The Week at Pool Academy

Friday – 8.5.26

Messages:

Welcome to this week's edition of The Week at Pool Academy, which is full of exciting student success and key opportunities. Inside, we celebrate incredible sporting achievements, including victories in the U15 UR7s rugby tournament, a County Cup win, and the St Day Bal Maidens U14 Girls football team being crowned Championship League Winners. You can also find details on how students can earn house points by participating in National Get Caught Reading Month and get prepared for Godrevy's House Day on Thursday 21st May and learn how to contribute to the whole-school donation drive in support of Marie Curie.

- We are pleased to share an exciting opportunity for our students to learn about the RAF Air Cadets. The Cadets are holding an Open Day at RAF Portreath. The program is open to all students who are aged 12 and in Year 8 and above. If you or your child are interested in finding out more about the Air Cadets, please join them at the open day on Saturday 30th May. Further details can be found here.

Students:

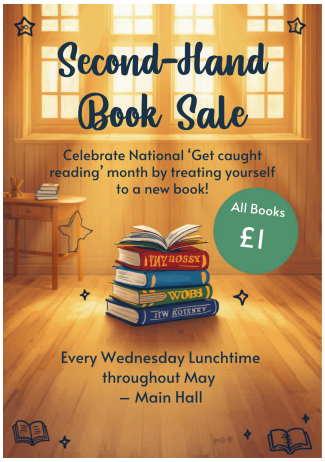


Year 10 student Jesse P, alongside his team the Moose's, claimed an impressive victory in the U15 UR7s rugby tournament. They remained unbeaten across all six matches, securing the overall win for the south during a fast-paced and exciting day of rugby.

Jesse delivered a strong performance throughout, but what really stood out was his outstanding attitude and sportsmanship. After finishing one of his matches, he stepped in to support another team who were short of players due to injury.

Not only did Jesse excel on the pitch, but he also demonstrated the respect and character that rugby represents. We are all very proud of his achievements!





May is National Get Caught Reading Month so why not treat yourself to something new to read!



Get Caught Reading Month has officially begun!

We've already had some brilliant entries from staff, who have been caught reading in a range of creative and unexpected places—setting the standard for the rest of the school.

Now it's over to students to get involved. Take a photo of yourself reading a physical book somewhere unusual (remember: not in school), and send it in to earn 10 house points per entry.

Students can submit multiple entries, so the more creative you are, the more points you can earn for your house.

We'll be sharing our favourite staff and student entries right here in TWAP every Friday, as well as on our social media—so keep an eye out and see if you can spot yourself.

Let's see which house rises to the top... and who gets caught reading next! 📚



Huge congratulations to Year 10 student Jake J, whose rugby team, Truro Under 15s, secured a fantastic victory by winning the County Cup on Sunday. Jake's achievement is a wonderful example of the talent within our student body.

Well done, Jake!

The Duke of Edinburgh's (DofE) Award continues to be a fantastic opportunity for our students, empowering them with confidence and valuable life skills. This guide has been created to support parents and carers with understanding the The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Bronze and Silver Awards. It includes key information about the programme, expectations, activities, and expedition requirements to help students successfully complete their DofE journey. We hope this guide answers any questions and encourages students to make the most of this exciting opportunity.



DE BRONZE

To all Bronze DofE participants: Monday's training will be a walk. Waterproofs and boots required. 1500 to 1700 session. Please don't forget your water bottle.



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:

Hannah C, Imogen C-G, Molyn, Alex G, Jake H, Tanatswa, Mia N, Mechaila, Amelia R, Adelina, Amaiah, Ethan W, Hollie W, Freya B, Evie B-F, Zac, Sam C, Lucy F, Neeve, Freya H, Josh M, Luke N, Jacob P, Lowenna, Hannah R, Amelia W, Sophia W, Jack W, Lola, Owen, Poppy, Wayne, Megan, Latheeba, Norutendo

Congratulations to this week's Carousel winners Rose C, Evie H, Molyn G, Joey S and Chelsea W.









Congratulations to this week's Creative Arts winners!

These students have been recognised for their enthusiasm, creativity, resilience, and excellent contributions across art, drama, and music lessons. Their hard work and positive attitude continue to make a fantastic impact within the department, and we are incredibly proud of their achievements.

Well done to all of this week's winners — keep up the excellent work!



