

WEEK 28: 18<sup>TH</sup> - 22<sup>ND</sup> MAY 2026



# CARDREW COURT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## Thank you, Reminders and Updates

**Thank you** to Rewind Radio Cornwall for coming into school, giving us a shout out and facilitating us producing a radio ad, going live on air next week.



## Reminder

Today is the end of Summer Half term 1, with school being closed for half term, w/c 25<sup>th</sup> May

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June is an inset day, learners return  
Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

## Updates

Parent / carers of Yr9 & Yr10 have been sent a Duke of Edinburgh expedition letter via Arbor also attached on Dojo. Please could permission forms be back 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

6<sup>th</sup> July; Meet and greet new class open classroom

Welcome Ahmet, our new caretaker. Ahmet joined the team full time this term, please see his all about me on the office door to learn more about him.



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## 2026- 2027 class updates

Gorse will become Heather Yr8, taught by Gabby  
Verbena will become Fern Yr 9, taught by David  
Clover will become Dandelion Yr 10, taught by Tammy  
Moss will become Meadowgrass Yr 11, taught by Hayley  
Heather will become Foxglove Yr 11, taught by Dani

Clover will be a new Yr 11 class, taught by Emma M  
Bracken will be a new Yr 7 class taught by Vic  
Verbena classroom will be the new Bracken room led by  
our HLTA Lauren

Adam will be joining Dave on the Outdoor Ed team

Matt will be leaving to work at a local primary school, we wish  
him the best and will miss him.

Julian will be joining us from September as our PE Teacher

**More updates on all new staff to follow within our transition  
packs towards the end of term.**

If you have any questions or queries please get in touch.  
Whilst we want you to have this information now, please be  
aware change is sometimes out of our control

**We hope you all have a lovely weekend**

# Careers



This week, we had the fantastic opportunity to take part in more careers talks delivered by two fantastic radio DJ's from Cornwall's Rewind Radio station and a Clinical Matron working within the National Health Service.

Our learners even had the opportunity to create their own radio advert which will be aired on the radio station next week! These sessions provided valuable insight into careers within healthcare and the media industry, helping learners to explore different career pathways and understand the skills and qualities needed to succeed in these fields. Throughout the talks, learners engaged thoughtfully, asked insightful questions, and demonstrated great enthusiasm and maturity. The experiences have helped to broaden their aspirations, increase their confidence, and deepen their understanding of the opportunities available to them in the future. We are incredibly grateful to our guest speakers for taking the time to support and inspire our students as they continue their career journey.





# Food Technology



Weekly Highlights:



This week in Food Technology, Clover Class explored French cuisine by preparing a delicious traditional dish. Learners worked hard to make chicken with tarragon alongside classic boulanger potatoes.

The classroom was filled with wonderful aromas as learners practised a range of cooking skills, including peeling, slicing, seasoning, and carefully following a recipe. They also learned about the importance of herbs and flavours commonly used in French cooking.

Everyone showed fantastic teamwork, enthusiasm, and creativity throughout the lesson, and the finished dishes looked and tasted amazing!





Well done, Clover Class, for your excellent effort and culinary skills this week.



## next week

## "MUST TRY"

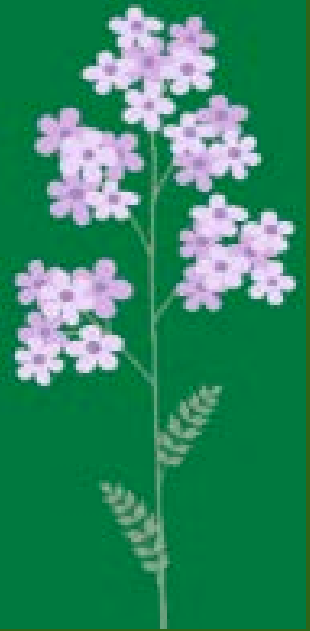
Week Commencing 1st June	
Gorse	Deli Salad
Verbena	Strawberry Tarts
Clover	Chocolate Brownies
Heather & Moss	Level 1 Home Cooking Skills
Fern	Food Hygiene level 2

