



September Newsletter 2026

Headteacher's Welcome – September 2026

Welcome back to a new school year at St Merryn School!

I hope you and your family have had a wonderful summer break and enjoyed some special time together. It has been a delight to see the children return to school this week, full of enthusiasm and ready for the exciting opportunities that lie ahead.

I would like to offer a particularly warm welcome to the new children and families who have joined our school community this term. We are delighted that you are part of the St Merryn family and look forward to getting to know you over the coming weeks and months.

This year is also an exciting one for me personally as I begin my dual role as Headteacher of both St Merryn and Trevisker Schools. While I will be spending time across both schools, St Merryn remains very much at the heart of my work, and I am committed to ensuring that our children, families and staff continue to thrive. Throughout this first week, I have been spending time in classrooms, talking with children, supporting staff and ensuring that everyone has settled happily into their new routines.

Building strong relationships with families is incredibly important to me. Whether you have a question, a concern or simply something to celebrate, please do not hesitate to get in touch. Mrs Worrall will continue to be available in the school office and will be happy to pass on any messages. I will also be on the gate regularly and always welcome the opportunity to chat with parents and carers.

Thank you for your continued support of our wonderful school. I am incredibly proud of our St Merryn community and excited about everything we will achieve together this year. Here's to a happy, successful and inspiring term ahead.

Mrs Kyja King

Headteacher

Our Mission, Shared Values and Philosophy

As we begin the year, we take the opportunity to review our school **Mission, Values and Philosophy**. Each week, we discuss the importance of these as they help shape the ethos and culture of our school. They are referred to within assemblies and day-to-day through our teaching and positive behaviour systems.

Below, I have outlined our Mission, Values and Philosophy so that you can talk to your child about them and why they are important - ask to hear the song and actions!!

Our School Mission - Building Bright Futures on Firm Foundations

Our School Values - Courage, Kindness, Curiosity

Philosophy - Dream big, Act now, Never give up - You're Amazing!

To build on the above, we will continue to present weekly awards during our celebration assembly including lunchtime supervisor, Golden Writing and Marvellous Maths awards. We finish each celebration assembly with the 'prestigious' Headteacher's Award. Photos will be posted each week on Class Dojo.

Staffing update

As we begin a new school year, I am delighted to share some staffing updates with our school community.

We are very fortunate that **Mrs Olivey** will be covering **Miss Roberts' maternity leave** as the teacher of **Starlings Class**. Mrs Olivey is already well known to our children and families and has

been a valued member of our staff team for many years. I know she will provide continuity, care and excellent teaching for the children during this time.

I am also pleased to confirm that **Mrs Lewis** has taken on the full-time position as **Kestrels Class Teacher**. Mrs Lewis is another familiar face across the school, and many children have already benefited from her teaching. Her enthusiasm, experience and commitment to providing high-quality learning opportunities make her a wonderful addition to the team in this role.

We are also delighted to welcome two new members of staff to St Merryn School. **Mrs Searle** joins our support staff team and will already be known to many families through her longstanding involvement with the school as both a parent and governor. We are excited to have her expertise and knowledge of our school community within the team.

Joining her is **Mrs Laye**, an experienced Teaching Assistant who brings a wealth of knowledge and skills to support our children across the school. We are very pleased to welcome her to St Merryn and know she will make a valuable contribution to the learning and wellbeing of our children.

I am sure you will join me in warmly welcoming our new staff and in wishing Mrs Olivey and Mrs Lewis every success in their new roles. We are incredibly fortunate to have such a dedicated and talented team supporting our children, and we look forward to an exciting year ahead.

PGL Residential 2026

PGL Residential – September 2026

We are incredibly excited for our upcoming PGL residential from Wednesday 30th September to Friday 2nd October 2026! It promises to be an action-packed few days filled with adventure, laughter, teamwork and plenty of new experiences.

