

30th March
2026



Cardinham School Newsletter



A word from Mr Larcombe



Dear Cardinham School Community,

Spring Term is nearly complete, and this half term has flown by. Since I last wrote to you, we have had a very busy couple of weeks and have enjoyed welcoming a range of visitors into school. The children continue to impress me with their kindness and manners, something that is frequently commented on by those who visit. A highlight of my week continues to be spending time in the classroom and building strong relationships with all of the children. It really is the best.

I would like to draw your attention to our Behaviour and Relational Policy, available on our website. This policy underpins our whole-school approach and reflects our belief that strong relationships are at the centre of everything we do.

Children learn best when they feel safe, valued, and understood. The policy sets out how we recognise positive behaviour and celebrate children who consistently follow our school rules: being Ready, Respectful and Safe. It also outlines our reward system, designed to ensure that children feel acknowledged when they have done well. The approach has now been in place for four weeks. After gathering feedback from pupils, it is clear that they feel very positive about the changes. We will continue to listen to both children and staff to ensure our approach remains aligned with our school values. If you have any questions about the policy, I would be very happy to discuss it with you.

A reminder that we would like to invite parents of Squirrel Class to come and see the children's work on Thursday 2nd April. As we did when we opened the Nest for Deer Class, the school will open at 8:30am, giving families time to look through the children's work before drop-off. This was a great success previously, and we are excited to share the children's fantastic achievements once again.

This week, we look forward to welcoming families to Parents' Evening. During the meetings, families of Year 1 to Year 6 children will receive a short report summarising how their child is doing in the core subjects. This is not a replacement for the end-of-year report, which will cover a wider range of areas. Instead, these mini reports are designed to support discussions and provide a snapshot of progress in Reading, Writing and Maths. I hope you find them helpful!

It has been a brilliant Spring Term, and, as always, the team and I truly appreciate your continued support. If I don't see you at the gate in the next couple of days, I wish you all a restful Easter Break with plenty of sunshine and fresh air.

Best Wishes

Mr Larcombe

Diary Dates 2026



- Tuesday 31st March and Wednesday 1st April - Parents' Evening
- Wednesday 1st April - Friends of Cardinham Easter Bingo @ 6pm
- Thursday 2nd April - Last day of the Spring Term - School closes at 2pm
 - Friday 3rd - Friday 17th April - Easter Holidays
 - Monday 20th April - First day of the Summer Term
- Friday 24th April - Friends of Cardinham Spring Disco @ 6pm
 - Monday 25th - Friday 29th May - Half Term.
 - June 1st - June 3rd - Year 5 & 6 London Trip.
 - Friday 5th June - INSET Day.
 - Wednesday 17th June - Whole School Photos.
 - Wednesday 22nd July - Summer Fair - 2pm

Celebrating Success!!

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Pupil of the Week

Week commencing 16/03/26 Week commencing 23/03/26

Hedgehog Class -

Nursery : Thor,

Year R : Arlo,

Year 1 : Everyone!

Squirrel Class -

Year 2 : Ava,

Year 3 : Lizzie

Deer Class -

Year 4 : Barnaby

Year 5 : Charles H,

Year 6 : Annie

Hedgehog Class -

Nursery : Penny S,

Year R : Noa,

Year 1 : Everyone!