<p><b>Rosti</b> 2 potatoes Oil to go</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Peel and grate potatoes.</li> <li>2. Use paper towel and squeeze out water.</li> <li>3. Season and shape gently.</li> <li>4. Heat oil gently in pan.</li> <li>5. Pan fry for 5-6 minutes on either side on a medium heat.</li> </ol> 	<p><b>Duchesse Potatoes</b> 200g potatoes ½ egg 15g butter 15g parmesan ¼ tsp nutmeg</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cook potatoes until soft and mash until smooth.</li> <li>2. Separate egg</li> <li>3. Add potatoes and nutmeg to the egg mix.</li> <li>4. Beat until smooth and place in a piping bag. Brush with egg white and cook for 15-20 mins.</li> </ol> 	<p><b>Boulangere Potatoes</b> 3 large potatoes ½ onion Stock Salt and pepper</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Peel and thinly slice potatoes and onions.</li> <li>2. Make stock up.</li> <li>3. Layer the potatoes and onions in a dish.</li> <li>4. Season and pour over stock.</li> <li>5. Bake in oven for 30 minutes.</li> </ol> 	<p><b>Hasselback Potatoes</b> 2 small potatoes 2 tbsps oil Salt and pepper Rosemary</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Carefully slice a small piece off the potato to give a flat side.</li> <li>2. Thinly slice the potato, leaving a small slice piece to hold them together.</li> <li>3. Brush with oil, sprinkle with salt, pepper and rosemary.</li> <li>4. Cook at 180°C, for 45mins</li> </ol> 
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# Healthy Meal

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## VERBENA



Last week Verbena Class planned to cook a healthy dish using either rice or pasta. On Thursday learners prepared , cooked and served their healthy dish.

Wow, their dishes were amazing lots of flavour, use of garnish for presentation adding colour, and a range of textures .

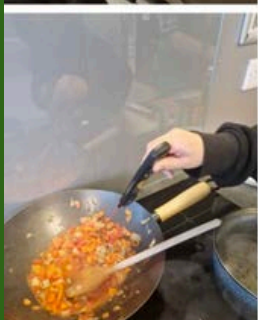
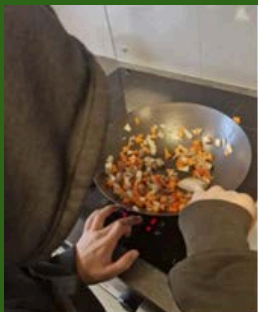
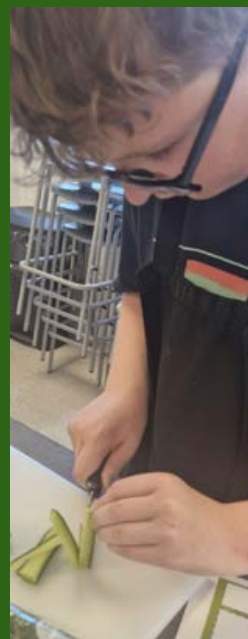
Well done Verbena Class!



# Healthy Meal

## GORSE

The independence and confidence shown by Gorse class when preparing, cooking and serving the healthy dish they planned was exceptional! Well done



# Fern

Fern has completed another week of exams, and they are all doing remarkably well during this challenging time. We couldn't be prouder of how they are managing everything. Well done, Fern! Keep up the fantastic work, and enjoy your well-deserved week off during half term next week.



On Wednesday afternoon, Gabby relished the opportunity to whip up another delightful dish in the kitchen during Food Tech, preparing mouthwatering chicken fajitas!



Fern had a lovely outing to Watergate Bay after a long English exam on Thursday. They had a nice walk across the beach and an ice cream on the way back before leaving to go back to school.