Our children will have the opportunity to take part in an amazing range of activities, including rifle shooting, archery, zip wire, raft building and lots more! There will be challenges to overcome, friendships to strengthen and memories to make that we hope the children will treasure for many years to come.

We are also delighted that Mrs Lewis will be our lead teacher for the residential. She is looking forward to sharing this special experience with the children and helping them make the most of every moment.

We know that some parents may feel a little nervous about their children being away from home. Please be reassured that their safety, wellbeing and happiness will always be our top

priority. We are confident that this will be an incredible experience and one the children will remember for years to come!

Allergies & Dietary Requirements

As we prepare for the residential, please let us know as soon as possible if your child has any allergies, food intolerances or specific dietary requirements. This will ensure that we can provide suitable meals and snacks throughout their stay and make sure every child is well cared for. If your child's dietary needs have changed since completing their residential paperwork, please contact the school office so that we can update our records.

Allergy Safety Update

Allergy Safety Update: Keeping Every Child Safe

At St Merryn School, the safety and wellbeing of our children is always our highest priority. This year, schools across England are implementing new allergy safety requirements under **Benedict's Law**, which comes into force from September 2026. Benedict's Law was introduced following the tragic death of five-year-old Benedict Blythe after an allergic reaction at school and aims to strengthen allergy awareness, prevention and emergency response in all schools.

The new legislation recognises that severe allergic reactions can occur unexpectedly and that allergy management should be considered a whole-school responsibility. In line with the statutory guidance, schools are required to have robust allergy procedures, staff training, emergency medication and clear policies in place to help safeguard all children.

As part of our review of allergy safety procedures, we have carefully considered all potential sources of risk within the school environment. While we understand that sharing birthday cakes and treats has traditionally been a lovely way to celebrate special occasions, we have made the decision that **additional food brought into school, including birthday cakes, sweets and other treats, will no longer be permitted.**

This decision has not been taken lightly. However, with increasing numbers of children nationally living with food allergies and the understanding that some allergic reactions occur for the first time whilst a child is at school, we believe this is the safest approach for our school community. The change helps to reduce the risk of accidental exposure to allergens, cross-contamination and uncertainty about ingredients.

We know that birthdays and celebrations are important to children, and staff will continue to ensure that these occasions are recognised and celebrated in other ways within the classroom. Our aim is to create an inclusive environment where every child can participate safely and

where parents can feel confident that we are doing everything possible to protect all members of our school community.

We appreciate your understanding and support as we implement these important measures. By working together, we can ensure that St Merryn School remains a safe, welcoming and inclusive place for every child.

School Council

As we start a new year, we will be voting for our new school council members. Children will be asked to speak to their classmates to convince them as to why they would be good school councillors for our school. Each class has 2 representatives on the school council who have been voted for by their peers.

What makes a good School Councillor?

- Have good problem solving skills
- Good speaking skills and excellent listening skills
- Enjoy teamwork
- Have an open mind to new ideas
- Be responsible
- Work hard to get things done.

Our school council members aim to:

- To act as a voice for all children in the school
- To benefit the school community
- To benefit all pupils
- To contribute to decisions within the school

To promote democracy, projects that the school council that we will begin with are:

- Choosing charities to support through fund raising events this academic year
- Community events
- Club Provision (after school and at lunchtime)

Family Dining

Back by popular demand! We are delighted to once again invite parents, carers, and family members to join us for a special *family dining experience* here at school. Come and enjoy a delicious lunch freshly prepared by our very own chefs, Paul and Lucy. This is a wonderful opportunity to experience some of the tasty meals our children enjoy each day, including dishes made with ingredients home-grown in our very own polytunnel.

Save the Date!

Wed 4th Nov – Robins

Wed 11th Nov – Wagtails

Wed 18th Nov – Starlings

Wed 25th Nov – Kestrels

Wed 2nd Dec - Barn Owls



St Merryn School – 150 Year Celebration

Victorian Dress-Up Day – Wednesday 16th September

As part of our 150 Year Celebrations, we are excited to be holding a Victorian Dress-Up Day on **Wednesday 16th September**.

