

THE HALWIN HEROLD



WEEKLY ROUNDUP - FRIDAY 12TH JUNE 2026

Good afternoon and welcome back to another edition of the Herold.

This week we have had a specific focus on Sustainability with our Kingfishers class studying the Lithium industry and how this is becoming a growing business within the south west. Whilst our Robins class dived into the effects of deforestation and the impact this is having on our environment, both locally and internationally.

Throughout the week, our children have learnt and reflected on both these economical issues and their impacts on our current generation and what this might mean for the future generations - particularly with the ongoing climate concerns. Our children spent time researching, evaluating and discussing potential solutions to the current problems, with our Kingfishers class creating a webpage which explained the issue and potential solutions to encourage a greener movement for the future.

We are looking forward to sharing our children's learning with the wider trust as our partner schools have also been using this week to study sustainability and we look forward to launching further initiatives in the future to reduce our carbon footprint.

In other news, we were able to welcome our new families to Halwin on Wednesday afternoon where our new reception children joined our Robins class for a stay and play session. Throughout the afternoon, the current Robins class learned alongside the children and were fantastic ambassadors for the school, already displaying the many inclusive qualities that we encourage day to day. Well done Halwin on another super week.

MR RICHES

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Week Beginning: 15/06/26

Week choices **1** from the Spring/Summer Term menu.

Please see Chartwells meal menu on the school website for details or scroll to the end of the Newsletter.

ATTENDANCE

As a school we aim for all our children to have at least 97% attendance throughout the year.

Overall attendance for Halwin this week was:

93.5%

Attendance for each class this week:

Robins: 96.67%

Kingfishers: 91.6%

Congratulations Robins Class!

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Wrap-Around Care link:

<https://forms.gle/ZndDZWf2Pq5VPRM8>

ROBINS CLASS RECAP

This week 'Sustainability' has been the main focus with discussions being placed around deforestation and its impact on the planet. The children have spent time looking at the impact of deforestation in rainforests, whilst also understanding the impacts that this may have on the local wildlife.

Following this, the children created posters to encourage ways of recycling to avoid the need to cut down further forests and trees, whilst also raising awareness of the impact this has on animals.

Using the deforestation theme, Robins also used this to create a story where deforestation has taken place and what happened following this event. By using their learning, they were able to describe how nature recovers and provided a positive ending to a tricky issue.

Well done Team Robins on another amazing week.



HALWIN HEROES

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STARS OF THE WEEK



 ROBINS	All of Year 1 for amazing Phonics!
 KINGFISHERS	Marley & Eryn!

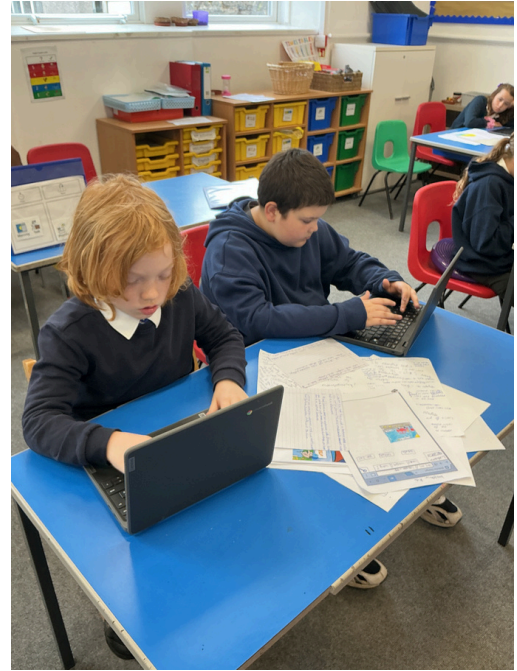
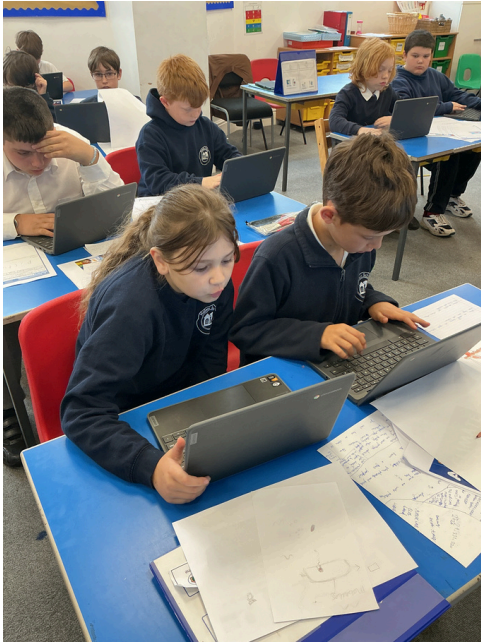


