

THE WEEK AT POOL ACADEMY

FRIDAY – 10.7.26

MESSAGES:

Welcome to this week's edition of The Week at Pool Academy.

It has been another busy and rewarding week, with highlights including our fantastic Festival on the Field, which brought our school community together for an afternoon of fun and celebration, our Year 7 reward trip to Hayle Outdoor Pool, the success of our student Sports Leaders, and the unveiling of our students' artwork at Tolvaddon Community Fire Station. We also celebrate our pupils' trip to Plymouth Argyle, the Year 9 History visit to Bodmin Jail and Restormel Castle, and the latest achievements of our Sparx Reader Champions and Spanish students.

As we head into the final week of term, we hope you have a wonderful weekend!

- With just one more week until the end of the academic year, please note that **students will be finishing at 12.15pm on Friday 17th July. Food will be available from 10.45am to 11.20am.** Students who would normally catch the service bus after school to Portreath will be taken to Portreath via school minibus at 12.20pm. Students who travel to Four Lanes will catch their usual bus at the earlier time of 12.20pm.
- [Parliamentary Summer School 2026](#) - Students in Years 10–13 living in the Camborne and Redruth constituency are invited to join Perran Moon MP for this year's Parliamentary Summer School. The sessions offer a unique look at the role of an MP and the workings of Parliament, featuring workshops, panel discussions, and Q&A sessions. Places are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. Interested students should apply directly to perran.moon.mp@parliament.uk.
- Support for Families: Free Breakfasts at Morrisons - We are pleased to share that the Free Kellogg's Breakfast Initiative is returning to Morrisons cafés. This initiative is available across all school holidays, with the goal of providing over 100,000 free breakfasts nationwide. Families visiting any Morrisons café can request a free "Kellogg's Breakfast," which includes a bowl of Corn Flakes or Rice Krispies, a choice of dairy or soya milk, and a portion of fresh fruit.

STUDENTS:



On Monday morning, 26 of our Year 7 students enjoyed a well-deserved reward trip to Hayle Outdoor Pool!

With glorious sunshine, plenty of laughter and lots of fun in the water, it was a fantastic morning celebrating their hard work and positive choices. Most importantly, the students were a real credit to the Academy, demonstrating fabulous behaviour throughout the trip.

Well done to everyone who earned their place—we're so proud of you!

This year 23 Year 9s have undertaken training to become Sports Leaders. This has included attending training with the Time2Lead Programme and The Young Ambassador scheme.

Students have also gained experience during core lessons and in extra leadership training afternoons with Mrs Bright and Mr Shaughnessy (Crofty Primary PE Coordinator).

They have helped with a variety of Crofty Sports tournaments throughout the year and during the summer months have helped run the Portreath and Treloweth Sports Days.

On Friday 3rd July they planned and hosted a Sports Festival for all the Crofty Primary schools which was a great success.



We were approached by Tolvaddon Fire Station with a special request to create artwork for the reception area of their Community Fire Station. Our students embraced the opportunity with enthusiasm and, after months of hard work, creativity and collaboration, we were delighted to complete the project last week. The finished pieces are a fantastic reflection of our students' artistic talents and the strong community links we are proud to maintain at Pool Academy.

This project would not have been possible without the support of some incredibly talented members of our school community. A huge thank you to Mrs Gribble, whose sewing skills are simply outstanding, Mrs Southworth for expertly firing and glazing the clay tiles, and Mr Rowe for framing the artwork so beautifully. Their time, dedication and craftsmanship have helped transform the students' work into something truly special.

Next week, the artwork will be presented to the Station Manager at Tolvaddon Community Fire Station, where it will take pride of place in the reception area. We hope firefighters, volunteers and visitors will enjoy it for years to come.





Forty pupils from Years 7, 8 and 9 enjoyed an unforgettable day at Plymouth Argyle's Home Park, taking part in an exciting football experience that combined learning, teamwork and plenty of fun.

The day began with an exclusive behind-the-scenes tour of the stadium, where pupils gained a fascinating insight into how a professional football club operates. From exploring areas usually reserved for players and staff to learning about the many roles involved in running a successful club, the visit provided a unique and inspiring experience for everyone.