The day will begin with a special Victorian-themed assembly and will support and enrich the curriculum learning that children will be exploring over the coming weeks. We would love children to come to school dressed in Victorian-inspired clothing. Please don't feel the need to buy anything special, simple homemade outfits or adapted clothing are perfect!

I'd also like to take this opportunity to remind all families and members of our wider community that St Merryn School and FOSMS will be hosting our **150th Anniversary Celebration Day on Saturday 19th September**. All welcome as we celebrate this very special milestone together



*At The Centre Of Village Life
For 150 Years*

**Everyone Welcome
To Join The Celebrations
At St Merryn School**

**Saturday 19th September
12 - 5pm**



[Royal Cornwall Hospital Charity](#)

Non Uniform Day

Event Date: Friday 25 September 2026

We have signed up to support the **Children's Cancer Fund** this September for **Childhood Cancer Awareness Month**.

We will be holding a Non School Uniform Day on Friday the 25th of September 2026 we are collecting donations (suggested £1 per child) which will go direct to RCH to help support children and their families who have been impacted by cancer. It will support ongoing treatment, provide vital equipment and help families during difficult times.



Communication, payments and lunches.

We will continue to use Class Dojo for our daily communication. Contact the office if you would like an invite to connect to your child's class.

Our payment and official communication will continue on Pluspay/IRIS. Please be aware the government only fund Reception to Y2 lunches, the lunches for the new Y3 children will be payable and can be booked through the app. Payment for lunches, breakfast club early starts and afterschool club has to be paid on booking. Emergency lunches can be booked through the office but payment will be required during that week.

Outdoor Learning



Our outdoor learning spaces have been continuing to grow over the summer holidays, and we are delighted to be enjoying a fantastic harvest from our polytunnel! The children will be eating our school-grown tomatoes and courgettes. We have been rewarded with a wonderful crop so far, and there is more to come! We will also be continuing our planting over the coming weeks to ensure there is plenty growing throughout the Autumn.

In our **Wild Tribe** sessions, children in **Robins** and **Wagtails** classes will be focusing on creativity this term. Through hands-on forest school experiences, the children will explore how the natural environment can inspire art and imagination. Using materials such as leaves, sticks, flowers, stones, and other natural treasures, they will create a range of artworks while developing their appreciation of the world around them. We are looking forward to seeing their creativity flourish outdoors!

Early Years



Welcome to Our New Nursery and Reception Children!

We are delighted to welcome all of our new Nursery and Reception children and their families to our school community. Starting school is a very exciting milestone, and we are looking forward to see how our children flourish over the next year.

Over the coming weeks, our children will be spending time settling into their new environment, learning classroom routines, and becoming familiar with the school day. We will be supporting them as they build confidence, make new friends, and discover all the exciting opportunities that school has to offer. Most importantly, we want our children to feel happy, safe, and eager to learn.

There will be lots of opportunities for fun through play and exploration!

This term, a key focus of our learning will be **Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSED)**. In simple terms, this means helping children to develop the skills they need to feel confident.

We will be supporting children to:

- Develop confidence in trying new activities and challenges.
- Learn to share, take turns, and work cooperatively with others.
- Build friendships and understand the importance of kindness and respect.
- Recognise and talk about different emotions and learn ways to manage them.
- Follow simple rules and routines that help everyone learn and play together safely.
- Develop independence in everyday tasks such as tidying up, looking after belongings, and making choices.

These important skills provide the foundation for future learning and help children to feel secure and successful within the school environment.

We are super excited to begin this wonderful journey with your children and look forward to a term filled with learning, laughter, friendship, and fun!

Inclusion - Advice from our SENCO





Sports News

We are so excited about another term of sports and have lots of exciting events for children to be involved in.

