



**ST DAY & CARHARRACK PRIMARY SCHOOL**

# **NEWSLETTER**

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## Vision and Values

We are the **CHANGE-MAKERS** of OUR WORLD!

**ENJOYING, ENGAGING, EXCELLING**

Happy, healthy children, **enjoying** learning for life - surrounded by kind, respectful relationships and **engaging** in rich learning experiences. **Together** we will enable and encourage **ALL** our children to discover their unique gifts of character, talents and abilities. Our children will enthusiastically contribute to society, **excelling** in all they choose to do. They will communicate confidently, listen openly, think critically and question respectfully – our children will be the responsible **Change-Makers of Our World**.

### LIVING OUR VALUES

**ENJOYMENT**

Laughing - Loving - Learning

**ENGAGEMENT**

Communicating - Collaborating - Contributing

**EXCELLENCE**

Be your best - Be even better - Be brilliant



# We are a Rights Respecting School

2024 – 2027



**Rights  
Respecting  
Schools**

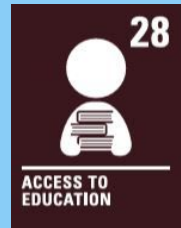
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Rights Aware**

## Autumn Term Rights Focus

Across all classes, we are building positive relationships and discussing the **United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child**. Staff and children are working together to create safe and happy classrooms where everyone's voice is heard and we can all **Enjoy, Engage, and Excel**. Every class has now completed their very own 'Class Charter' to support a positive learning environment and to ensure that 'Rights' are respected, protected and promoted for everyone in our School community. Please go to your child's class page to view their Class Charter.



**We are working towards GOLD...**



## A message from Ms Storey

We are looking forward to seeing you all on Wednesday for our 'Parent Partnership' meetings - come and see all the super learning that has already happened in books, classrooms and across school. Do take a look at the displays in our corridors - our children and staff are proud of everything we are achieving. Can you add to our 'We Are Diverse' display? In addition to visiting your child's classroom - please pop down to our new art space where Miss Clark can share your child's sketchbooks and artistic talents so far. Please take a look at our 'Music Makers' in 'News from around the school' - music is equally celebrated and valued by our staff and children. Mr Hughes is leading weekly whole school singing which is sounding fantastic! This last week, our children have been able to explore and share a range of ideas for positive mental health. Art, music, sports and being outside in nature are all high on our list. Do take a look at your child's 'My Brilliant PLACE to Be Me' wellbeing journal on Wednesday. We are fortunate that every child in Key Stage 2 has been provided with one of these lovely books to work through and our younger children are able to access the same resources. It has been a pleasure hearing from the children about all the wonderful things they do with you at home to be 'happy'.

**World Mental Health Day**  
**#HelloYellow**

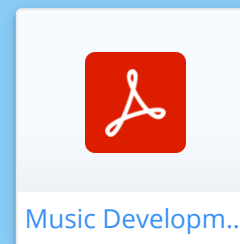


# News from around the school

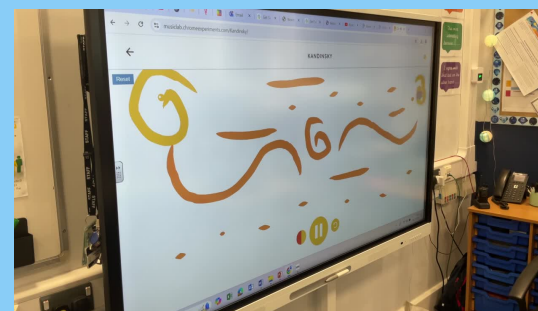
## Music Makers

Over the last few weeks, it has been brilliant to hear so much music from around the school. Classical, jazz, gospel, zulu, brass and even rock. The children are loving our new music curriculum and with the extra-curricular activities we offer, the children have an abundance of engaging musical activities to sample. I've heard drums, trombones, guitars, singing and even the faint tinkling of a piano. I am also very lucky to be situated next to our music room so I hear the wonderful, soothing sounds of music therapy and individual instrumental lessons.

Music is very much the universal language anyone can understand. There are no barriers when it comes to creating sound. This week, Sapphire Class took their music a little further by creating music digitally. We are always striving for new ways to share music with the children and this proved a fantastic hit. With the starting of choir just around the corner, our music offer just goes from strength to strength.



