



Friday 23rd May 2025

# Halwin Headlines

Despite being a short term, we have had a wonderfully packed schedule and the final week was no different! The children have continued to make the most of the recent sunshine, learning and playing outside and there has been no shortage of excellent learning. Across the school, children have continued to exemplify our **CARE values** and live out **The Halwin Way**: always being *Ready, Respectful, and Safe*. These are more than just words on our walls—they are the behaviours we celebrate every day in our classrooms, corridors, and playgrounds.

A special moment this week was the presentation of the Year 6 Leavers Hoodies during assembly today. These hoodies are a rite of passage for our oldest pupils and mark the beginning of the final chapter in their journey at Halwin. They wore them with pride—and rightly so. We are already looking forward to seeing everything they will accomplish in their last few weeks. A huge thank you to the Friends of Halwin for the hoodies. Congratulations to Year 3 and 4 who represented the school brilliantly at this week's small school hub dodgeball festival. They showed determination, teamwork, and sportsmanship throughout—and we are incredibly proud that they came 2nd place overall! What a fantastic achievement. Mr Warran is now busy organising a Cricket Festival for Year 5 and 6.

This week Robins have been learning how to improvise in music. They learnt a song and then played the notes C,D,E in time to the music. They then improvised and composed songs that reminded them of a friend. In D.T Year One finished their moving story books and EYFS have had a go at making their own moving story pictures. Owls enjoyed analysing the poem 'From a Railway Carriage' by Robert Louis Stevenson and then created their own versions of the poem. This afternoon they enjoyed publishing their work using the computers ready to display on classroom clipboards. Kingfishers explored air resistance in Science by conducting their own experiments to determine whether the shape of a parachute affected the speed in which it fell to the ground.

Mr Warran, our PE coach is looking forward to welcoming parents to join in with PE (cricket) on Thursday 5th June. Lace up your trainers and sign up using these links:

ROBINS 10-10.45am—<https://forms.gle/uZPGQbHQYDMtFcgU9>

OWLS 11am-12noon—<https://forms.gle/JAaoE5F22EHPBMLQ6>

KINGFISHERS 9-10am—<https://forms.gle/vPjvTXoUwXNiPrxGA>

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support. I wish you all a restful and enjoyable half term break. We look forward to welcoming the children back on Tuesday 3rd June, ready for the final stretch of the school year.

## Get in touch

You can contact us via phone or email.

01209 860329

[halwinsecretary@croftymat.org](mailto:halwinsecretary@croftymat.org)

## Wrap-Around Care Link

<https://forms.gle/JcdGaPMp9RtNAKoo9>

Or email Mrs Gee to book

## Attendance

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

Overall attendance for this week was 95.71%

See below for the attendance for each class last week.

Robins: 95.83%

Owls: 95.56%

Kingfishers: 95.21%

**Congratulations Robins!**



Next weeks lunch is **week 1**




**Confidence Aspiration Resilience Enjoyment**

# Halwin Heroes



Confidence **Aspiration** Resilience Enjoyment

	Star of the Week
Robins	Carter
Owls	Ina
Kingfishers	Eli

Confidence	Sam
<b>Aspiration</b>	Faith
Resilience	Torron
Enjoyment	Paisley

## Team Points

Blue—162

Red—205

Green—153

Yellow—107



Maths-**Whizz**®

## Hall of Fame

Owls: Zephyr, Rupert HM, Rupert B,  
Marley, Benjamin, Amber

Kingfishers: Penny, Eli, Amelia



# Notices and Events

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## Elemental

Please ensure you have made your payment on ParentPay and completed the online medical forms (deadline 30th May):

Y2, 3 and 4 <https://forms.office.com/e/PPx9nTmDF5>

Y5 and Y6 <https://forms.office.com/e/buUtxoEHtt>

## Collecting your child

If your child is going home with another adult please inform the school in person or via phone call or email to the office in advance. To safeguard your child, we will be unable to release them unless we have permission.

## Nits—all classes

Please check your child's hair for nits and treat if necessary. The NHS website provides useful advice: [Head lice and nits - NHS](#)

## Safety

Please ensure you close the school gate securely if entering/leaving the school site outside of normal drop off & collection periods to ensure we can keep all children safe.

Polite reminder that children under the age of 12 OR under 135cm tall should be in a car seat or booster seat.