CARE CHAMPIONS

Confidence	Freyja
Aspiration	Carter
Resilience	Rupert
Enjoyment	Poppy

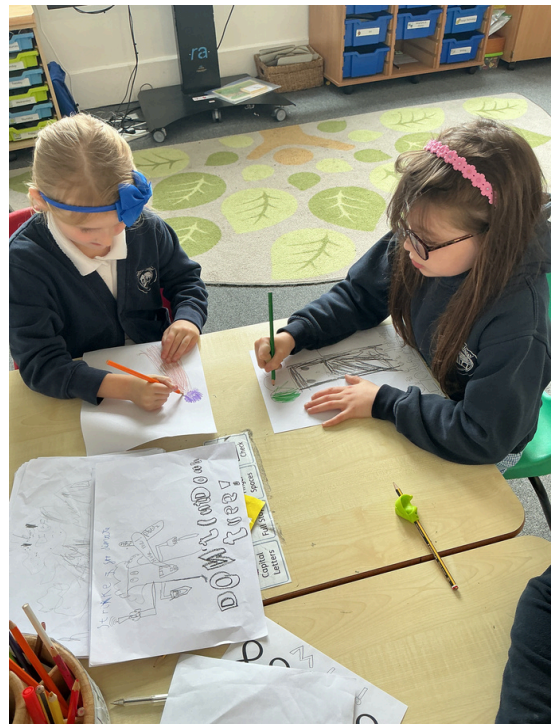


SUSTAINABILITY WEEK



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SUSTAINABILITY WEEK 2



SUSTAINABILITY WEEK 3



TEAM POINTS



BLUE

88



RED

117



GREEN

103



YELLOW

56

HALL OF FAME

WHIZZ OF THE WEEK



Amelia



KEY DATES

Wednesday 17 th June	Bristol Residential Information Meeting @ 3:20pm & 5:00pm
Friday 19 th June	School Class Photographs
Monday 22 nd June	Inset Day
Wednesday 24 th June	Stay and Play for New Reception Starters
Wednesday 1 st July	Wellbeing Wednesday
Monday 6 th July	Move up transition story time
Monday 6 th - Wednesday 8 th July	Year 6 transition days to Helston Secondary School
Tuesday 7 th July	Move up transition afternoon
Wednesday 8 th July	Move up transition day
Thursday 9 th July	Sports Day
Wednesday 15 th July - Friday 17 th July	Year 6 Bristol Residential

ATTENDANCE

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

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.

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There are 175 non-school days in a year and 190 school days each year.

190 school days in each year	183 days in school	180 days in school	171 days in school and the equivalent of a month not in school that year	162 days in school	143 days in school
190 days for your child's education	10 days absence	19 days absence	28 days absence	47 days absence	
100%	96%	95%	90%	85%	75%
Good -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	Some Concern -Harder for your child to make progress -School starts tracking your child's attendance closely, Medical evidence may be required to authorise further absences linked to illness	Worrying -Your child is now classified as a 'persistent absentee' - Education Welfare Officer involvement is likely	Serious Concern -Having a significant impact on your child's education and well-being -Legal Action may be taken		