Please read  
our Music  
Development  
Plan for  
2024 - 2025.





# News from around the school





## Parent Partnerships - RRS Article 18

### 'Every Child, Every Day - a Reader and a Writer'

Thank you for all of the Kindness Poems handed in - we will be sharing them in assembly next week.

One line that stood out written by a year 6 child:

'Kindness is something you can share and something you can give'

A great message for us all!

This week, as part of our Hello Yellow day, we have been talking about our Happy Places and what makes us happy.

Can you write about your real or imaginary Happy Place. Click on the link to listen to Michael Rosen describe something that I'm sure makes lots of us happy!

Here are some things to consider when writing about your happy place it could be a poem or description:

- What is the setting of your happy place?
- What would be in your happy place?
- Who would be in your happy place?
- What colours can you see?
- What can you hear?
- What can you smell?
- What can you feel?
- What can you taste?



# Parent Partnerships - RRS Article 18

## News from home

Carter is very proud of himself. He finished the final book in the Harry Potter series this week. It's taken him nearly 18 months with a few detours through other smaller book series in between, but he was super excited to have now finished all seven books totalling a whopping 1,084,170 words!

Well done Carter!





# COMICS PLUS - FREE e-resources from Cornwall Libraries

## 'Every Child, Every Day - a Reader and a Writer'

The Team at Cornwall Library's would love to introduce you to an exciting and **FREE** resource available that you can use to engage your child with reading.

**Comics Plus**, an engaging digital platform designed to encourage reading among children of all ages. Providing a wide range of eComics and graphic novels that can captivate even the most reluctant readers, **Comics Plus** makes reading a fun and enjoyable experience.

There are several ways to get started, all of which are free:

- Sign-up to a library branch online ([www.cornwall.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/libraries))
- Visit a local library branch to sign up as a member
- Use an individual borrower number (Children have received their number this week). Should you need these again, please follow the instructions opposite to create your own.

Information Classification: CONTROLLED



Dear,

Each student in your school will be given an electronic library card number which will allow them free access to e-books and e-audiobooks through the **Borrowbox** library app, as well as free comics through the **Comics Plus** app. There are no overdue charges, no loan charges - it is all completely free! In addition to this, dual language e-books can be loaned via the website LOTE4kids.

Pupils will be able to access this material in school and from home if a mobile device is available.

**Borrowbox** contains an ever growing collection of e-books and e-audiobooks. It has already been activated on the school iPads, if you wish to log in from home with a different device you will need to:

- Download the **Borrowbox** app
- Sign in.
- In the Library box select **Cornwall Libraries Primary School**
- Type your new library card number in the **Borrower Number** box
- Your **PIN** is the last 4 digits of your membership number
- You're all set. Any current loans from your school iPad will carry across onto a new device.



(Just like in a real library some books will have waiting lists. If a book you want is not available immediately click **Reserve** and add yourself to the end of the queue. If waiting lists become too long Cornwall Libraries will buy extra copies.)

**Comics Plus** is a fantastic APP that is also free with your user number. The APP contains a range of comics and graphic novels for people to enjoy. To log in you will need to:

- Download the **Comics Plus** app
- Type Cornwall Libraries UK - Children's Library into the search bar for your library
- Type in your **electronic Library Card number**
- Enter your **PIN** which is set to the last 4 digits of your Library Card number



**LOTE4kids** is a fantastic website of e-books in over 65 languages. To access the site, complete the following steps:

- Go to [lote4kids.com](http://lote4kids.com)
- Enter 'Cornwall Libraries' in the 'Find your library or school' search bar on the right-hand side of the page.
- Enter your electronic Library membership number where it says 'Please enter your Library Barcode'.
- Enjoy reading books for FREE.



# Celebrating Attendance

Be an attendance HERO - aim for 96% and above!

Thank you families - being 'on time' is having a positive impact on our whole school environment with a productive and settled start to the day for everyone!



Opal	97.9%
Amber	97.1%
Emerald	100%
Sapphire	95.0%
Turquoise	94.6%

Well done to Opal and Amber for having attendance above 96% and a super achievement by Emerald - for reaching 100% - Excellent!