[Child car seats: the law: Using a child car seat or booster seat - GOV.UK](#)

## Class arrangements for 2025-26

As you are aware, from September we will be moving to a 2 class structure. We have been busy making preparations for the new academic year and would like to share with you the staffing arrangements for September. We remain committed to ensuring continuity, strong relationships and high-quality teaching for all our pupils.

**Robins Class** – Years R, 1 and 2 – Mrs Tamblin & Mrs Carr



**Kingfishers Class** – Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 – Mrs Ellis

Our team of excellent teaching assistants will continue to provide support across the school, working flexibly to meet the needs of all classes and pupils.

We are pleased to confirm that Crofty Trust have been working closely with us to ensure that Mrs Blewitt, Mrs Vivian and Miss Tomba have secured roles elsewhere in the Trust, where their skills and experience will continue to be valued.

To support a smooth transition, we will be holding our whole-school Transition Day on **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July**. On this day, children will spend time in their new classroom settings with their new teacher(s), giving them a chance to begin building those all-important relationships and getting a feel for the year ahead.

# Halwin Celebrations



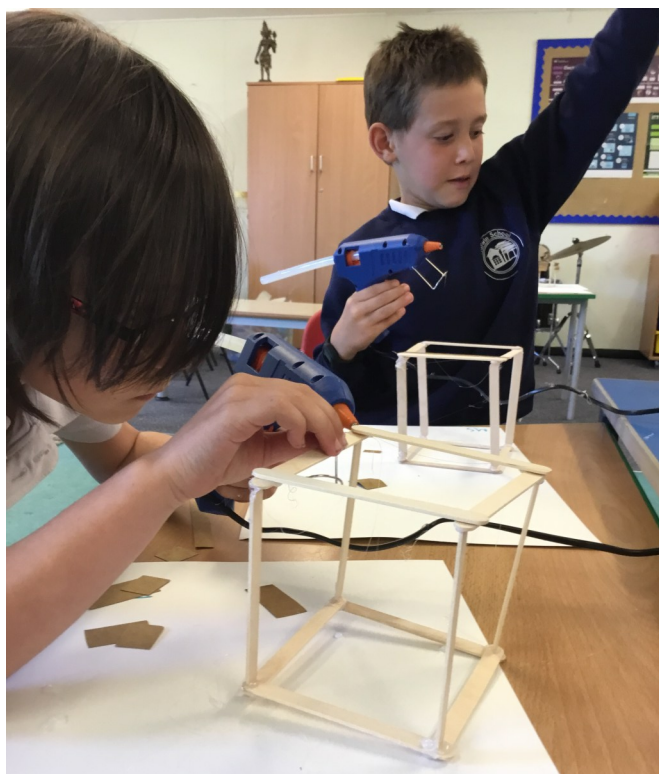
**Accelerated™**  
Reader

Congratulations for reaching your  
Summer 1 reading target:  
Alfie M, Amber, Carter, Kai,  
Bryn, Sam

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# Halwin Celebrations



Playtime adventures



Owls DT Structures



Robins sharing their stories with  
Kingfishers





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## Nyx's adventures



# Nyx's Words of the Week



This term we are focusing on developing vocabulary and with the help of Nyx, we are introducing Words of the Week. The children are introduced to 4 words each week and are encouraged to spot them in texts, use them in their speech and also in their writing. It would be great if you can celebrate when they use them at home as well!

**modify**

*Definition: make small or minor changes*

*Synonym: alter*

**detect**

*Definition: discover or identify the presence of*

*Synonym: find*

**assist**

*Definition: help someone, (by doing a share of the work)*

*Synonym: help*

**distribute**

*Definition: give a share of something to others*

*Synonym: give out*



# Diary Dates—June



Monday 2nd June	INSET day—school closed to pupils
Tuesday 3rd June 3.15pm	Isles of Scilly Residential Parent Meeting
Thursday 5th June	Family Learning Sessions—PE (cricket)
w/c 9th June	Sustainability Week
Monday 9th June	Year 5 Parents & Pupils - HCC Roadshow 3.15pm
Tuesday 10th June	Family Hive 3.15-4pm
Thursday 12th June	Robins Beach Visit
w/c 16th June	Y5/6 Isles of Scilly Residential
Monday 23rd June & Friday 27th June	Bikeability
Wednesday 25th June	Elemental—Owls and Kingfishers
Thursday 26th June	Class Photos
Friday 27th June	Parent Assembly

























