



Friday 20th September 2024

# Halwin Headlines

We have enjoyed the sunshine this week and there has been lots of learning in the natural environment including Forest School, PE lessons, assembly, making potions and mud pies in the new playground kitchen, science lessons and even some Maths and Writing! Robins have been observing and identifying parts of plants in science this week as well as checking on the beans they are growing. Kingfishers have been studying the buildings the Anglo Saxons created and how these have progressed from the Iron Age. Owls have impressed us with their letter writing to Andy Shepherd, the author of our book: The Boy Who Grew Dragons. We hope he replies to our letters!

You will see our Open Day poster later in the newsletter and on social media — please share in the local community! We have lots of posters in the office if you know somewhere we could put up a poster, it would be much appreciated.

At Halwin, we know just how important reading is and we love hearing about children's reading at home, as well as their special book nooks, favourite books and authors and visits to the library. Extra team points are on offer for book reviews! Children in Owls and Kingfishers, using the Accelerated Reader programme have already read a total of 240,615 words since the start of term and children learning RWI phonics in Robins and Owls have been gaining team points for every home read ticked off in their RWI pink reading records. Well done.

I will be running a parent workshop about Accelerated Reader next Tuesday after school for parents of children in Y2 to Y6 and Mrs Tamblin will be running an EYFS and Y1 parents workshop about RWI phonics on Tuesday 8th October —we hope you can all join us.

Owls and Kingfishers now all have their logins for our new spelling online platform: Spelling Shed . They have been assigned this week's spelling and can practice them using the online games.

You will have received an email this week regarding signing up for Autumn Term clubs. We will confirm your club choices next week and clubs will commence w/c 30th September.

It was lovely to see families at our first Halwin Hive event on Tuesday. These events will be run regularly and everyone is welcome to come and socialise, play and eat! Thank you also to everyone using the Asda Rewards—we've already earned £79 from your shopping!

Have a lovely weekend.

## Get in touch

You can contact us via phone or email.

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Wrap-Around Care  
Booking Link attached.

## Attendance

We aim for all our children to have at least 97% attendance throughout the year.

Overall attendance for this week was 98.1%

See below for the attendance for each class last week.

Robins: 100%

Owls: 97.5%

Kingfishers: 97.2%

**Congratulations Robins!**



Next week's lunch menu **week 3**



# Halwin Heroes

This year we will be celebrating our Star of the Week and CARE champions every week!



**Confidence Aspiration Resilience Enjoyment**

	<b>Star of the Week</b>	<b>Confidence</b>	Aimée
Robins	Talia-Rose	<b>Aspiration</b>	Penny
Owls	Benjamin	<b>Resilience</b>	Alfie B
Kingfishers	Maddison	<b>Enjoyment</b>	Hudson

## Team Points

Blue— 168

Red—162

Green— 137

Yellow— 114

## Maths Whizz Hall of Fame

Owls: Alfie B, Benjamin, Harry, Henry,  
Lukas, Marley, Paisley, Rupert H-M,  
Poppy

Kingfishers: Amelia, Kai, Eli, Penny,  
Torron

# Notices and Events

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## Milk

Milk is provided free of charge to all children under the age of 5. Lots of children across the school often request milk. If you would like your child to have milk for their mid-morning snack you can register and pay on the Cool Milk website here: <https://coolmilk.com/parents/>

## PE

A reminder of the change to PE lessons this year. Children should wear their PE kit (navy school logo t-shirt, navy school logo hoodie, black or navy jogging bottoms or shorts, trainers) to school on their PE days. No jewellery please.

Robins – Tuesday (outdoor learning) & Wednesday

Owls – Monday & Wednesday

Kingfishers – Wednesday & Friday

Sorry for the short notice for change of PE days this week—hopefully a one off. Our PE Teacher Mr Warren has unfortunately sustained a sporting injury and will be covered by Mr Daniel Bray until Christmas.

## Secondary School Applications

The deadline for applications for transfer to secondary school in September 2025 is 31st October 2024: [School admissions - Cornwall Council](#)

## Attendance

The updated attendance policy is available on the school website: <https://halwin.croftymat.org/>

## Halwin Primary School Reads!



In this school year, students have read...

