

THE WEEK AT POOL ACADEMY

FRIDAY – 6.3.26

MESSAGES:

Welcome to this week's newsletter. It has been a busy and successful week at Pool Academy, which included a fantastic Careers Fair. This edition celebrates student achievements, including our Year 11 Carousel Champions and the leadership shown by our Year 9 Sports Leaders at the Primary Rugby Festival. Please also find details on the upcoming Duke of Edinburgh session and the Pre-Loved Book Sale.

As you are aware, we welcomed Ofsted Inspectors into the academy this week. Thank you to our amazing students for engaging with the Inspectors and also to parents/carers for your continued support. I look forward to being able to share the findings of the report with you soon.

- If your child is in Year 9, 10 or 11 you will recently have received a message asking you to update your child's photograph consents using [this google form](#). We've had a great response so far, but there is still time to do this before the deadline of 9th March. We like to share photos of our students, and would love to include your child in these!

STUDENTS:



On Monday 9th March, Silver and Bronze Duke of Edinburgh participants will be taking part in a practical session focused on outdoor skills, including learning how to make a hot drink using a Trangia stove.

To ensure everyone is fully prepared, students will need to bring the following items:

- Their walking boots and walking socks (these can be left in MFL2 for the day).
- A waterproof jacket or coat in case of inclement weather.
- Their own mug and a hot drink of their choice (hot chocolate, tea, coffee or juice) to use during the Trangia activity.

Mrs Cotterell will kindly be providing biscuits for everyone to enjoy. We aim to finish by 1600, provided that all washing up is completed!

On Friday 27th February, our Year 9 Sports Leaders – Seb, Kody and Aiden – proudly represented the school as referees at the Primary Rugby Festival. Despite the pouring rain and challenging conditions, the boys demonstrated outstanding commitment, resilience and professionalism throughout the day.



Taking on the responsibility of officiating multiple matches, they showed confidence, fairness and excellent communication skills, ensuring the games ran smoothly and safely for all the young players involved. Their positive attitude and leadership did not go unnoticed, with several staff members and organisers complimenting them on their maturity and leadership abilities.

Well done to Seb, Kody and Aiden for being fantastic role models and for upholding the values of our school. We are extremely proud of the way they conducted themselves and the example they set for others.



Our Year 11s have been hard at work on their Carousel revision homework in preparation for their GCSE exams. Well done to all our students who have completed the homework, with a special congratulations to this week's Carousel Champions, who will be presented with a special certificate in assembly in recognition of their great effort and commitment to achieving brilliant results. This week's champions, who scored 100% in all their revision quizzes are:

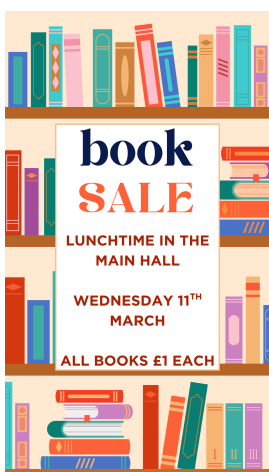
Carousel Superstars! 100%

Joel A, Eva B, Amelia G, Amelia R, Charlotte R, Adelina, Amaiah, Freya B, Zac B, Chris, Hannah, C, Sam C, Lucy F, Neeve, Molyn, Luke N, Natasha, Dinariya, Amelia W, Lola, Reuben, Owen, Oliver H, Megan S, Latheeba.

Pictured below (left) are Carousel Homework Winners and also our Spin the Wheel Winners Alesha p, Karl K and Shannon K for 11x5 and Amaiah, Sophia W and Yvonne for 11W1



We are delighted to share that one of our students, Iris B (Year 10), has organised a special event to support her fundraising efforts for the Camps International trip to Kenya. [Please see the poster](#) for full event details, including how you can get involved and show your support.



Yesterday, for World Book Day, Miss Smith was busy collecting second-hand books from the community and is excited to announce the return of the Pre-Loved Book Sale.



INDOOR CAR BOOT SALE



COME GRAB A BARGAIN!
CLOTHES & SHOES / PRE LOVED ITEMS / TOYS & GAMES




SUNDAY 8TH MARCH 2026
10.30 to 2.30

- Free entry for buyers
- Hot / cold drinks
- Pasties & cakes




Illogan Village Hall,
Nance Lane, Church Town Rd, TR16 4SW



Organised by Iris Biddle.
All profits will support my fundraising for Camp Kenya.