Along with superb weekly PE lessons and after school sports clubs we also have the following events coming up:

4/11/26 - Benchball Festival Wadebridge KS2

18/11/26 KS2 Cross Country Wadebridge

25/11/26 Y6 Transition PE at St Merryn

02/12/26 KS1 Multi Skills Festival Wadebridge

We are always so incredibly proud of all our children who participate in sporting events and represent our school.

We are looking forward to another fantastic year of Sport!

Mrs Lewis

PE Lead

Academic Success

As we move forward into the Autumn term, it is always good to reflect on previous experiences and events. We are extremely proud of our **Year 6 children** who completed their SATs in May. Every child showed courage, kindness to each other and fantastic knowledge across all areas! Our results are yet to be published officially but we can say that we are very pleased with our children's outcomes again this year!

Reading at home

Reading at Home

Reading at home is one of the most powerful ways you can support your child's learning. Just 10 minutes of reading each day can make a huge difference to their confidence, fluency, vocabulary and understanding. Regular reading not only improves children's skills but also helps foster a lifelong love of books.

Children on Read Write Inc. (RWI)

Your child will bring home **RWI books** that are carefully matched to the sounds and words they are learning in school. Please encourage them to read the same book several times, even if they already know the story. This repetition is a key part of learning to read successfully and helps children develop accuracy, fluency, expression and confidence.

Children Who Have Completed RWI

Children who have finished the RWI programme will bring home a school reading book.

Please encourage your child to read regularly and spend a few minutes talking about the book together. Discussing what they have read helps deepen understanding and develops important comprehension skills.

Top Tips for Reading at Home

Whatever stage your child is at in their reading journey, the following tips can help make reading at home enjoyable and successful:

- **Follow Their Interests**

Alongside their school reading book, encourage your child to explore books, comics, magazines, newspapers and non-fiction texts linked to their interests. The more children enjoy reading, the more they are likely to read.

- **Re-read Favourite Books**

Reading a familiar book several times helps children build fluency, confidence and understanding.

- **Give Them Time**

When your child comes to an unfamiliar word, encourage them to use the sounds and reading strategies they have learned at school. Allow them time to work it out for themselves before helping.

- **Read Aloud to Your Child**

Even confident readers benefit from listening to adults read. Reading aloud introduces new vocabulary, develops imagination and helps children experience the enjoyment of great stories.

- **Talk About the Story**

A short conversation about a book can be just as valuable as the reading itself. Try asking:

- What has happened so far?
- Why do you think the character did that?
- How do you think they are feeling?
- What might happen next?
- What was your favourite part and why?

Supporting Reluctant Readers

You could try:

- Keeping reading sessions short and positive.
- Letting your child choose some of what they read.
- Taking turns reading a page each.
- Reading a sentence or paragraph together.

- Praising effort and perseverance rather than focusing on mistakes.
- Finding books linked to their hobbies and interests.
- Sharing a story at bedtime or another calm part of the day.

For children on RWI, remember that repetition is intentional and important. Your child may say, *"I've already read this book!"* but reading it again helps sounds and words become automatic, leading to smoother, more confident reading.

Most Importantly...

Reading at home should be about both practice and pleasure.

Please ensure your child reads their RWI book or school reading book regularly, but also make time to share stories, talk about books and enjoy reading together.

Every page read, every story shared and every conversation about a book helps your child become a stronger, more confident and enthusiastic reader.

Thank you for your continued support. Together, we can help every child develop the confidence, skills and love of reading that will benefit them throughout their lives.

Mrs Olivey



Music Lessons

We are delighted to announce that our peripatetic music lessons will be starting again from **14th September**. We are thrilled to welcome back **Issy and James**, who will once again be sharing their passion, expertise, and enthusiasm for music with pupils.

Learning a musical instrument is a wonderful way for children to build confidence, develop new skills, and express their creativity.

If you are interested in finding out more about music lessons, please get in touch with **Happy Willow Studio** at <https://www.happywillowstudio.co.uk/>.