## REMINDERS

Please remember to complete an 'absence request form' in advance if you know your child will not be in school. Every family has received information from Cornwall Council regarding 'Penalty Notices'. We are unable to authorise term time holidays. Thank you to families who have maintained open and honest communication with us - it is supportive to know what is going on for you as we will always try and help to ensure your child does not fall behind with learning or friendships. Please book an appointment if you would like to discuss attendance.





# School Office Reminders

## Parent Partnership Meetings

**Parent Partnership Meetings** will take place on Wednesday 16th October 2024 (face to face). The online system is now open on the Parent App for you to book a time of your choice. We are looking forward to seeing all families and sharing your child's success so far - Article 18 (Responsibility of Parents) and Article 28 (Access to Education).

These meetings between you and your child's class teacher are key in ensuring your child is engaging, enjoying and excelling in all areas of learning. This is a time to **celebrate** and to share **important next steps** for your child to successfully achieve and be brilliant.

Parent Partnership Meetings can be booked through the ESchools app, or by clicking the "login" button on the home page of the school website. Alternatively you can use the following link:  
<https://st-day-carharrack.eschools.co.uk/login>

**If you have any queries please contact the school office or class teacher. If you wish to book an additional appointment with me, I will be available on this evening.**

In partnership together, we can build positive relationships and secure the best outcomes for your child.

## Important Dates Reminders

### OCTOBER 2024

- Black History Month
- 14th Last week of clubs
- 16th Parent Partnership Meetings 3.15pm - 6.00pm
- 21st -Yr 6 Bikeability
- 24th Yr 6 Bikeability
- 24th **Break up for half term**
- 25th **INSET DAY 2 - SCHOOL CLOSED**

### NOVEMBER 2024

- 4th Term Starts for pupils
- 4th Clubs start
- 5th SEND 'Tea & Talk' - 9am
- 11th Anti-Bullying Week - info to follow
- 15th Children in Need - Cake Bake
- 20th World Children's Day
- 29th St Day Christmas Lights switch on 5.30pm
- Santa visiting St Day at 6pm

### DECEMBER 2024

- 1st Made in St Day Craft Fair
- 2nd KS1 Christingle Service
- 2nd Last week of clubs
- 6th Children's pre-loved Christmas Fair
- 9th Yr4/5 Mini Police Programme
- 9th Assessment Week
- 11th Christmas Carol Concert
- 13th Christmas Lunch & Jumper Day
- 17th Whole School Christmas Pantomime - Hall for Cornwall
- 20th **Break up for Christmas - 1.15pm**
- No Afterschool Childcare**



## Starting School - September 2025

Do you have a child born between 1 September 2020 and 31st August 2021? If so you will need to apply for a place in Reception Class 2025.

We would like to invite any families with children starting school in September 2025 to a viewing day on:

Thursday 17th October - 9.30am  
Tuesday 19th November - 9.30am

You can see our Reception classroom, EYFS provision and meet the team. Please arrive at the school office at 9.30am and we will show you around and answer any questions.



The deadline for applications is **15 January 2025**

Do you have a child born **between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021?**

If so, you will need to apply for a place in a reception class in September 2025 for your child by the deadline of **15 January 2025**.



**Please note:** you will need to apply even if your child attends a school's nursery or pre-school class. If a school is oversubscribed the fact that a child attends a school's nursery or pre-school, or a local nursery or pre-school, does not automatically guarantee a place at that school. The school's oversubscription criteria will be used to allocate places. Visit our website or contact us for more information.

Visit [www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions) for more information and to access the online application system.



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## October Half Term Club

### 'Every Child, Every Day - a Reader and a Writer'

The Writers' Block is excited to be offering two creative writing and craft workshops for children during the October half-term.

Full details and ticket information can be found at:

[www.thewritersblock.org.uk/events](http://www.thewritersblock.org.uk/events)



### OCTOBER HALF TERM CLUBS



The Writers' Block, The Ladder, Redruth, TR16 2QE

<b>STORY ADVENTURERS</b>	<b>HAUNTED TALES &amp; CRANKIE CREATIONS</b>
10-3pm Tuesday 29 October	10-3pm Thursday 31 October
For 6-8 years	For 9-11 years
£20 or bursaries available	£20 or bursaries available
The Story Adventurers take a well-known story and let it run loose in different directions with making, craft, reading and writing	Join us for a workshop where children will reimagine classic fairytales with a spooky twist, just in time for Halloween.