As a reward for enduring several lengthy exams this week, Fern class enjoyed a break from school. They took some time to unwind, indulging in retail therapy, and shared lunch and relaxation at their favorite coffee shops and restaurants.



## Happy Half Term!



## REMINDER

Half Term 25<sup>th</sup> -29<sup>th</sup>  
May  
Inset Day Monday  
1<sup>st</sup> June



# Clover Class



Weekly Highlights:

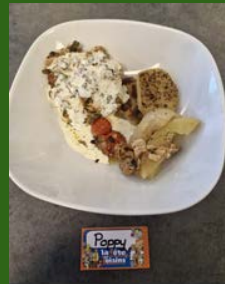


This week, learners in Clover Class have been continuing their clay hand sculptures in Art, showing great creativity and care in their designs.

In English, they have completed their storyboards about the life of Bear Grylls and have worked hard to present their ideas clearly and creatively.

During Food Technology, the children made a delicious French dish, which they thoroughly enjoyed preparing and tasting! In Geography, they have continued their learning about volcanoes and explored how and why volcanoes erupt.

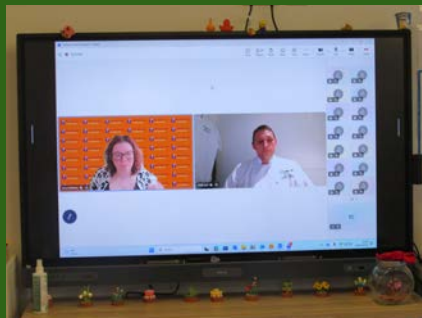
For Outdoor Education, the learners took to the lanes for a bowling trip to Bowling at Newquay, where they had a fantastic time developing their teamwork and enjoying some friendly competition. We would like to wish you all a wonderful half term with your families and look forward to welcoming everyone back for Summer Term 2 Tuesday 2nd June.



# MOSS CLASS HIGHLIGHTS



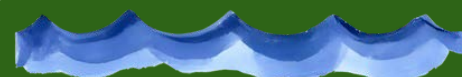
We were lucky enough to have a visit from Richard & Ryan from Rewind Radio on Tuesday. They spoke to us about the different roles within the radio station and explained about the pathways learners could take after school to begin a career working in the radio industry. Our learners were inspired and all worked together to create a commercial to advertise our school which will be produced and played on the radio! 😊 We also had a shoutout on live radio which was pretty cool!



Our learners made brownies in Hospitality & Catering on Wednesday and practiced their skills in chocolate piping. They also listened in to a Teams call with a range of chefs from The Navy, The Ritz and two contract caterers.



Outdoor Ed on Porthtowan Beach today was a blast 😊 A lovely way to end the half term - have a great break! See you on the 2<sup>nd</sup> June!





# VERBENA CLASS HIGHLIGHTS



This week new Lego kits have made there way into Verbena class, more Lego building has been enjoyed.

This week in Food Tech we have enjoyed making the meals that we planned out last week.



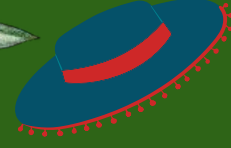
We got to put together the schools new coffee machine as part of our PD ASDAN for the term



For Outdoor Ed this week we have had an end of half term treat by visiting Raze the Roof in Penryn.



# Heather Class



In personal development we have created visual boards and fact files on Spain, where we explored the country's history, culture, traditions, and popular foods. This helped us develop our research skills and improve our understanding of different cultures around the world.

This week in Heather class we have enjoyed the career talks from an NHS nurse and a radio station DJ, who explained their roles and shared advice about working in their industries. We also visited the lobster hatchery as part of outdoor education, giving learners the opportunity to gain insight into careers within aquaculture and marine conservation.



In art we have been continuing with our pottery sessions with Leach Pottery. This week we focused on creating traditional Japanese Ono cups using a basic pinch pot technique. We also watched an excellent demonstration on how to throw a pot on the pottery wheel, which helped us understand the different skills and techniques used in ceramics.