Please consider donating.




When: Wednesday 11th March at lunchtime
 Where: The Main Hall
 Price: £1 per book
 Payment: Cash only

Miss Smith will be selling all the books she has collected, so come along and grab a bargain book while they last! Don't miss out!

Congratulations to our Sparx Reader champions this week! It's brilliant to see so many students building strong reading habits and being celebrated for their dedication. Keep those pages turning and aim even higher!



SPARX READER CHAMPIONS	
YEAR 7	
ETHAN M	1244
MACI W	1206
KENZIE D	1073

SPARX READER CHAMPIONS	
YEAR 8	
KENZIE P	1099
KARINA S	1080
CHARLIE S	654

SPARX READER CHAMPIONS	
YEAR 9	
STEVE S	814
EMILY K	689
DAVINA M	600

SPARX READER CHAMPIONS	
YEAR 10	
CHRISTELLE M	868
HANNA K	456
KEELY M	407

A huge congratulations to our fantastic English Star Pupils this week at Pool Academy! We are incredibly proud of the effort, dedication and brilliant work they have shown in their English lessons.

- ☀ Eva B – Y11
- ☀ Josh M – Y11
- ☀ Jacob – Y10
- ☀ Ella W – Y8

These students have really shone this week with their commitment, attitude and progress. Keep up the amazing work — we are very proud of you all!



What a fantastic Careers Fair we had yesterday at Pool Academy!

Our students were brilliant throughout the day – engaging confidently with employers, colleges and training providers, asking thoughtful questions and exploring the many pathways available to them in the future. It was inspiring to see so many students discovering new opportunities and thinking about where their ambitions could take them.

A huge thank you to the incredible companies, colleges and organisations who joined us. Your enthusiasm, time and willingness to share your knowledge made the event truly special. Our students gained so much from speaking with you.

A brilliant day all round and a great example of our community coming together to inspire the next generation.

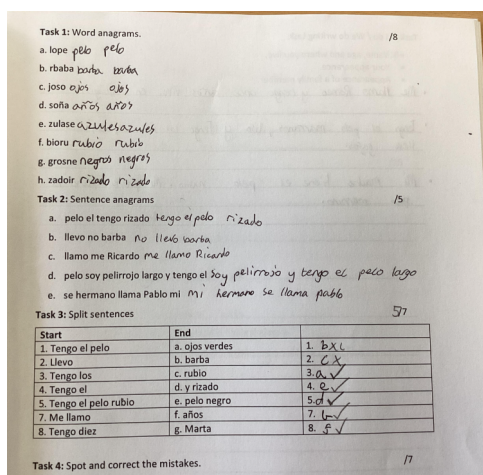
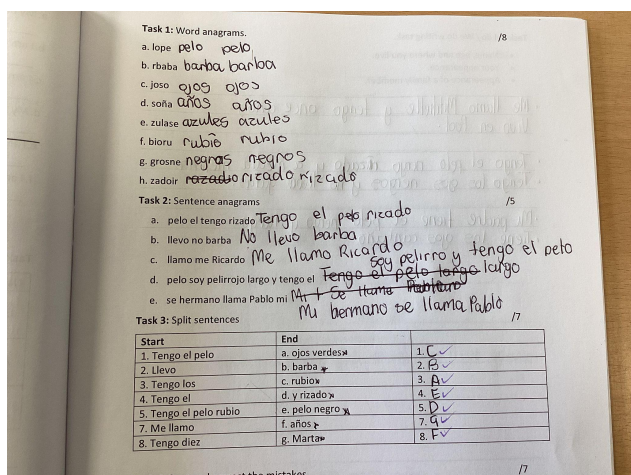


CLASSROOM CLIPS: SPANISH (YEAR 7)

This week in Spanish, our Year 7 students have been learning how to describe hair and eye colour as part of Unit 7. In today's lesson, students prepared for their upcoming end-of-unit quiz, which they will complete and then self-mark alongside Mrs Cotterell.