More info & tickets:  
[www.thewritersblock.org.uk/events](http://www.thewritersblock.org.uk/events)

## St Day AFC - players needed!

St Day AFC currently run 13 youth football teams including many mixed and 3 all girls teams. Their newest U11 Girls team are in need of some extra players to add to their squad, in particular a Goalkeeper.

If you are interested in being part of the team, or would like further information please see the poster opposite or contact [melclarke703@gmail.com](mailto:melclarke703@gmail.com)





# Safeguarding Information

## Safeguarding Concerns

**Designated Safeguarding Lead**

**Susannah Storey**

**Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead**

**Laura Vallance**

**Safeguarding Governor**

**Sally Miners**

**01209 820456**

### [Raise a concern about a child](#)

If you have immediate concerns or are worried about a child or young person's safety please telephone the Multi Agency Referral Unit (MARU) on 0300 123 1116



# eSafety Updates

Running through all that we do to support our children online is our SMART poster. It is displayed around school and the children know that each letter gives them important advice to help them use the internet safely.

Our focus letter for this week is M for Meeting.

You can find out more information at [www.childnet.com](http://www.childnet.com) and the poster is also on this page as a PDF for you to download and read together at home.





## M is for meet

Be careful with people you only know online.

Tell a trusted adult straight away if they ever ask:

- to meet up,
- for photos or videos of you,
- for you to livestream or video chat with them.



## BE SMART ONLINE



**SAFE**

Keep your personal information safe. When chatting or posting online don't give away things like your full name, password or home address. Remember personal information can be seen in images and videos you share too. Keep them safe to keep yourself safe.

**MEET**

Meeting up with someone you only know online, even a friend of a friend, can be dangerous as this person is still a stranger. If someone you only know online ever asks you to meet up, for personal information or for photos/videos of you then tell an adult straight away and report them together on [www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)

**ACCEPTING**

Think carefully before you click on or open something online (e.g. links, adverts, friend requests, photos) as you never know where they may lead to or they may contain viruses. Do not accept something if you are unsure of who the person is or what they've sent you.

**RELIABLE**

You cannot trust everything you see online as some things can be out of date, inaccurate or not entirely true. To find reliable information compare at least three different websites, check in books and talk to someone about what you have found.

**TELL**

Tell a trusted adult if something or someone ever makes you feel upset, worried or confused. This could be if you or someone you know is being bullied online. There are lots of people who will be able to help you like your teachers, parents, carers or contact Childline – 0800 11 11 or [www.childline.org.uk](http://www.childline.org.uk)

**BE SMART WITH A HEART**

Remember to always be smart with a heart by being kind and respectful to others online. Make the internet a better place by helping your friends if they are worried or upset by anything that happens online.

[WWW.CHILDNET.COM](http://WWW.CHILDNET.COM)





