

23rd July 2026

POLTAIR NEWSLETTER



Richard Cardigan

Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy term we have all had at Poltair. From major celebrations to enriching learning experiences, our students have embraced every opportunity with enthusiasm, maturity and true Poltair spirit.

We were proud to celebrate the Prom for the Class of 2026, recognising the resilience and hard work of our Year 11 students. It was fantastic to see them enjoy a well-deserved celebration together after their exams.

It was also a pleasure to welcome our new Year 6 cohort during Transition Day and Evening, giving them a confident and exciting start to their Poltair journey. Our Young Carers Summer Event provided a memorable and supportive experience for students who play such an important role at home.

Our Awards Evening was another standout moment, where families and friends joined us to celebrate the achievements of so many hardworking and talented students.

This term also saw a brilliant Sports Day, where students showcased teamwork, determination and true Poltair pride across a range of events.

To round off the term, Curriculum Enrichment Week brought creativity, adventure and new learning beyond the classroom. All of this took place amongst lots of other things, showing just how vibrant and rewarding life at Poltair has been this term. Thank you for your continued support.

Wishing you all a restful, enjoyable and sunny summer break.

Richard Cardigan

Headteacher





From Peru to Poltair



We were delighted to welcome our exchange school from Peru into Poltair this term.

Their visit was full of shared experiences, including a trip to St Michael's Mount, ukulele lessons, a competitive game of rounders, making traditional Cornish pasties together and they showed us a traditional Peruvian dance along with traditional dress.

Despite language barriers, students connected beautifully showing kindness, curiosity and genuine friendship.

Many of these moments were especially meaningful for the Poltair students who visited Peru in 2024, making this reunion even more special.

This exchange continues to strengthen global understanding and create lasting memories for everyone involved.



#InItToWinIt Family Winner

The Poltair Passport for Attendance is a new initiative bought in over the last term, designed to recognise and reward students for their commitment to attending lessons and taking part in Poltair+ activities.

It's a simple, positive way to celebrate consistent attendance across the school.

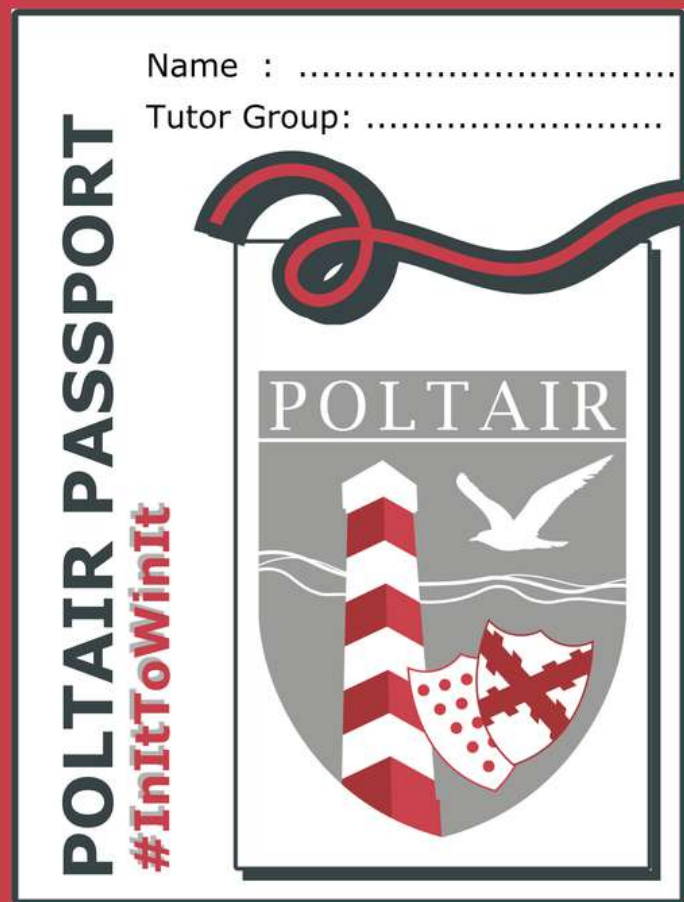
Each week, students can earn for a full week of attendance:

- A sweet treat & a raffle ticket for attending school every day
- A second raffle ticket for attending two or more Poltair+ sessions

At the end of every half term, we will draw:

- One prize per year group
- A whole-school prize, with the winner receiving a family gift

This initiative encourages positive habits, celebrates commitment, and gives every student the chance to be recognised for their efforts.