# Diary Dates—July








Tuesday 1st July & Wednesday 2nd July	Helston Transition Days—Year 6
Tuesday 1st July	Eco Council Summit @ Treloweth NEW DATE Dance workshops
Wednesday 2nd July	Wellbeing Wednesday—non school uniform
Thursday 3rd July	Sports Day (am) RNLI water safety talk (pm)
Monday 7th July	Open Day 10am-2pm Teddy Bears Picnic—Robins class including new EYFS for September 2025. Parents invited.
Tuesday 8th July	Coastal Crew Summit @ Porthleven NEW DATE Family Hive 3.15-4pm
Tuesday 15th July	Transition Day
Wednesday 16th July	Fairview Farm visit—EYFS (am) and Year 6 (pm)
Friday 18th July	End of Year Celebration Assembly—Parents welcome
Monday 21st July	Y6 Leavers Evening 6pm
Tuesday 22nd July	Last day of Term
Wednesday 23rd July	INSET day—school closed to pupils

# WEEK 1

W/C: 21/04/2025, 12/05/2025, 02/06/2025, 23/06/2025, 14/07/2025, 15/09/2025, 06/10/2025

		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Served with Garlic and Herb Bread 	BBQ Chicken Served with Rainbow Rice 	Roast Chicken Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Classic Beef Burger Served with Potato Wedges	Battered Pollock Served with Chips 
		OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
	OPTION 2	Cheesy Bean Tortilla Toastie Served with Potato Wedges 	Macaroni Cheese  	Roast Quorn Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy 	Quorn Burger Served with Potato Wedges  	Veggie Fingers Served with Chips   
		OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
	OPTION 3	Tomato Pasta Fresh, Homemade Tomato Sauce with Pasta  	Tomato Pasta Fresh, Homemade Tomato Sauce with Pasta  	Tomato Pasta Fresh, Homemade Tomato Sauce with Pasta  	Tomato Pasta Fresh, Homemade Tomato Sauce with Pasta  	Tomato Pasta Fresh, Homemade Tomato Sauce with Pasta  

HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD



DELI DISHES	OPTION 4	Ham Wrap	Ham Baguette	Cheese Wrap 	Ham Baguette	Ham Wrap
		OR	OR	OR	OR	OR
	OPTION 5	Cheese Baguette 	Tuna and Sweetcorn Wrap	Egg Mayo Baguette 	Cream Cheese and Cucumber Wrap 	Cheese Baguette 

DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD

DESSERT	Shortcake 	Chocolate Brownie 	Banoffee Pie	Ginger Biscuit Served with Fruit  	Strawberry Ice Cream
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**BAKED POTATOES SERVED DAILY**

With a choice of toppings  



**AVAILABLE DAILY**

Fresh fruit, salad, yoghurt and water



Vegetarian



Vegan



Oily Fish



Wholegrain



Fruity!



Nutritionist's Choice

Our menu is subject to change. Please be assured that all notified medical diets and allergy requirements will be safely catered for

# Notices and Events



## Attendance

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

There are 175 non-school days in a year and 190 school days each year.						
Absence in terms of days	190 school days in each year	7 days absence  183 days in school	10 days absence  180 days in school	19 days absence  171 days in school and the equivalent of a month not in school that year	28 days absence  162 days in school  If it 85% each year, your child is missing the equivalent of a year of education over their time at primary school	47 days absence  143 days in school
	190 days for your child's education					
percentage	100%	96%	95%	90%	85%	75%
	<b>Good</b> -Best chance of success -Gets your child off to a flying start -Helps their confidence, social development as well as their academic progress -Over 97% is considered excellent attendance		<b>Some Concern</b> -Harder for your child to make progress -School starts tracking your child's attendance closely, <u>Medical</u> evidence may be required to authorise further absences linked to illness	<b>Worrying</b> -Your child is now classified as a 'persistent absentee'  - Education Welfare Officer involvement is likely	<b>Serious Concern</b> -Having a significant impact on your child's education and well-being  -Legal Action may be taken	

# Attendance

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School doors open at 8.40am and registration is taken at 8.45am. Children who arrive after the registration period has closed (9.05am) may be recorded with an unauthorised absence mark for the morning session.

The Government does not support parents taking children out of school, unless the school agrees this is appropriate under 'exceptional circumstances'. The DfE does not consider a need/desire for a holiday or other absence for the purpose of leisure/recreation to be an exceptional circumstance. If you consider that your request for absence is exceptional you will need to complete the 'Leave of Absence Exceptional Circumstances' request form. Letters will not be accepted. This form should be returned to the school office at least 15 school days before the start of the absence. A response will be sent to you as soon as possible. If leave is not authorised and you nevertheless withdraw your child from school, the absence will be recorded as unauthorised absence. There is now a national threshold of 10 unauthorised sessions (equivalent to 5 school days) within a rolling 10 school week period for when a penalty notice must be considered. Under the new rules, taking your child out of school for a one-week holiday will now mean that a penalty notice must be considered. Please note the legal information below:

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.