Wow!



# Gorse Class

This week we have a guest writer for the Gorse page.  
Thankyou Evelyn.

In History, we learnt about the culture in Elizabethan England. There was people dying from starvation, people being hung and being whipped. I do not think it was a 'golden era' because people died from starvation and I do not think Queen Elizabeth I was very nice.



In Art, Gorse Class produced some extra-ordinary art pieces, inspired by Edvard Munch. Mine is about emotions people feel on the beach.



For my independent project I did a poster about Anne Frank. She died hiding from the Nazis because she was Jewish. I was inspired to do this because I find her story interesting.



Have a restful half-term break and we look forward to seeing you all  
back  
Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June.



# Article of the Week

## World Day for Cultural Diversity

2025 – 2027



Rights Respecting Schools

UNITED KINGDOM



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Held every year on 21st May, the World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development celebrates not only the richness of the world's cultures, but also the essential role of intercultural dialogue for achieving peace and sustainable development. The United Nations General Assembly first declared this World Day in 2002, following UNESCO's adoption of the 2001 Universal Declaration on Cultural Diversity, recognising the need to "enhance the potential of culture as a means of achieving prosperity, sustainable development and global peaceful coexistence."

<https://www.unesco.org/en/days/cultural-diversity-dialogue-development>



This links to Article 14 (freedom of thought, belief and religion). Every child has the right to think and believe what they choose and also to practise their religion, providing they are not stopping other people from enjoying their rights.



# CARDREW COURT SCHOOL

# WOW & IDIOM

WEEK 30 2<sup>ND</sup> - 5<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2026

## WORD OF THE WEEK

# Dexterous

## adjective

*Showing specialised skill, grace, or cleverness, particularly in using one's hands, or mentally.*

*"The dexterous pianist played an emotional piece with a profound climax".*

*"Elephants are known for their strong dexterous trunks".*

### Synonyms

talented, adept, skilful.

## IDIOM OF THE WEEK

### My bad



"Informal American English phrase used to admit responsibility for a minor mistake or error".

### Origin

"believed to have originated in African American Vernacular English (AAVE) in the 1970s and gained popularity through sports, particularly basketball".

*"I forgot to pick up the milk, my bad!"*

*"Oh my bad I didn't realise that was your seat".*

## COLLEAGUE OF THE WEEK:



# Jo

Staff vote weekly in our Colleague of the Week draw

Thank you for all you do at Cardrew Court School



## Lilly of Clover class

## Headteachers Awards

## GORSE class for thier Food Tech lesson



# MENTAL HEALTH

AWARENESS MONTH  
— MAY —



Exercise regularly and spend time outside



Talk to someone you trust



Eat nutritious food, be kind to your body



Practice relaxation



Make free time & self care a Priority



Ask for help. You matter!



# PSHE Focus

## Managing Money

This week in PSHE, learners explored the importance of managing money responsibly and developing positive financial habits for the future. Learners discussed budgeting, saving, essential versus non-essential spending, and how planning finances can help avoid overspending and support future goals. Learners also explored the pros and cons of borrowing money, including loans, credit cards, overdrafts, and buy-now-pay-later schemes. Discussions focused on how borrowing can be useful in some situations, but also the risks of debt, interest charges, and poor financial decisions.



Topical Network Professional Engineer	£400 - £500 per week
Graduate Trainee Recruiter Jenkins	£30,000 per year
Panel Beater Advantage Valley Ltd	£20,750 per year
Graduate Trainee International selling	£18,000 - £20,000 per year



Through real-life scenarios and group discussions, students developed a greater understanding of financial responsibility, long-term planning, and the importance of making informed choices about money and future independence. We encourage families to continue conversations at home around budgeting, saving, responsible spending, and planning ahead, helping young people to build confidence and positive financial habits for adult life.