Summer Term Family Winner

We are delighted to announce that Charlotte D is our Summer Term family prize winner. Charlotte's consistent attendance and commitment to Poltair+ activities placed her in this terms ticket draw. Congratulations Charlotte, a fantastic achievement.

Building a Culture of Commitment

The Poltair Passport for Attendance is already making a positive impact across the school. By celebrating dedication, encouraging responsibility and recognising effort, the initiative supports students in building habits that will benefit them throughout their education. Poltair is proud to champion attendance in such a meaningful and motivating way and we look forward to seeing even more students earn their rewards next term.



Charlotte D
Year 7



Awards Evening 2026

Our Awards Evening 2026 was a truly memorable celebration of student achievement across Poltair.

We recognised a remarkable group of students whose humility, dedication and character set a shining example for their peers. Each award recipient embodies our core values of confidence, character and curiosity in everything they do, both within the classroom and beyond.

It was a pleasure to welcome families to share in these successes and to acknowledge the commitment and spirit shown by our students throughout the year. Their achievements reflect not only personal effort but also the strength of our Poltair community.

We extend our warmest congratulations to all award winners. You inspire us every day.





Transition Day



Our Year 6 to Year 7 Transition Day began with fantastic energy and enthusiasm. From the moment our new students arrived, they showed confidence, curiosity and a real readiness to embrace life at Poltair.

Throughout the morning, students explored their new school environment, met members of staff, made new friends and demonstrated the positive character we are so proud to see in our incoming cohort. Their engagement and excitement have been wonderful to witness.

We look forward to the rest of the day and to welcoming these students back in September. They have already shown that they are more than ready for the next step in their Poltair journey.



Class of 2026 Prom

The Class of 2026 Prom was a fantastic celebration for our Year 11 students, who arrived in style and enjoyed an evening filled with music, friendship and well deserved fun.

It was wonderful to see them dancing the night away and making memories that will stay with them long after they leave Poltair.

Staff were incredibly proud to see every student embracing the occasion and celebrating their achievements with confidence and joy.

As this cohort looks ahead to their next steps, we wish them all the very best of luck. We look forward to welcoming them back on 20th August to collect their results and celebrate the beginning of their exciting futures.

Well done, Class of 2026, you made the night truly special.





Sports Day 2026





Young Carers Summer Event



We had the pleasure of hosting the CELT Young Carers Summer Event here at Poltair. It was a truly wonderful afternoon and a fantastic success, with both primary and secondary schools from across CELT joining us for the celebration.

We are incredibly fortunate to work with such remarkable young carers. Your dedication to supporting your families is inspiring, and we are so proud of each and every one of you.





[View Full Calendar](#)



Thursday 20th August

GCSE Exam Results Day



Tuesday 1st September

CELT Inset Day



Wednesday 2nd September

Poltair Inset Day



Thursday 3rd September

Year 7 & 11 Return to School



Friday 4th September

All Students Return to School



Thursday 1st October

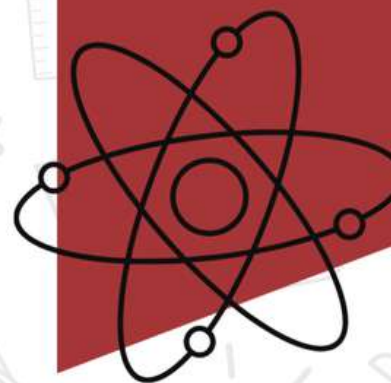
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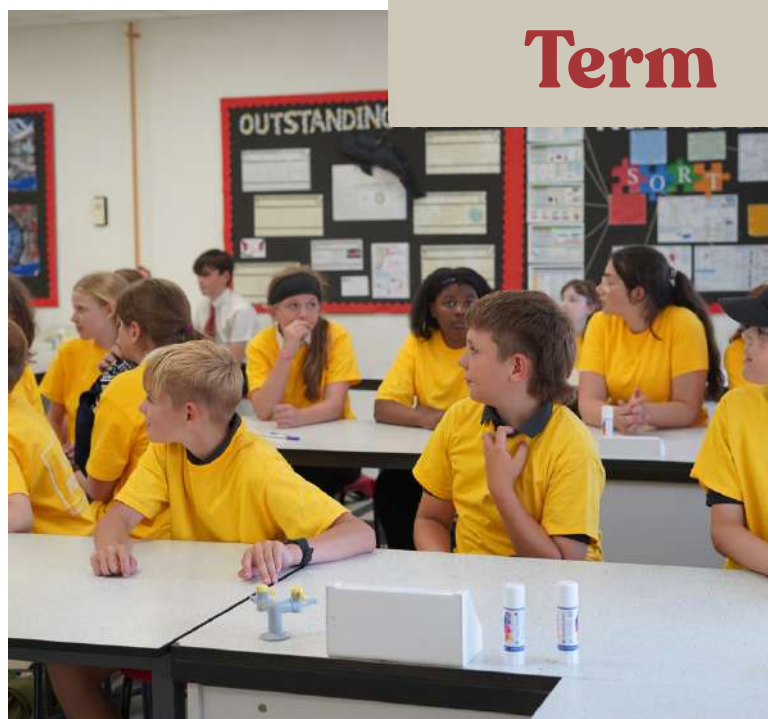
SUMMER SUPER 6