The excitement continued with a competitive six-a-side tournament, where pupils represented the school with pride. Every match was played with enthusiasm, determination and excellent sportsmanship, with players encouraging one another and giving their very best throughout the day.

Most importantly, all 40 pupils were exemplary ambassadors for the school. Their outstanding behaviour, respect, maturity and positive attitudes were commented on throughout the visit and reflected the very best of our school community.

The trip was a tremendous success, creating lasting memories and giving pupils an opportunity to experience football beyond the classroom. A huge thank you goes to everyone who helped organise the day and to Plymouth Argyle for providing such a warm welcome and an incredible experience.

We are already looking forward to running the trip again next year and giving another group of pupils the chance to enjoy what was truly a brilliant day.



A reminder to all Duke of Edinburgh participants and families:

The DofE Presentation Evening will now take place at the beginning of next term. This gives everyone time to sign off all sections of their award and ensure their presentation meets the required criteria. Please make sure this is completed before the end of term. We're also still missing the inner section of a 2-person tent. Please could everyone check at home and return it to school as soon as possible if you have it. Thank you for your support. Mrs Cotterell

Eight students took part in a practical food workshop with Healthy Cornwall, where they made flatbreads and tomato soup. They discussed the importance of eating the recommended five portions of fruit and vegetables a day and reducing their intake of processed foods before learning key chopping skills to prepare the soup and making their own flatbreads.





This week, Year 9 History students enjoyed a fascinating trip to Bodmin Jail and Restormel Castle to support their learning on Prisons and Policing.

At Bodmin Jail, students explored the evolution of the British prison system, discovering local crimes, punishments and prison conditions. They also experienced some of the hard work done by inmates, including picking oakum, walking the treadmill and turning the crank.

Students visited the medieval ruins of Restormel Castle, where they explored the grounds, walked through the moat and climbed the ramparts while learning about daily life in a medieval castle.

The visit brought their classroom learning to life, giving students a valuable hands-on understanding of the historical topics they have been studying.



We are incredibly proud to celebrate this week's Sparx Reader Champions. A huge well done to all the students listed below for their outstanding commitment to their reading:

SPARX READER CHAMPIONS	
YEAR 7	
MACI W	2050
ETHAN M	1026
PHOEBE C	830

SPARX READER CHAMPIONS	
YEAR 8	
DEHANYA B	809
AIM V	649
FREYA J	626

SPARX READER CHAMPIONS	
YEAR 9	
LUCAS N	779
LILAH C	605
HARRY P	598

Festival on the Field 2026 was an absolute blast! The sunshine provided the perfect backdrop for an afternoon packed with fun, laughter and community spirit.

There was something for everyone to enjoy, from incredible live musicians and captivating dance performances to glitter, crazy golf, Plymouth Argyle activities, a tombola, face splat, ice cream and so much more.

The highlight of the day was seeing so many smiling faces as families, students, staff and members of our wider community came together to celebrate. Events like these remind us how special our Pool Academy community is.

A huge thank you to everyone who attended, volunteered, performed and helped make the event such a fantastic success. We are incredibly proud of our community and always love the opportunity to come together.



CLASSROOM CLIPS: SPANISH (YEAR 8)

Y8 Spanish students have made incredible progress this year. They have covered a wide range of topics including food, clothes and holidays and achieved some great quiz scores.

Many students have benefited from spending time with our fantastic language assistant Agos. Students have the opportunity to practice key vocabulary and grammar and they can get very competitive trying to beat each other's high scores.

We are really lucky to have Agos as our Spanish language assistant. She tries to see as many of the students as she can each week and encourages them to improve their Spanish speaking skills, in terms of confidence and honing their pronunciation.



Next Week's Sport Bulletin



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SPORTING INSPIRATION PROGRAMME
3 – 4 pm Week Beginning 13th July 2026

Weekly Extra-Curricular Activities
(Please come to the Gym changing rooms at 3pm)

Monday
Fixture

Tuesday
No Clubs

Wednesday
No Clubs

Thursday
No Clubs

Friday
No clubs

Weekly Fixtures

Monday 13.7.26

- K53 Cricket vs Camborne (Home)
- Year 10 Softball vs Camborne (Home)

Both games finishing @ 5.15pm

Good luck to the students involved in the last fixture of the year.

