

THE WEEK AT POOL ACADEMY

FRIDAY – 5.6.26

MESSAGES:

Welcome to the latest edition of the Week at Pool Academy.

This week has seen some fantastic achievements, with Year 8 students Theo L and Cory S finishing as runners-up in an international football tournament in Germany and Godrevy House winning the 'Get Caught Reading' Challenge.

We are also incredibly proud of our Year 11 students. Their calm, focused approach to their GCSE examinations has been a credit to themselves and our school community. We wish them every success as they complete the remainder of their exams.

Attention now turns to Year 10 students, who begin their mock examinations on 16th June. These exams provide an important opportunity to experience examination conditions and prepare for future GCSE success. Parents and carers can find the full mock examination timetable [here](#).

We are also pleased to launch our new school website, providing easier access to key information, news, events and resources. You can visit the website [here](#). As always, we welcome your feedback as we continue to develop and improve our communication with the wider school community.

- As Year 11 students prepare to leave school, we would be grateful for any donations of school uniform (once examinations have finished). The PE Department would also welcome any spare PE kit not being passed on to younger siblings. Donations can be handed in at Main Reception and will make a real difference to families in our school community.
- The Elevate Panthers U12 Girls are looking for new players. The team offers weekly coaching in a fun, supportive environment, with training taking place on Wednesdays from 6.00pm–7.15pm at Pencoys School, Four Lanes. Free taster sessions are available on 3rd, 10th and 17th June. For more information, contact Head Coach Christian Stephens on 07540 317646 or email upthebaggies@yahoo.com.

STUDENTS:



We're excited to be partnering with Cornwall College to give a group of our Year 10 students an incredible opportunity to explore careers in sport and rugby.

Students will take part in a specialist workshop and hear from former professional rugby player Josh Matavesi about his journey, experiences and advice for future success.

A fantastic opportunity to build aspirations, develop skills and discover future pathways.

The poster is for a workshop titled 'DREAM BIG. PLAY HARD.' in partnership between Pool Academy and Cornwall College. It features a photo of Josh Matavesi, an ex-professional rugby player, holding a rugby ball. The text includes 'WORKING TOGETHER.', 'EXPLORING CAREERS IN SPORT & RUGBY', and 'MEET INDUSTRY PROFESSIONALS'. It also lists the date as Friday 12th June, starting at 10:20 AM in the Main Hall, and includes the hashtag #DREAMBIG. At the bottom, it says 'BELIEVE IN YOUR POTENTIAL. BUILD YOUR FUTURE. #DREAMBIG'.

Our Get Caught Reading House Challenge has now come to an end, and we have loved seeing the many creative and adventurous places our students chose to enjoy a good book over the half term.

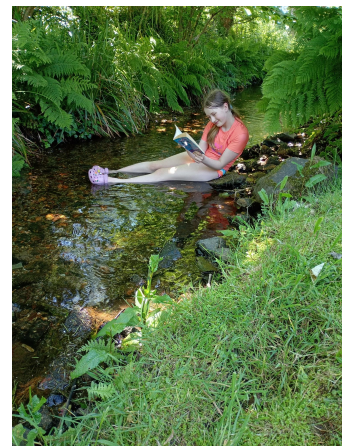
Congratulations to all those who took part and earned valuable points for their houses. A special well done goes to Godrevy House, who finished as overall winners with an impressive 170 points!

Final House Scores

- Godrevy – 170 points
- Portreath – 120 points
- Gwithian – 80 points
- Porthtowan – 60 points

Thank you to everyone who participated and helped make the challenge such a success. We hope it has inspired even more students to make reading part of their everyday adventures!

A huge well done to everyone who took part—and congratulations to ● Godrevy for taking the win! 🎉



Congratulations to Theo L and Cory S (Year 8) for their incredible success in a recent international football tournament in Germany.

The boys spent 10 days competing after being scouted by Kernow Youth Select and placed in the same team, 'Wolves', for the tournament. Their performance was outstanding: they were unbeaten in every game and topped first place in each category.

In the final, they were narrowly beaten 1-0 by a German team, ultimately coming runners-up out of 26 teams. This is a massive achievement, and we are extremely proud of them both!



🏆 Celebrating success in English! 🏆

A huge well done to 10WE2 (Mrs Clark's English class) for winning Sparky this week for outstanding Sparx Reader homework completion!

They've worked consistently, stayed engaged, and finished top of the leaderboard - a fantastic achievement that really shows commitment to independent reading and learning outside the classroom.

This was also Year 10's final week using Sparx, as they now move on to focused GCSE preparation using Carousel Learning. A brilliant milestone as they take the next step in their English journey.

Mrs Clark is absolutely thrilled with the effort and attitude shown by the whole class. A fantastic way to round off their Sparx work!

Well done, 10WE2 — keep it up as you head into GCSE prep!

Starbooks Returns!

Looking for a fun and welcoming way to spend part of your lunchtime?

Starbooks is back and open to all KS3 students. Whether you love reading or simply want a relaxed space to unwind with friends, there's something for everyone.