'Parent' as set out in Section 576 of the Education Act 1996, defines parent to include: natural parents, whether they are married or not; any person or body who has parental responsibility for a child (as defined by the Children Act 1989) and; any person who, although not a natural parent, has care of a child. Having care of a child means a person with whom a child lives and who looks after a child, irrespective of what their relationship is with said child.





# Halwin Hive

Summer 2025

Tues 29th Apr

Tues 10th June

Tues 8th July

Join us for our  
regular fun  
family session  
3.15pm  
School Hall

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



**HELSTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

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## Community Open Evening



**Wednesday 25 September 2025**

**5.00pm – 7.00pm**

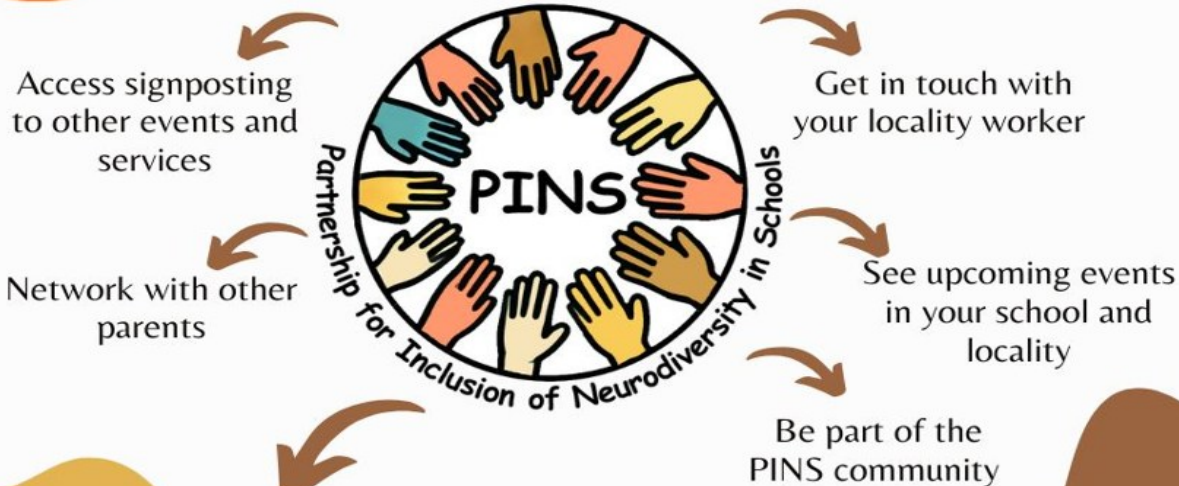
Parents/carers of students in Years 5 and 6 are invited to attend our annual Community Opening Evening. This event will give you and your family the opportunity to explore the campus, meet the staff and experience a large number of activities relating to the life and work of this friendly and successful College.

Headteacher, Mr A Lingard, will briefly introduce the aims and ethos of the College at 5pm and again at 5.45pm in the North Site Main Hall. Tour Guides will be on hand to lead you around the campus to the different faculties.





## PINS CORNWALL PARTICIPATION GROUP ON FACEBOOK



## PINS Coffee Morning



### Hayle Family Hub

MAY 23<sup>RD</sup> 2025  
10.30AM - 12PM

A chance for all the parents/families of PINS schools to come together, talk and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee.

Hosted by locality worker Lauren Ladd - you book your place please email: [laurenlpcc@outlook.com](mailto:laurenlpcc@outlook.com)





# Dragonfly Fun

Wednesday 28th May

10.00 am - 3.30 pm

Site Entry **FREE**

Craft activities **FREE**

Dragonfly Trail **FREE**

Badge Making **£1.00** ( suggested donation)

Dragonfly Crafts **£1.00** ( suggested donation)

Pop up café serving drinks,  
snacks and cakes.

Come and join us for our fun family event to  
learn about dragonflies and hopefully see the  
newly emerged dragonflies near our pond.

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Scan to find us  
on Google maps



Well behaved dogs on leads welcome



U18's must be accompanied by an adult