CHARTWELLS MENU

WEEK 1

W/C: 04/05/2026, 15/06/2026, 06/07/2026, 07/09/2026, 28/09/2026, 19/10/2026

		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges 🌱	Beef Bolognese with Wholewheat Pasta 🌱🍷	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy 🍷	Homemade Sausage Roll with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	Battered Pollock with Chips
	OR					
	OPTION 2	BBQ Vegetable Wrap with Wholegrain Rice 🌱🍷🍷	Vegetarian Bolognese with Wholewheat Pasta 🌱🍷🍷	Sweet Potato and Chickpea Roast with Roast Potatoes and Gravy 🌱🍷	Macaroni Cheese 🌱🍷	Quorn Dippers with Chips 🌱
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OPTION 3	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🌱🍷	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🌱🍷	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🌱🍷	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🌱🍷	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta 🌱🍷	

HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD

DELI DISHES	OPTION 4	Ham Wrap	Tuna Wrap	Ham Wrap	Tuna Wrap	Ham Wrap
	OR					
OPTION 5	Cheese Sandwich 🌱	Ham Sandwich	Cheese Sandwich 🌱	Cheese Sandwich 🌱	Cheese Sandwich 🌱	

DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD

DESSERT	Vanilla Slice with Melon Wedges 🌱	Oat Cookie 🌱	Strawberry Shortcake Mousse	Strawberry Jelly - with Fruit Slices 🌱🍷	Chocolate Ice Cream
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BAKED POTATOES SERVED DAILY

With a choice of toppings 🌱🍷



AVAILABLE DAILY

Fresh fruit, salad, yoghurt and water



What's on in Helston



**MAYOR'S
COMMUNITY
PICNIC**

Sunday 14th of June
From 2pm, with music until 4pm
at The Boating Lake and Coronation Park

Bring your own lunch, or buy it at the Boating Lake Cafe

Parent Portal This weeks focus Sibling Rivalry

Tips on how to manage conflict between siblings.

Please follow the QR code to book.



Child led play and special time

The team discuss the importance of child-led play and how dedicating just 10 minutes a day to this can make all the difference to your child's development and wellbeing



Follow the podcast logo to listen!

Yoga in the park!

Free yoga classes every
Sunday 8:00 am -
9:00am
at Coronation Park.

Click the picture for more information or visit lovehelston.co.uk



ONLINE SAFETY UPDATE

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

ESSENTIAL ONLINE SAFETY

Children and young people use the internet every day to learn, play, and connect, but the online world is not always safe. For adults, it can be hard to keep up with the risks, including harmful content, cyberbullying and scams. These 10 tips provide clear and practical advice to support safer and healthier digital habits, helping young people to make informed, secure choices when using technology.

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SWIPE FOR TIPS →

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- 1 START EARLY CONVERSATIONS
- 2 PROMOTE SAFER SHARING
- 3 ENCOURAGE DIGITAL BALANCE
- 4 CREATE A SAFE SPACE FOR CONCERNS
- 5 STAY INFORMED AND CURRENT

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- 6 TEACH CRITICAL THINKING
- 7 SET CLEAR BOUNDARIES
- 8 LEAD BY EXAMPLE
- 9 EXPLORE PRIVACY SETTINGS TOGETHER
- 10 KNOW WHERE TO GET HELP

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ADDITIONAL NEWS



Armed Forces Community Drop-In Session



Come along for an informal drop in session and an opportunity to speak to Active Plus team members about support available to the Armed Forces Community.

Wednesday 6th July 2026, 3:45pm - 4:30pm

Report to Main Reception at Helston Community College (North Site)

Open to all members of the Armed Forces Community including Serving Personnel, Veterans, Spouses/Partners and family members.

SUPPORTING MILITARY FAMILIES IN OUR COMMUNITY

Active Plus is a charity that helps veterans, serving personnel, and military families access support and advice when they need it.

At this free information session, parents can find out about the help available for military families, including support with:

-  Health and wellbeing
-  Mental health
-  Employment and training
-  Housing and financial concerns
-  Building local connections and reducing isolation



Military life can bring unique challenges for both adults and children. Active Plus can help families find the right support and connect with services in their local community.

Whether you are currently serving, have served in the past, or are part of a military family, come along to learn what support is available and how it could benefit you and your children.

[ActivePlus Community Information Event – Fill out form](#)