At Starbooks you can:

- Read and chat about books and stories
- Enjoy colouring and creative activities
- Play board and card games
- Meet new people and relax in a friendly environment

Starting Wednesday 10th June from 1.30pm to 1.50pm in Room EN2, run by Miss Smith

We can't wait to welcome you back!



Our final Quiz Night of the year will take place on Thursday 18th June. Following another closely fought and enjoyable evening at our last event, we hope to see plenty of teams taking part for one final quiz of the year!

A big well done to this week's Sparx Reader Champions! Each student successfully completed all of their homework, demonstrating fantastic dedication, effort, and determination throughout the week.

SPARX READER CHAMPIONS	
YEAR 7	
MACI W	3673
ETHAN M	2013
MAIA W	869

SPARX READER CHAMPIONS	
YEAR 8	
DEWANYA B	1032
PAUL S	879
TIWATOPE A	815

SPARX READER CHAMPIONS	
YEAR 9	
MACEY N	944
ABBIE CS	823
JASMINE C	725

SPARX READER CHAMPIONS	
YEAR 10	
AVA C	658
MICHAEL S	618
KATIE L	436

Well done to our Year 7 and 8 students who competed in the athletics competition at Carn Brea this week, in very testing weather conditions! They all improved their times on the track or distances in the field which was fantastic. Congratulations to Max who won his heat again and came 3rd overall in the 100m event. Special mentions go to our sports leaders, Aiden, Seb and Kody who supported the event and gained acknowledgement for their efforts from the officials and organisers. Well done!



Our Year 11s have been hard at work on their Carousel revision homework. Well done to all our students who have completed the homework, with a special congratulations to this week's Carousel Spin the Wheel Winner - Sonny!



CLASSROOM CLIPS: ENGLISH (YEAR 8)

Year 8 students have been working incredibly hard in English this week. Across all classes, pupils have continued their study of Lord of the Flies, developing their understanding of character, theme and writer's methods through thoughtful discussion and analysis.

Alongside this, students have been strengthening their reading skills through regular Lexia sessions and have completed their end-of-year reading age assessments. It has been fantastic to see the effort and focus shown throughout the year, with classrooms feeling purposeful, productive and full of positive learning.

We are extremely proud of the hard work, resilience and commitment our Year 8 students have demonstrated this week and look forward to seeing them continue to build on this success.



Next Week's Sports Bulletin

SPORTING INSPIRATION PROGRAMME 3 – 4 pm Week Beginning 8 th June 2026	
Weekly Extra-Curricular Activities (Please come to the Gym changing rooms at 3pm)	Weekly Fixtures
Monday Tennis (SBR) - All Years Mountain Biking (JHO) - All Years Tuesday Athletics (MCR/TFO) - All Years Wednesday Fixture Thursday Cricket/softball (TFO/JHO) - All Years Friday No clubs	Wednesday- 10.6.26 Rounders vs RL & Mullion (Home) Year 7, 8, 9 & 10 - Finish @ 5.15pm

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 2					
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.					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Meal	Beef Ragu with Diced Herb Potatoes, Sweetcorn, Penne Pasta	Katsu Chicken Curry with Coconut Rice, Potato Wedges, Slaw	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Broccoli	Pulled Pork with Cajun Wedges, Slaw, BBQ Beans	Battered Fish with Chips, Peas, Baked Beans
Plant Based / Vegetarian Main Meal	Vegetable Chilli with Diced Herb Potatoes, Sweetcorn, Penne Pasta	Spinich & Lentil Curry with Coconut Rice, Potato Wedges, Slaw	Quorn Roast Fillet with Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Broccoli	Mac & Cheese with Cajun Wedges, Slaw, BBQ Beans	Sweet Potato Falafel Gyros with Chips, Peas, Baked Beans
Street Food	Piri Piri Chicken Wrap	Chicken Burrito	Folded Tikka Naan	Pulled Pork & Stuffing Wrap	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](#)

- **Monday**
 - School Production Rehearsals, 3-5pm
 - DofE Bronze Training - 3-5pm, The Hut
- **Tuesday**
 - GCSE Exams: Combined Science and Physics Paper 1, 9am / Urdu Writing 1.15pm
 - School Production Rehearsals, 3-5pm
 - DofE Silver Training, 3-4pm, Mr Kirby's room
- **Wednesday**
 - GCSE Exams: Maths Paper 2, 9am / Geography Paper 2, 1pm
 - Tech Cornwall Careers / STEM Workshop (Year 10 - 9.10am-11.10am) (Year 9 - 11.25am-1.25pm)
- **Thursday**
 - GCSE Exams: History Paper 2, 9am
 - Silver DofE Expedition
- **Friday**
 - GCSE Exams: English Language Paper 2, 9am
 - Silver DofE Expedition
 - Healthy Eating Assembly, 10.10am-10.55am (Years 8 and 9)
 - Rugby School, Year 10 Aspiration Session with Josh Matavesi and Matt Shepherd, 10.30am-12 noon.

CAREERS:

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

Please follow [this link](#) to learn more about careers as an Interior Designer.

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