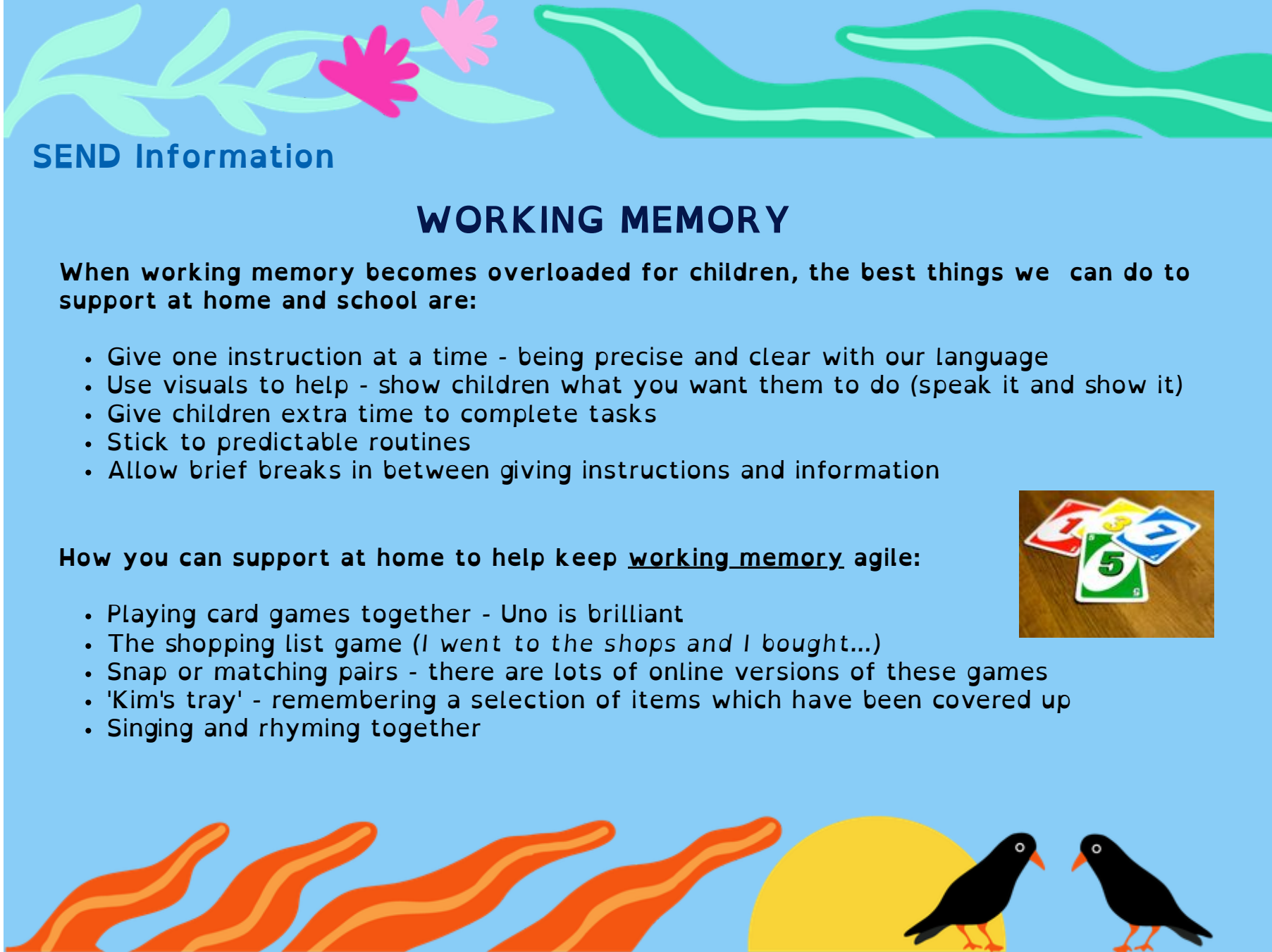
## **WORKING MEMORY**

**When working memory becomes overloaded for children, the best things we can do to support at home and school are:**

- Give one instruction at a time - being precise and clear with our language
- Use visuals to help - show children what you want them to do (speak it and show it)
- Give children extra time to complete tasks
- Stick to predictable routines
- Allow brief breaks in between giving instructions and information

**How you can support at home to help keep working memory agile:**

- Playing card games together - Uno is brilliant
- The shopping list game (*I went to the shops and I bought...*)
- Snap or matching pairs - there are lots of online versions of these games
- 'Kim's tray' - remembering a selection of items which have been covered up
- Singing and rhyming together





# Golden Stars

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GOLDEN STARS !

We celebrate all of our children each week in class. In our special celebration assembly, we praise the children who have made an extra special effort with their learning goals and living the 'Rights of the Child'. So many of our children have been displaying **ENJOYMENT, ENGAGEMENT and EXCELLENCE** in all aspects of school life.

**WE ARE PROUD OF ALL OF YOU!**

### Opal class – EYFS/Year 1

**Rory** for outstanding  
Learning in RW1

### Amber Class – Year 2

**Aubrey** for fantastic efforts  
in her writing

### Emerald Class – Year 3

**Joanna** for brilliant partner  
reading



### Sapphire Class – Year 4/5

**Kairyn** for proudly and  
confidently showcasing  
his learning to adults in  
school

### Turquoise Class – Year 5/6

**Massen** for resilience  
and perseverance in all  
learning



### Hot Chocolate with Ms Storey

All our 'Stars' will celebrate their achievements with a hot chocolate  
or ice lolly break with Ms Storey.





**Thank you  
for taking the time to read or listen to our news.**

**Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend.**

**Susannah Storey  
and  
The St Day and Carharrack Team**