MONDAY 27TH, TUESDAY 28TH,
WEDNESDAY 29TH &
THURSDAY 30TH OF JULY 2026





Summer Term





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COMMUNITY CORNER

Local events and support in the St Austell and surrounding areas.

Summer Events at St Austell Library!

What's in Your Lost World?
An art, craft, design, and imagination competition! Create your own Lost World in 2D, 3D, or in any way you like.
Runs 3rd-28th Aug. For ages 4-12. FREE to enter!

The Rockpool Project: Creatures
Wed 29th July, 30 minute slots
2.30pm-4.30pm Tickets £1. For ages 4+
Here with their portable rockpool and sea creatures!

Pocket Map Making Workshop with Arts Well
Wed 5th Aug, 1-3.30pm. FREE!
A drop-in for all ages

Robin Hanbury-Tenison
A real-life Extraordinary Explorer!
Tues 11th Aug, 11am-12pm. Tickets £2. For ages 8+

The Rockpool Project: Discover Seaweed
Tues 18th Aug, 30 minute slots
10.30am-12.30pm Tickets £1. For ages 4+
Here with their portable rockpool and seaweed!

Explore and Draw with Emma
Tues 25th Aug, 11am-12pm. FREE!
For ages 4+
Emma is the Illustrator of the Cornwall Reading Challenge!

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CRAZY Golf

White River Place

NEXT TO ROWE'S BAKERY
EVERY TUES & THURS

SUMMER PARK GAMES

WEATHER DEPENDENT

Friday 31st July
5 - 7pm
The Meadows

Wednesday 5th August
12 - 2pm
Truro Road Park

Thursday 6th August
3 - 5pm
Poltair Park

Wednesday 19th August
12 - 2pm
Bethel Park

Friday 28th August
5 - 7pm
The Meadows

GIANT PLAY EQUIPMENT & GROUP GAMES

Open to all school-aged children, college students and young people

Games & Equipment includes:
Giant Connect 4 - Giant Snakes and Ladders - Basketball - Football - Wobble Boards - Space Hoppers - Hula Hoops - Skipping Ropes - Giant Noughts & Crosses - Giant Jenga - Wobble Boards - AND MORE!

Organised by St Austell Town Council & Facilitated by Young People Cornwall

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PARK GAMES

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TIME2MOVE ACTIVITIES

NERF BATTLE MONDAY 27TH JULY + 24TH AUG 12-4PM

AVALANCHE SLIP AND SLIDE MONDAY 3RD AUG 12-4PM

FOOTBALL GOLF MONDAY 10TH AUG 12-4PM

KAYAKING + SUP MONDAY 17TH AUG 12-4PM

ADRENALIN QUARRY THURSDAY 27TH AUG 11.30-4PM



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ST AUSTELL TOWN COUNCIL

PARK GAMES & OUTREACH

FRIDAY 31TH JULY + 28TH AUG 5-7PM **THE MEADOWS PARK**

WEDNESDAY 5TH AUG 12-2PM **TRURO RD PARK**

THURSDAY 6TH AUG 3.30-5.30PM **POLTAIR PARK**

WEDNESDAY 19TH AUG 12-2PM **BETHEL PARK**

FRIDAY 31TH JULY +
FRIDAY 14TH + 28TH AUG 7.30-9PM **CARLYON BAY BEACH**



OPEN ACCESS YOUTH CLUB

EVERY MONDAY AND THURSDAY 6-9PM

WELLBEING SUPPORT HUB

MENTAL HEALTH ~ WELLBEING
SUPPORT ~ ADVICE

MONDAY + THURSDAY 3-5.30PM

QUIET CLUB
THURSDAYS
4-5.30PM

Happy

Summer

Holiday