Attendance

Every School Day Counts

We all want the best for our children, and one simple way to support their learning and wellbeing is through regular attendance. Research shows that pupils who attend school more than 95% of the time tend to achieve significantly better outcomes in both primary and secondary school—even missing just a few extra days can make a difference.

By establishing consistent routines, keeping open communication with our school, and seeking support early if needed, we can help our children thrive. Together, we can give every child the best possible start in life through strong, regular attendance

Below is a useful reminder of current legislation regarding penalty notices for unauthorised absence from school.

A National Framework for Penalty Notices for school absence, including unauthorised holiday absence, has been introduced following changes to the law. These Government regulations came into effect from 19 August 2024 and now affect when penalty notices are issued in Cornwall.

What are the changes?

1. There is now a new national threshold of 10 unauthorised sessions for any reason (equivalent to 5 school days) within a rolling 10 school week period, at which point a penalty notice must be considered.
2. You can no longer take your child out of school for one week's holiday without the consideration of a penalty notice being issued.
3. The penalty fine is now £80 if paid within 21 days. If the fine is not paid within the first 21 days, it rises to £160 if paid within 28 days of being issued.
4. If a second penalty fine is issued to the same parent for the same child within a 3-year rolling period, the fine automatically rises to £160 with no option to pay the lower rate of £80.

5. If a parent commits a third offence in a 3-year rolling period, the local authority must consider other enforcement options available to them. This may include prosecution.

Please see the FAQs below for more information about how the new rules affect you.

FAQs

Who can be issued with a penalty notice?

Each parent can receive a fine for each child who has unauthorised absence from school.

In education law, anyone who lives with a child and has day-to-day care of the child is considered a parent, whether they are the biological parent or not. This includes step-parents and partners.

Do the rules only apply to holidays during term time?

No. They apply to all unauthorised absence from school, including holidays. Unauthorised absence also includes other absence that has not been agreed, such as truancy, arriving late after the register has closed, and failing to provide reasons for absence.

How do I request leave for my child during term time?

You must submit an Exceptional Circumstances / Absence Request form before the proposed absence (see your school's policy for the required notice period). The Head Teacher decides whether there are exceptional circumstances that allow them to grant the time off. Do not assume the absence is granted until you receive written confirmation from the school.

Do the 10 sessions of unauthorised absence have to be taken all at the same time before a penalty fine is issued?

No. A penalty fine can be issued for any combination of unauthorised absences over a 10-week rolling period. They may be consecutive or non-consecutive and may span across two terms (including between academic years).

What happens if I am issued with a penalty fine and I don't pay it?

Unauthorised absence from school is an offence under S444 of the Education Act 1996. A penalty fine gives you the opportunity to settle out of court. If you do not pay, you can be prosecuted for failing to ensure your child's regular attendance.

What should I do if I am worried about my child's attendance?

You should contact your child's school (Mrs King) and ask for advice on how they can support you to improve the situation.

If you have any **Safeguarding Concerns**, here are some important contacts for you to use.

A message from Cornwall Council...

As part of our commitment to keeping you informed about local services, we want to share an important update regarding children's support and safeguarding in Cornwall. The Cornwall Council Multi-Agency Referral Unit (MARU) and the Early Help Hub have officially merged. They are now working together as a single, unified service called the Multi-Agency Support and Safeguarding Hub (MASSH).

What does this change mean?

This merger creates a simpler "single front door" for families. Whether you need early support, parenting advice, or have a worry about a child's well-being, everything is now handled by one integrated team. The goal is to make it much easier and faster for families to get the right help at the right time.

How to contact MASSH

If you need advice, want to request support for your child, or need to report a safeguarding concern, please use the updated contact details below:

-  Main Phone Line: 0300 123 1116 (*Open Monday to Friday, 8:45 AM – 5:00 PM*)
-  Out of Hours & Weekends: 01208 251300 (*For urgent issues outside of normal office hours*)
-  Email: multiagencyreferralunit@cornwall.gov.uk
-  Online Portal: You can also securely request support online by visiting the official Cornwall Council MASSH webpage.
-  Isles of Scilly Residents: Please use the dedicated line at 0300 1234 105 (*Option 5*).