**51** Books

**240,615** Words

for **12** minutes/day!  
(individual student average)

RENAISSANCE  
**Accelerated Reader**

**Confidence Aspiration Resilience Enjoyment**

# Notices and Events



SAT OCT 5TH  
11AM-1PM



# OPEN DAY

COME AND LOOK  
AROUND OUR SCHOOL

PORKELLIS, HELSTON, TR13 OEG  
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Confidence **Aspiration** Resilience **Enjoyment**

# Diary dates—Autumn 1



Tuesday 24th September 3.15pm	Reading Parent Workshop: Y2—Y6
Friday 27th September	Class Photos
Thursday 3rd October	Census Day Menu Change—Harvest Feast
Saturday 5th October	Open Day
Tuesday 8th October 3.15pm	Phonics Parent Workshop: Reception & Y1
Fri 11th Oct—Fri 18th Oct	TTRS Hub Challenge
Monday 14th October	INSET Day—school closed to pupils
Tuesday 15th October	Maths Parent Workshop: Y1-Y6
Friday 18th October	Owls Trip—Rustikated Farm
Friday 18th October	Parent Assembly
Monday 21st October	Robins Trip—Helston Library
Tuesday 22nd October	Family Hive
Thursday 24th October	Biffa Waste Assembly—Owls & Kingfishers
Mon 28th Oct—Fri 1st Nov	HALF TERM
Monday 11th November	Nasal Flu Vaccinations
Mon 18th Nov & Thurs 21st Nov	Parent's Evening

# Diary dates

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## INSET Days 2024-2025

14th October 2024

24th February 2025

8th May 2025

2nd June 2025

23rd July 2025

## Secondary School Open Evenings

25th September

Helston College

26th September

Camborne Science & International Academy

# Cornwall Council

## 2024/2025 School Term Dates for Community and Voluntary-Controlled Schools



September 2024						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue		3	10	17	24	
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thurs		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

October 2024						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24	31	
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

November 2024						
Mon			4	11	18	25
Tue			5	12	19	26
Wed			6	13	20	27
Thurs			7	14	21	28
Fri		1	8	15	22	29
Sat		2	9	16	23	30
Sun	3	10	17	24		

December 2024						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue		3	10	17	24	31
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thurs		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

January 2025						
Mon		6	13	20	27	
Tue		7	14	21	28	
Wed	1	8	15	22	29	
Thurs	2	9	16	23	30	
Fri	3	10	17	24	31	
Sat	4	11	18	25		
Sun	5	12	19	26		

February 2025						
Mon		3	10	17	24	
Tue		4	11	18	25	
Wed		5	12	19	26	
Thurs		6	13	20	27	
Fri		7	14	21	28	
Sat	1	8	15	22		
Sun	2	9	16	23		

March 2025						
Mon		3	10	17	24	31
Tue		4	11	18	25	
Wed		5	12	19	26	
Thurs		6	13	20	27	
Fri		7	14	21	28	
Sat	1	8	15	22	29	
Sun	2	9	16	23	30	

April 2025						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24		
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

May 2025						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tue		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	
Sat	3	10	17	24	31	
Sun	4	11	18	25		

June 2025						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue		3	10	17	24	
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thurs		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

July 2025						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24	31	
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

August 2025						
Mon		4	11	18	25	
Tue		5	12	19	26	
Wed		6	13	20	27	
Thurs		7	14	21	28	
Fri	1	8	15	22	29	
Sat	2	9	16	23	30	
Sun	3	10	17	24		

### School holidays

### Bank holidays

Christmas Day	25 December 2024
Boxing Day	26 December 2024
New Years Day	01 January 2025
Good Friday	18 April 2025
Easter Monday	21 April 2025
May Bank Holiday	05 May 2025
Spring Bank Holiday	26 May 2025
Summer Bank Holiday	25 August 2025

### AUTUMN TERM (74 days)

3 September - 20 December 2024

(HALF TERM 28 October -1 November 2024)

### SPRING TERM (60 days)

6 January - 4 April 2025

(HALF TERM 17-21 February 2025)

### SUMMER TERM (61 days)

22 April - 23 July 2025

(HALF TERM 26-30 May 2025)

195 days are included on the school calendar. Schools will be open to pupils for 190 days. The five additional days are allotted for In-Service Training (INSET). Schools allocate their own INSET days.

# Halwin Hive

Autumn 2024

Tues 17th Sept

Tues 22nd Oct

Tues 26th Nov

Join us for our  
new regular  
family session

Chat with other  
parents, play a  
game, borrow a  
book, have a  
drink and cake

Parent Forum  
Have your say –  
talk to Mrs Carr  
about any whole  
school issues





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