Squirrel Class -

Year 2 : Owen,

Year 3 : Thomas

Deer Class -

Year 4 : Flynn H,

Year 5 : Eloise,

Year 6 : Dolcie

'WOW' Wall

Week commencing

23/03/03/26

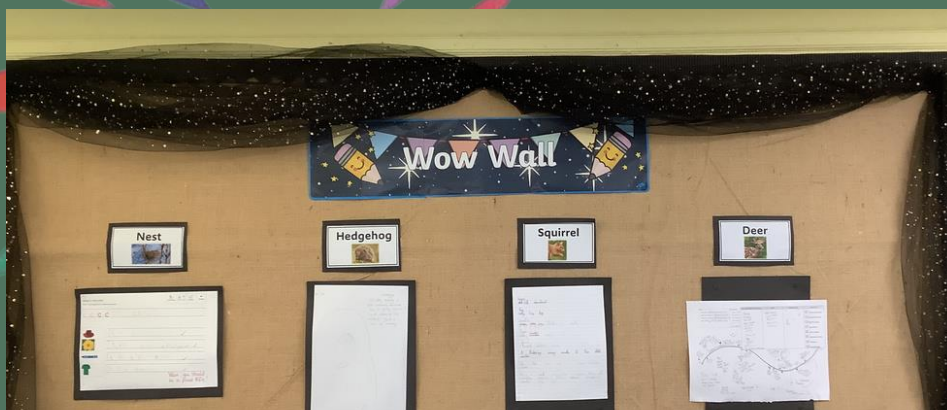
Nest - Alfie G

Hedgehog -

Carenza

Squirrel Class - Ava

Deer Class - Gracie



Class Update

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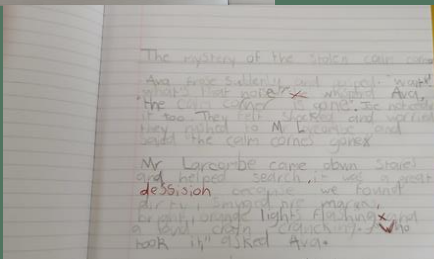
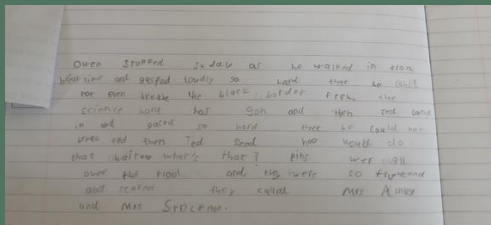
Hedgehog

What a busy two weeks it's been in Hedgehogs! The sun made a welcome appearance, allowing us to make the most of our wonderful outside space. We finally made it on our spring walk where we noticed daffodils, daisies and dandelions all beginning to bloom. Our continuous provision activities migrated outside, allowing us to explore the fun of both sand and water trays. We even managed a story or two in the Reading Den in the garden.

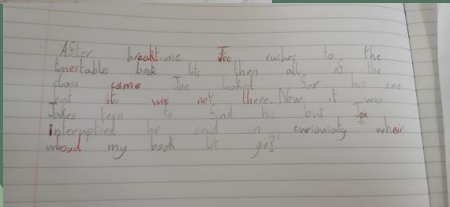
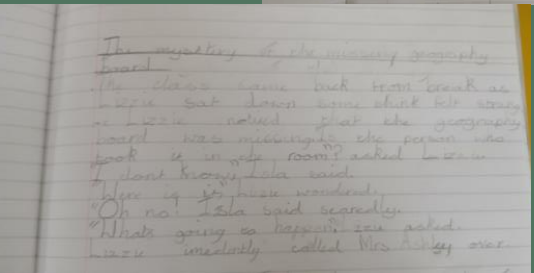
If anyone knows where the sun has disappeared to, Hedgehogs would very much like it to return!



Squirrel



Squirrels Class have been working incredibly hard to develop their writing skills, with a particular focus on using rich and varied vocabulary. They have thoroughly enjoyed planning their own mystery stories, exploring exciting ideas, building suspense and thinking carefully about how to engage the reader. The children have shown great enthusiasm and creativity throughout the process, and it has been wonderful to see their confidence grow as they experiment with ambitious language and imaginative storylines.



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Deer

This week in Deer class we have continued our brilliant learning. The children have worked hard building upon their narrative story plans, ready to write them up next week. In maths, children have been learning about coordinates and plotting on graphs. David Hockney has taken over our Art lessons, with each sketch book filled with some brilliant interpretations of his work. Well done for this week.



Landscapes

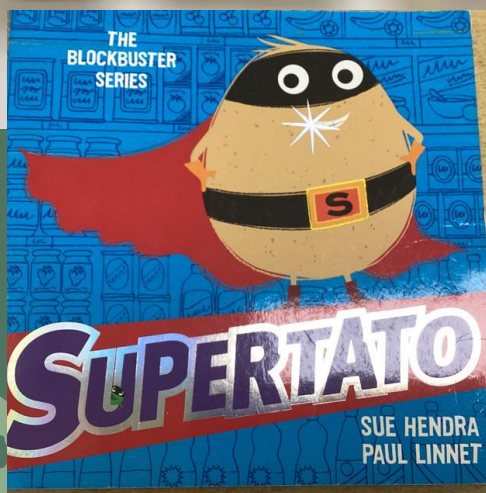
Inspired by the work of David Hockney.



