



# Unit 2 Summer 2 Newsletter 2026

## