

Newsletter

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Dear parents and carers,

As we reach the end of another brilliant year at St Dennis, I just want to say a huge thank you to all. Your support, and involvement have helped make this year the best yet!

There's been so much to celebrate, from our children's fantastic performance in the TPAT Musical Showcase to our best SATs and phonics results in years! We've had a packed calendar of trips and visitors, including an unforgettable visit to London, a camp at Porthpean and a school sleepover just last week! Children have taken part in the MADE Project, explored new ways of learning with iPads now rolled out across all of Key Stage 2 and even learnt to play a brass instrument. Whether it's been on the sports field, in the classroom or on stage, our children have made us incredibly proud.

After an emotional assembly today, we say a special goodbye and good luck to our wonderful Year 6 children as they move on to new adventures. We're so proud of everything you've achieved and we know you'll continue to shine. Remember our core values, especially aspiration – keep dreaming big and aiming high. You've got this!

Thank you once again for everything this year. Have a relaxing, sunny summer! We'll see you in September, ready for more fun, learning and new adventures.

Mrs Cathy Brokenshire (Headteacher)

Safeguarding

If you have any concerns about a child or family over the holiday, please call the MARU on 0300 1231 116.

If you need any support, there are links and resources that you can access on our safeguarding website page

<https://www.stdennis.academy/safeguarding/>.

Are you worried about a child or young person?

If you think a child or young person might be suffering neglect or abuse contact the Multi Agency Referral Unit (MARU)

If you see something, say something

☎ 0300 1231 116

✉ multiagencyreferralunit@cornwall.gov.uk

Whilst you may be concerned about involving our services, we do more than check up on children and young people's welfare.

If a family is struggling, we can organise early help and support for them, before any problems become harder to solve.

What information do I need to give?
The more detail you are able to provide, the better we will be able to help.

If you have noticed that something wrong, other people might have too. A teacher, health visitor or other person that knows the family might have already alerted us, and your knowledge might fill in some missing information that can help.



Together for Families

Goodbye and Good Luck!

After an incredible 36 years of dedication to St Dennis Primary Academy, we say a fond farewell to Mrs Dick as she begins a well-earned retirement.

Since joining the school in 1989, she has inspired generations of children with her passion for art, drama and creative teaching. Her lessons have sparked imaginations, built confidence and left a lasting impression on so many young lives.

From transforming the hall into a gallery for 'Take One Picture', to creating magical memories in Santa's Grotto, Mrs Dick's creativity has brought joy to so many children.

Her contributions to school performances, her artistic flair and her ability to bring out the best in every child will be deeply missed.

We thank her for everything she has given to our school and look forward to welcoming her back any time!

We also say goodbye to Miss Stone, who has been a valued member of our EYFS team this year. Her care and commitment have made a real difference to our youngest learners. As she sets off to explore new ventures, we wish her every success.

Teambuilding 2025

Children return to school on **Tuesday 2nd September** and will spend this day settling into their new classrooms and starting to learn new routines. The gates will open at 0840 and will close at 0850 to enable registration and a prompt start to learning time. Collection time remains the same at 1525 from the bottom playground.

On **Thursday 4th September**, we have an exciting team building day planned again!

Children in Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 will be based at school and take part in team building games and other activities including archery, bushcraft, kinball and ultimate dodgeball, run by DT Coaching. We ask that children wear their PE kit to school on this day and bring their water bottle and a waterproof jacket in case of rain, or a sun hat and sun cream if it's sunny.

Children in Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 will be going to Porthpean to take part in some water and land-based experiences. Children will be transported by coach and **need to be in school by 0820**, as the bus leaves at 0830. **Please can these year groups come to the top playground gate** on this day and children will be registered on the playground. We will return before the end of the school day. Children can wear their own clothes suitable for the beach. Wetsuits will be provided.

Children will need to bring:

Some wetsuit boots, beach shoes or old trainers that can get wet

- A towel and swimwear
- A packed lunch (if your child is in receipt of Free School Meals, we will provide this)
- A drinks bottle (not fizzy)
- Any necessary medication (to be given to the teacher)
- Sun cream and sun hat (or waterproof coat if it's raining)

There will not be any cost to families for this and I'm sure you'll agree, this is the perfect opportunity for children to build their new class teams for the year ahead.



St Dennis Primary Academy School Calendar 2025/26

September 2025							October 2025							November 2025							December 2025						
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CORNWALL COUNCIL *Together for Families*

School holidays

Christmas Day	25 December 2025
Boxing Day	26 December 2025
New Years Day	01 January 2026
Good Friday	03 April 2026
Easter Monday	06 April 2026
May Bank Holiday	04 May 2026
Spring Bank Holiday	25 May 2026
Summer Bank Holiday	31 August 2026

Bank Holidays highlighted in pink
INSET Days highlighted in yellow
School Holidays highlighted in grey

Autumn Term
 1st September – 19th Dec 2025
 (Half Term 20th – 31st Oct)

Spring Term
 5th January – 2nd April 2026
 (Half Term 16th - 20th Feb 2026)

Summer Term
 20th April – 24th July 2026
 (Half Term 25th – 29th May 2026)

St Dennis Primary Academy INSET Days (highlighted in **Yellow**) school closed:

- Monday 1st September 2025
- Monday 20th – Friday 24th October 2025
- Monday 5th January 2026
- Monday 26th January 2026



TIME2MOVE HOLIDAY CLUBS

SUMMER 2025!



ST DENNIS PRIMARY ACADEMY

Across the sessions we will be running our traditional & alternative sporting activities, from Basketball, Football and Rounders to Laser Tag, Archery & Crossbow and Kin Ball.



- Wednesday 6th - Friday 8th August 2025
- Wednesday 13th - Friday 15th August 2025
- Wednesday 20th - Friday 22nd August 2025
- Wednesday 27th - Friday 29th August 2025



Session Time: 12:30pm - 4:30pm



Only **£20.00** per session!

with multi-booking discounts available

Funded for those eligible for Free School Meals, with a hot lunch included!

For ages 5 - 16 years



HOW TO BOOK?

Bookings can be made via **Playwaze** or by visiting the DT Coaching website: www.dtcoaching.co.uk. Please contact us for further details or for help booking:
Email: clubs@dtcoaching.co.uk
Phone: 01872 306730