The Nest



In the Nest our writing has been inspired by the book *Supertato*. We looked at adding adjectives to our sentences, describing Supertato's cape, mask and belt. This week we are retelling the story, writing sentences in the order that they happened in the book. In Science we have been looking at life cycles. We have investigated the life cycle of a frog, a butterfly and a bean. We have then planted some cress seeds and are eagerly waiting for them to grow.



Cardinham Community News



SPRING DISCO
FRIDAY 24TH APRIL
6PM - 7:30PM
CARDINHAM SCHOOL
TICKETS £3 - SEE MRS ASHLEY

Friends of Cardinham present



BINGO

WEDNESDAY 1ST APRIL 6PM CARDINHAM SCHOOL

Yummy prizes to be won!

Refreshments available, welcome to bring your own.

Cash only - 50p a game

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

MURDER MYSTERY £17.50 PER PERSON

Evening BAR AVAILABLE

Actors/ Performance from "Murder by Appointment"

SATURDAY 18TH APRIL

AT CARDINHAM PARISH HALL
7PM FOR 7:30PM START

CORNISH SUPPER INCLUDED BOOK YOUR PLACE WITH NIC BEST 07747724678 OR ON CPH FACEBOOK PAGE



NEAL'S YARD PAMPER EVENING



FRIDAY 8TH MAY 2026 - 7PM
CARDINHAM SCHOOL

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- Guided facial massage.
- Experiment with oils and serums.
- Games and quizzes.

£8 A TICKET

There will be a raffle on the night.

A goody bag for each person to take home and enjoy.

Please book your tickets via Danielle Ashley or Sonia Tucker

Play
Make friends
Learn new skills
Cricket for kids aged 8-11



All Stars Cricket
5-8 years of age starts on
11th May (Monday)
17:30 - 18:30

<https://ecb.clubspark.uk/Book/a83930c1-2925-4662-988f-0b271b988df5?venue=lanhydrock>

Dynamos Cricket
8-11 years of age starts on
11th May (Monday)
18:30 - 19:45

<https://ecb.clubspark.uk/Book/74bf311c-d863-40cb-81b4-6469596693c9?venue=lanhydrock>



Woodside Pre-Loved Uniform

We currently have a clothes rail set up at Woodside selling a selection of Pre-loved uniform. Please stop by at either morning drop off or afternoon collection to browse the selection available.

All funds raised will go to the PTA.
Thank you



GREAT NEWS!



We are delighted to be able to offer musical instruments and vocal lessons in your child's school that CMST will provide.

So that we can get your child's music journey underway, please go to our website to find out more and to sign up for your musical sessions.



Hear Music.
Learn Music.
Play Music.

For more information head to:
CMST.co.uk/learnmore

Sign Up at:
CMST.co.uk/signup





EASTER ROADSHOWS

7-17 APRIL | 9.30AM-3.30PM
BOYS & GIRLS ALL ABILITIES AGED 5-15



BOOK NOW!

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EAST CORNWALL / NORTH DEVON

Tuesday, 7 April
Lanivet Community Hub
Burraton Primary School - Multi-Sports

Wednesday, 8 April
Dobwalls Football Club

Thursday, 9 April
Saltmill 3G, Saltash

Friday, 10 April
Bude Football Club
St Joseph's School, Launceston

Monday, 13 April
Lanivet Community Hub
St Joseph's School, Launceston
Burraton Primary School - Multi-Sports

Tuesday, 14 April
St Teath Football Club
Holsworthy Youth Football Club

Wednesday, 15 April
Dobwalls Football Club

Thursday, 16 April
Saltmill 3G, Saltash
Chulmleigh Primary School - Multi-Sports

Friday, 17 April
Bude Football Club
Callington 3G
Polperro Football Club



Sponsored by:

The brightest fun run for everyone!