Please note: If your family is already working directly with an assigned social worker or Family Help Worker, you should continue to contact them directly rather than reaching out to the new hub. Our school team is always here to support you as well. If you have any questions about these changes or need assistance connecting with local services, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Applying for a reception or secondary class place for September 2027



Together  for Families

The
deadline for
applications is
**15 January
2027**

Do you have a
child born **between
1 September 2022
and 31 August 2023?**

If so, you will need to apply
for a place in a reception
class in September 2027 for
your child by the deadline
of **15 January 2027**.



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 for more information and to access the online application system.



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Together
for Families

The
deadline for
applications is
**31 October
2026**

Transfer to secondary school

September 2027

Applying for a place
in year seven at a
secondary school



Information and guidance

Application form and information: www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions
Telephone: 0300 1234 101



www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions



Sea Cadets

We currently have spaces available for **young people aged 10-12** in our **Junior Sea Cadet Sections** and we'd love the chance to share this exciting opportunity with your school community.



Why Choose Sea Cadets?

Sea Cadets offers so much more than an after-school activity. Young people dive into a world of **adventure, challenge, and personal development**, all set within a fun, nautical environment inspired by the proud traditions of the Royal Navy.

Through Sea Cadets, young people build:

- ✓ **Life Skills** – Leadership, teamwork, communication, confidence, and motivation
- ✓ **Positive Values** – Respect, self-discipline, commitment, honesty, and integrity
- ✓ **Educational Engagement** – Supporting enthusiasm for learning and practical skills for the future

✔ **Qualifications** – Opportunities to gain recognised awards such as First Aid, Duke of Edinburgh, and water-based qualifications

Would you like to try something new and learn fun new skills? If you are 10–12 and want a little extra help to get off to a great start, we're here for you. Our Offer:

- Build confidence, teamwork and leadership skills
- Try hands-on activities like first aid, navigation and water safety
- Discover what you're capable of and open up future opportunities
- Make amazing memories through camps, competitions and outdoor adventures * Meet new people and make friends for life



Kernow Gymnastics & Acro Academy

I hope you have all enjoyed a lovely summer break and are looking forward to the new school year.

We are incredibly excited to share that **Kernow Gymnastics & Acro Academy** is opening a **purpose-built, state-of-the-art gymnastics facility in Indian Queens in September 2026**, creating a fantastic new opportunity for children and young people across our local community.

We would love to invite all the children from your school to come along to our **Open Day this Sunday, 6th September, from 10am–3pm.**

If possible, we would be incredibly grateful if you could kindly share our attached poster through your school's internal email system, newsletter or parent communication channels, so that families have the opportunity to come along and see our new facility for themselves.

We would also love to work with your school

As part of the opening of our new facility, we are very keen to develop strong relationships with local schools and create a **community network of schools through gymnastics and physical activity.**

We run a fantastic **after-school and weekend timetable**, offering a variety of disciplines including gymnastics, acrobatics, tumbling, freestyle and other movement-based activities, giving children the opportunity to find something they really enjoy.

Gymnastics is a fantastic fundamental sport for children. It develops strength, flexibility, coordination, balance, agility, spatial awareness and body control, whilst also building confidence, resilience, discipline and teamwork. These fundamental movement skills can benefit children across many different sports and throughout their everyday lives.

We would love to invite teachers and PE staff to come and visit our new facility, meet our team and see what we could offer your school.

We would also like to offer your school a **FREE introductory gymnastics session**, with the opportunity to develop this into a block of sessions or a longer-term partnership if it is something your school would benefit from.