The work shown in the photo demonstrates students self-marking and checking their own answers, an important skill that helps them become reflective learners. By reviewing their work and identifying areas for improvement, students develop greater independence in their learning.

This reflective approach is a valuable skill not only in school but also later in life, helping students to evaluate their work and continue improving in future studies and the workplace.



Next Week's Sports Bulletin



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SPORTING INSPIRATION PROGRAMME

3 – 4 pm Week Beginning 9th March 2026

Weekly Extra-Curricular Activities

(Please come to the Gym changing rooms at 3pm)

Monday

Girls Football (MF) - All Years
Badminton (SBR) - All Years
Boys Football (JH) - Year 9

Tuesday

Girls Rugby (MCR) - All Years
Boys Football (TF) - Year 8
Boys Football (MF) - Year 7

Wednesday

Hockey (SBR) - All Years
Basketball (TF) - All Years

Thursday

Fixtures

Friday

No clubs

Weekly Fixtures

Wednesday - 11.3.26

- U12 Netball Tournament (Redruth)
Year 7 - Return @ 3.15pm

Thursday - 12.3.26

- Hockey vs Camborne (Home)
Year 7, 8 & 9 - Finish @ 5pm
- Boys Football vs Penair (Home)
- Year 7, 8, 9 & 10 - Finish @ 5pm

Friday - 6.3.26

- U13 Netball Tournament (Redruth)
Year 8 - Return @ 3.15pm

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 3

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.

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Meal	Piri Piri Chicken with Patatas Bravas, Spicy Rice, Peas	Beef Lasagne with Green Salad, Garlic Bread, Slaw	Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Green Beans	Sticky Chicken with Noodles, Broccoli, Steamed Coconut Rice	Battered Fish with Chips, Peas, Baked Beans
Plant Based / Vegetarian Main Meal	Quorn Chilli Burrito with Patatas Bravas, Spicy Rice, Peas	Vegetable Lasagne with Green Salad, Garlic Bread, Slaw	Vegetable Toad in the Hole with Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Green Beans	Vegetable Red Thai Curry with Noodles, Broccoli, Steamed Coconut Rice	Sweet Potato Falafel Gyros with Chips, Peas, Baked Beans
Street Food	Piri Piri Chicken Wrap	Chicken Burrito	Folded Tikka Naan	Pulled Pork Bap	Chicken Gyros
Takeaway Tubs	Penne Arrabiata or Tomato & Chorizo	Penne Arrabiata or Tomato & Mascarpone	Penne Arrabiata or Chicken & Tomato	Penne Arrabiata or Mac & Cheese	Penne Arrabiata or Roasted Vegetable
Pizza Slice	Margherita or Pepperoni	Margherita or Ham & Tomato	Margherita or Chicken & Sweetcorn	Margherita or American Hot	Margherita or BBQ Chicken
Jacket Potato	Available daily with a range of delicious fillings	Available daily with a range of delicious fillings	Available daily with a range of delicious fillings	Available daily with a range of delicious fillings	Available daily with a range of delicious fillings
Desserts	A SELECTION OF HOMEMADE CAKES	A SELECTION OF HOMEMADE CAKES	A SELECTION OF HOMEMADE CAKES	A SELECTION OF HOMEMADE CAKES	A SELECTION OF HOMEMADE CAKES



Meal Deal

Main Meal with vegetables and dessert



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

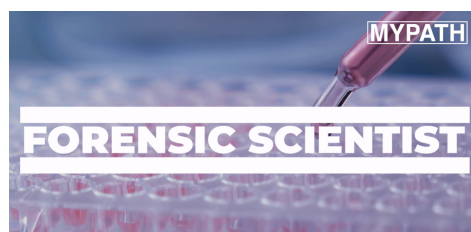
EVENTS NEXT WEEK (WEEK B)

[Link to the School Calendar](#)

- **Tuesday**
 - Year 9 Visit to Trevedra Farm, Sennen, 9am-3pm
- **Wednesday** - Pre-Loved Book Sale in the Main Hall at lunchtime.
- **Thursday**
 - Professional Photographer in school taking photos for marketing purposes.
 - Primary Dodgeball Festival, 12.45pm-3pm

CAREERS:

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



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

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 546 Praise Postcards! Please see below for this week's recipients.