Saturday 20 June 2026 at RAF St Mawgan, Newquay

Sign up today chsw.org.uk/rainbow

rainbow RUN

Registered Charity No. 1002314

St Neot AFC

NEEDS PARENTS OF PRIMARY SCHOOL KIDS

- PLAYERS WANTED!**
Looking for primary school kids to join our new team!
- We are aiming to join the **Cornwall Youth League** for the 2026/2027 season.
- Could you help as a **coach or committee member?**

GET IN TOUCH TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST:

✉ stneotafclubsecretary@gmail.com

☎ **07733 038461**

📱 [@stneotafc](https://www.facebook.com/stneotafc)



Wasson Wednesdays



Easter Fun!

Wednesday 8th and 15th April

10am - 3.30pm

Site entry FREE

Egg Nature Trail £1

DIY Craft Kits £2.00

Spring Crowns £1

Pop up café serving drinks, snacks and cakes.

Join us for a fun-filled day celebrating spring.

Make a spring crown and explore our site on our egg themed treasure hunt.

We invite you to bring a picnic to enjoy in our beautiful grounds.

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The Rain Show

The Rain Show is an exciting show for children which will take place at Lavethan Barn near Blisland on Saturday 25 April at 10.30am. After visiting schools in the North East and Cornwall this is the only public performance. If the weather is kind, some of the performance will take place outdoors. Visitors are also welcome to explore the rather wonderful gardens before or after the performance.

The details are here:

<https://lavethan.co.uk/concerts-events>

Direct link: <https://lavethan.co.uk/concerts-events#calendar-ac3c8793-a198-465b-8e2a-e9db4b61b3ee-event-d0fb9fca-86a5-4cd5-b73f-4dd919c97356>

Tickets are free for children with a small charge for adults, which goes towards supporting the project.

Capacity in the barn is limited so book early to ensure a place.



History Recorders

Become a historian & artist this Easter holiday

Join us for a series of events this Easter as we celebrate the reopening of the Rapson Gallery & the new exhibition *In Reflection*

Photographs, Peacemakers and Pacifist Emily



Tuesday 7th April
Book a session with Rochelle from **Iris Photography South West** for a truly unique way to celebrate you.
Book via Photographer



Tuesday 7th April
Self Portraits - draw and style your own portrait with some fun techniques
10:30-11:30am & 1:30-2:30pm
Age 6+ FREE



Wednesday 8th April
Museum of Memories
Make a 3D museum using paper and photos
11:00am-12:30pm
Open to all ages FREE



Thursday 9th April
Meet an Archaeologist
A session on finds recording and photography
11:30-12:30 & 1:30-2:30
£5 per person



Friday 10th April
Family Memories Workshop
Turn your family photos into a photazine
11:00-12:30
Open to all ages FREE



Monday 13th April
Scrapbooking for kids
Learn how to start your own scrapbook
10:30-12:00pm & 1:30-3:00pm,
Age 6+ FREE



Friday 17th April
Scrapbooking for Adults*
Join us for a Cornish cream tea & an evening of grown up conversation & scrapbooking
6:00-8:00pm
£12 per person
*Over 18's only



Booking essential for all workshops
Full details on booking any session can be found on our website

VISIT TO

The Bird of Prey Centre



Saturday May 2, 2026
from 11am to 3pm

Winnards Perch, St Columb Major TR9 6DH

For families affected by terminal illness

Join us for a special in-person outing at The Bird of Prey Centre designed just for families coping with terminal illness. It's a relaxed, fun day to connect, learn about the birds, and enjoy some time together in nature. Bring the whole family and experience the wonder of these incredible birds up close in a supportive, friendly atmosphere.

Scan the QR code for more information



gunners kids

Web: gunnerskids.org



Attendance Message



If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £80 if paid within 21 days or £160 if paid after this but within 28 days.

If your child is further absent from school without authorisation within any 3-year period, you will be committing a further offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices for a second offence are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £160, payable within 28 days. Importantly, fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action such as a parenting order or prosecution will be considered.

Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may also result in legal action. If you are prosecuted and attend court because your child has not been attending school, you could get a fine of up to £2,500. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs. Absence not authorised by the school may also result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Again, Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs. Money raised from fines is only used by the local authority to cover the costs of administering the system, and to fund attendance support. Any extra money is returned to the government.

16/03/2026 - 27/03/2026

Whole School - 98.03%

Hedgehog - 99.44%

Squirrel - 97.14%

Deer - 97.42%