Competitive opportunities

Kernow Academy is also a competitive club, with our athletes competing at **local, regional, national and international level.**

Our athletes have represented **Great Britain**, and in 2025 we were incredibly proud to have athletes gaining reserves for **GBR at the European Acrobatic Gymnastics Championships.**

We would love to use our experience and facilities to create more opportunities for children within local schools, including developing an **inter-school gymnastics competition** and potentially supporting schools to take part in **British Gymnastics school competitions** in the future.

Our vision is to build a strong network of local schools where we can work together to:

- Provide high-quality gymnastics and fundamental movement sessions

- Give children the opportunity to experience gymnastics within a purpose-built facility
- Develop links between local schools through sport
- Create an annual inter-school gymnastics competition
- Encourage more children to participate in competitive gymnastics
- Create opportunities for schools to participate in British Gymnastics school competitions
- Inspire children to develop a lifelong love of sport and physical activity

We would love for **Kernow Gymnastics & Acro Academy to become a hub for gymnastics and physical activity within our local community**, supporting schools as well as individual children and families.

If you would like any further information, would like to arrange a visit to our facility, or would like to discuss booking your school's **FREE introductory session**, please contact Rachel Simmonds:

Rachel Simmonds

 fundraising@kernowacademy.co.uk¹

 07809 432136

We would be delighted to hear from you and hopefully welcome you, your staff and pupils to Kernow Academy very soon.

Kind regards,

The Kernow Gymnastics & Acro Academy Team

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Kind Regards

Tia Mallinder-McCormack

Director -Head Acrobatics Coach

¹<mailto:fundraising@kernowacademy.co.uk>

Dates for your diary

September

Mon 14th – Clubs start this week

Wed 16th – Victorian Dress-up Day

Thurs 17th - School Photos

Sat 19th - 150th Year Celebration

Fri 25th - Non-School Uniform Day – Royal Cornwall Hospital Children's Cancer Awareness Charity

Wed 30th-Fri 2nd – Year 5/6 PGL Residential

October

Wed 21st – Harvest Festival Church Service 2:15

Thurs 22nd – Inset Day (School closed for children)

Fri 23rd – Inset Day (School closed for children)

HALF TERM Monday 26th-Friday 30th

November

Mon 2nd – Children return to school

Wed 4th Nov – Robins Family Dining

Mon 9th – Parent Consultations

Tues 10th – Parent Consultations

Wed 11th – Parent Consultations

Wed 11th Nov – Wagtails Family Dining

Wed 18th Nov – Starlings Family Dining

Wed 25th Nov – Kestrels Family Dining

Wed 2nd Dec - Barn Owls Family Dining

December

Wed 2nd - Nursery/KS1 Nativity Performance 5:00-6:00

Thurs 3rd - Nursery/KS1 Nativity Performance 5:00-6:00

Fri 4th - Nursery/KS1 Nativity Performance 2:15-3:00

Fri 4th - Padstow Christmas Lights - Lantern Parade (time tbc)

Tues 8th - KS2 Christmas Performance 6:00

Wed 9th - KS2 Christmas Performance 6:00

Thurs 10th - KS2 Christmas Performance 6:00

Wed 16th - Christmas Lunch

Thurs 17th - Christmas class parties

Fri 18th – Christmas Church Service 2:15

Fri 18th – Last Day of term





School Terms and Holidays 2026/27

St Merryn School

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Key:  School Holiday  Bank Holiday  INSET Day  School open				Term dates summary: Autumn Term (72 days) 3 September 2026 - 18 December 2026 (Half term: 26 - 30 Oct 2026) Spring Term (54 days) 4 January 2027 - 25 March 2027 (Half term: 15 - 19 February 2027) Summer Term (62 days) 12 April 2027 - 23 July 2027 (Half term: 31 May - 4 June 2027)			
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Bank and Public Holidays 2026/27 Christmas Day 25th December 2026 Boxing Day 28th December 2026 New Years Day 1st January 2027 Good Friday 26th March 2027 Easter Monday May Bank Holiday Spring Bank Holiday Summer Bank Holiday 29th March 2027 3rd May 2027 31st May 2027 30th August 2027			
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