Parents and carers are invited to come and enjoy watching their child play in our school teams **from 4.15pm onwards**.

If you need to use the toilets, parents / carers will need to use the facilities near the sports hall. Students are to use the facilities by the PE changing rooms.

Enjoy the game and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Next Week's Menu

Lunch Week 1

All our ingredients are locally sourced and delivered fresh by local suppliers. Our eggs are free-range and Red Lion stamped, our fish is sustainably sourced and MSC approved and our meat is British Red Tractor accredited wherever possible.

(Spring 2025)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Meal	CRISPY CHICKEN BURGER POTATO WEDGES	BEEF CHILLI with Rice & Nachos	ROAST GAMMON with Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Peas	CHICKEN TIKKA With Rice & Garlic Bread	SAUSAGE/CHICKEN NUGGETS CHIPS
Plant Based / Vegetarian Main Meal	Veggie Burger with Seasoned Wedges,	Vegetable Chilli with Spicy Rice, Green Salad, Nachos	Quorn Roast Fillet with Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Peas	Sweet Potato & Chickpea Curry with Pilaf Rice, Green Beans, Bombay Potatoes	PIZZA SLICE MOZZERELLA STICKS CHIPS
Street Food	PIRI PIRI CHICKEN WRAP	CRISPY CHICKEN MAYO WRAP	BEEF BURGER SALAD/CHEESE	PULLED PORK WRAP	THE SHACK
Takeaway Tubs	TOMATO & CHORIZO	PENNE ARRABIATA	MAC & CHEESE	KARLAN COCONUT CHICKEN RICE	THE SHACK
Pizza Slice	CHEESE & TOMATO	HAM & TOMATO	CHICKEN & SWEETCORN	CHESSE & TOMATO	THE SHACK
Jacket Potato	Available daily with a range of delicious fillings	Available daily with a range of delicious fillings	Available daily with a rang of delicious fillings	Available daily with a range of delicious fillings	Available daily with a range of delicious fillings
THE SHACK	A SELECTION OF FRESH SANDWICHES/WRAPS BAGUETTES/SALADS	A SELECTION OF FRESH SANDWICHES/WRAPS BAGUETTES/SALADS	A SELECTION OF FRESH SANDWICHES/WRAPS BAGUETTES/SALADS	A SELECTION OF FRESH SANDWICHES/WRAPS BAGUETTES/SALADS	A SELECTION OF FRESH SANDWICHES/WRAPS BAGUETTES/SALADS



Meal Deal

Main Meal
with vegetables
and dessert



All of our main meals, sandwiches & desserts are freshly made on site every day



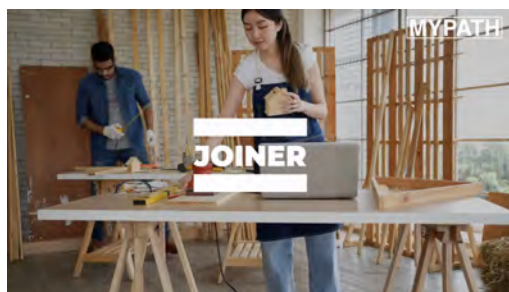
EVENTS NEXT WEEK (WEEK A):

[Link to the School Calendar](#)

- **Monday**
 - Geography Trip to Bristol (Year 10)
 - School Production Rehearsals, 3-5pm
- **Tuesday**
 - Geography Trip to Bristol (Year 10)
 - School Production Rehearsals, 3-5pm
- **Friday**
 - Last Day of Term (Students finish at 12.15pm)

CAREERS:

Each week we focus on a career pathway to highlight. This week we are looking at a career as a Joiner.



Please follow [this link](#) to learn more about careers as a Joiner.

If there is a particular pathway you would like to find out more about, please email enquiries@poolacademy.uk.

PRAISE POSTCARD RECIPIENTS:

Students are awarded a Praise Postcard for their class work, effort and attitude. This week we have given out a total of 259 Praise Postcards! Please see below for this week's recipients.

