5	L-A
Year 2	Noah	Year 6	Nyla



### Brass Band Club

Brass Band Club will be running once again this term for 10 weeks and we are looking for more children to join!

It will involve exploring introductory brass tuition. The instruments are provided and the children are being taught by Phil from St Dennis Band Club.

There are limited spaces, so click here to sign up and get involved <https://stdennis.schoolcloud.co.uk>.



### We are looking forward to...

Week beginning: Monday 15th September

Nursery	We are looking forward to sharing our family photos with each other.
Reception	As mathematicians, we are looking forward to finding accurate ways of counting groups of objects
Year 1	As geographers, we are looking forward to going on a walk around the school to identify main features.
Year 2	As artists, we are looking forward to exploring more of the portraits of the artist Giuseppe Arcimboldo.
Year 3	As scientists, we are looking forward to investigating how muscles work.
Year 4	We are looking forward to continuing our learning about Odin in our storytelling text.
Year 5	We are looking forward to implementing our new Zones of Regulation areas.
Year 6	As artists, we are looking forward to imitating the artist and using line to show movement.
The Nest	We are looking forward to Forest School starting again.

## Attendance

Attendance for this year is now **97.0%**

This week, the class with the winning attendance is **Year 3**



Reception	96.8%
Year 1	91.5%
Year 2	89.4%
Year 3	97.9%
Year 4	92.4%
Year 5	97.8%
Year 6	92.7%

They will enjoy an extra special playtime next week, for being the best attending class!

## Growth Mindset Awards

Our Growth Mindset certificates were awarded to Paige, Ruby, Harvey, Cadan, Theo, Finley and Harley this week!



These awards celebrate children who have continued to believe in themselves and be resilient when something has been tricky! It's knowing that they can't do it... yet!

## Lunchtime Awards

Paige, Jacob and Myles received Lunchtime Awards this week for being polite, using good manners and showing responsibility.





## Key Dates - Autumn Term 1

15.09.25	Clubs Start 1500 Year 2 Meet the Teacher
16.09.25	0900 Year 4 Meet the Teacher 1500 Year 3 Meet the Teacher
17.09.25	0900 Year 6 Meet the Teacher 1500 Year 1 Meet the Teacher
18.09.25	0900 Year 5 Meet the Teacher 1500 Reception Meet the Teacher
25.09.25	School Photos
01.10.25	Black History Month
03.10.25	Harvest Assembly - St Austell Foodbank
06.10.25	Stay Safe Week
08.10.25	NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe Workshops
10.10.25	World Mental Health Day
13.10.25	0900 Year 5 Fabulous Finish 1500 Year 2 Fabulous Finish
14.10.25	0900 Year 4 Fabulous Finish 1500 The Nest Fabulous Finish
15.10.25	0900 Year 6 Fabulous Finish 1500 Year 1 Fabulous Finish
16.10.25	0900 Year 3 Fabulous Finish 1500 Reception Fabulous Finish Nasal Flu Vaccinations
17.10.25	Special Golden Time

**FOSDA & ZUMBA!**  
**FOSDA are hosting a**  
**Zumba event!**  
**At St Dennis WMC**  
**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2025**  
**Starting at 7pm, Tickets £5 (Over 16's only)**  
Tickets can be obtained prior to the event from school.  
A raffle will be drawn on the night £1 a strip!  
Trainers and comfy clothing are the dress code!  
A drinks bottle (water!)

So come along and have some fun to raise money for St Dennis Primary Academy



FOSDA is a Registered Charity - No. 1182585

The  
deadline for  
applications is  
**15 January  
2026**

# Starting school

## September 2026

Applying for a place in  
a reception class for  
children born between  
1 September 2021 and  
31 August 2022



### Attending a nursery or pre-school

You will need to apply even if your child attends a school's nursery or pre-school class. Please note that if a school is oversubscribed the fact that a child attends a school's nursery or pre-school, or a local nursery or pre-school, does not automatically guarantee a place at that school. The school's oversubscription criteria will be used to allocate places. Visit our website or contact us for more information.

### Information and guidance

Application form and information: [www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions)

Telephone: **0300 1234 101**



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# HARVEST APPEAL



## HELP SUPPORT YOUR FOODBANK WITH FOOD AND FUNDS THIS HARVEST

### DONATE FOOD

Help by donating an item or two from our shopping list to ensure we can provide food to help people in crisis.



### DONATE MONEY

Help to cover the costs of storing and distributing food, as well as developing sustainable projects.



### SHOPPING LIST TOP TEN ITEMS

TINNED CUSTARD  
LONG LIFE FRUITJUICE  
BISCUITS  
TINNED RICE PUDDING  
JAM  
COFFEE  
TINNED SOUP  
TINNED FRUIT  
TINNED VEGETABLES  
TINNED MEAT

Don't forget...  
You can help transform more lives with a financial donation too.

## Harvest

Our Harvest Assembly will be on Friday 3rd October and Andy from St Austell Foodbank will be joining us to talk about the local work this charity carries out.

Last year St Austell Foodbank, through its outlets at St Austell, Roche and St Stephen, provided emergency food to just under 4000 people who were facing the prospect of hunger. Nearly 1500 of these were children.

Please see the poster for items that they are currently requesting or you can also make a financial donation.

Year 3 are organising Harvest this year as part of their personal development work, which involves working with a local charity, and they have asked for all donations come to school during the week beginning 29th September.

Thank you for your support.



staustell.foodbank.org.uk

Registered Charity in England & Wales 112886

## Clubs

### Autumn Term Clubs



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
<b>Performing Arts Club</b> Mrs Loveridge KS2  Come to Performing Arts Club where you will be performing in front of your parents and carers in a finale.	<b>Makaton Club</b> Miss Stokes Rec & KS1  Come to Makaton Club where we will record some songs and publish them!	<b>Brass Band Club</b> St Dennis Band Years 4,5,6 <b>Instruments provided (14 only)</b>  Come to Brass Band Club where you will perform to children in an end of term assembly.	<b>Art Club</b> Miss Rollason KS2  Come to Art Club where you will develop your sculpture skills.
<b>Football Club</b> Miss Kent KS2  Come to Football Club where you will be competing in a tournament.	<b>TEC Girls Stop Motion Club</b> Mrs Nash KS2 (Girls only)  Come to TEC Girls Stop Motion Club where you will become 'TEC Girl Mentors' for the rest of the school!	<b>Choir</b> Mr Hawken KS2  Come to Choir where you will perform in the Church at Christmas.	<b>Eco Club</b> Mrs Bateson KS2  Come to Eco Club where you will be working towards achieving the 'Green Flag Award'.
<b>Arts and Crafts</b> Mrs Hawken KS1  Come to Arts and Craft Club where you will develop your creativity and imagination through exploring lots of different materials and techniques.	<b>Songwriting Club</b> Mr Murdock KS2  Come to Songwriting Club where you will learn songwriting skills to write songs we will perform in school.		<b>Netball Club</b> Mrs Parekh KS2  Come to Netball Club where you will play in a netball match against another school.
<b>Sensory Club</b> Miss Yorke KS1 & KS2  Come to Sensory Club where you will enhance your social and emotional skills through sensory play.			<b>Kindness Club</b> Mrs Lawford Years 2,3,4  Come to Kindness Club where you will perform acts of kindness around the school and community.

After School Clubs start again on Monday. Please click this link to book and if you need any help, please contact the School Office who will be happy to help. <https://www.stdennis.academy/school-clubs/>