Open Event & Taster at Cornwall College Camborne – THIS Saturday 9th May

Explore the range of courses
Tour the facilities & meet tutors
Get hands-on in a taster session
Plus - find out more about the new Rugby Academy & Hospitality Academy

[Book your FREE place for Sat 9 May]



English Stars of the Week!

A huge congratulations to our English Stars of the Week, who have impressed us with their hard work, focus and determination in lessons:

- Leyton – Year 11
- Megan – Year 11
- Daniel O – Year 11
- Isobel G – Year 11
- Harrison W – Year 10

We are incredibly proud of the effort, resilience and positivity these students continue to show. Keep up the fantastic work!





Godrevy's House Day – Thursday 21st May

Our final House Day of the year takes place on Thursday 21st May, and students will have the opportunity to take part in a range of exciting competitions, fundraising activities and House events throughout the day.

One of the activities planned is a whole-school donation drive in support of Marie Curie.

From Monday 18th May to Thursday 21st May, tutors will be collecting items that students and families are willing to donate.



Marie Curie are particularly looking for:

- High-quality clothing, especially spring and summer wear
- High-quality shoes, handbags and accessories
- Working and undamaged household items
- Jigsaw puzzles (with all pieces included), board games and toys

Please only donate items that are clean and in good condition, as damaged or stained items cost the charity money to dispose of.

Students can earn 10 House points for each item they donate.

Students will receive further information about all House Day activities during tutor time next week.

Thank you for your continued support.

We are thrilled to share an incredible sporting achievement by four of our students who play for the St Day Bal Maidens U14 Girls football team. The team was recently crowned Championship League Winners after a stunning season in which they only lost one league game.

A massive congratulations to the Pool Academy students involved in this winning team:

- Eleanor D (Year 9)
- Erin E (Year 9)
- Imogen K (Year 8)
- Emily P (Year 8)



Your Voice Matters: Complete 'The Big Future' National Survey!



A message for all students: Ensure your voice is heard at the highest levels of government by completing the Children's Commissioner's final national survey, The Big Future.

This survey is your chance to share the changes you want to see in your communities, your biggest concerns, and your hopes for the future. Most importantly, the Children's Commissioner wants to know what you think a good childhood should look like today.

Please complete the survey before the deadline of Friday 23rd October. You can access the survey here.

A big well done to this week's Sparx Spin the Wheel winners!

Each student chosen completed all of their homework successfully, demonstrating fantastic dedication, effort, and determination throughout the week.







SPARX READER CHAMPIONS

YEAR 7	
MACI W	4007
ETHAN M	1285
MAIA W	566

SPARX READER CHAMPIONS

YEAR 8	
KARINA S	1255
DEWANYA B	673
TIWATOPE A	531

SPARX READER CHAMPIONS

YEAR 9	
LOGAN D	641
LEAH W	555
CHLOEE R	394

SPARX READER CHAMPIONS

YEAR 10	
AVA C	436
KATIE L	421
AMELIA B	411

Classroom Clips: Music (Year 10)

Year 10 Music students have been working hard in practical lessons as they begin producing evidence for Component 2 of the BTEC Tech Award Level 1/2 in Music Practice. Students are developing their performance skills by identifying their individual strengths and areas for improvement, allowing them to select and refine pieces that showcase their abilities in the best possible light. Through rehearsals, feedback and reflection, students are building confidence, technical skill and stage presence as they prepare for their assessed performances.





Next Week's Sports Bulletin

POOL ACADEMY

SPORTING INSPIRATION PROGRAMME
3 – 4 pm Week Beginning 11th May 2026

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

Monday
Tennis (SBR) - All Years
Mountain Biking (JHO) - All Years

Tuesday
Athletics (MCR/TFO) - All Years

Wednesday
Rounders (MCR/SBR) - All Years

Thursday
Fixtures
Cricket/softball (TFO/JHO) - All Years

Friday
No clubs

Weekly Fixtures

Thursday - 14.5.26
- Rounders vs Mullion (Home)
  Year 7, 8, 9 & 10 - Finish @ 5pm

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



Events Next Week (Week A)

Link to the School Calendar

- **Monday**
  - DofE Bronze Training - Walk 3-5pm, meet at the Hut
- **Tuesday**
  - Year 9 Arts Bronze Award Trip to St Ives
  - DofE Silver Training, 3-4pm, Mr Kirby's room

Careers:

Each week we focus on a career pathway to highlight. This week we are looking at a career as a Landscape Architect. Please follow this link to learn more about careers as a Landscape Architect.

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

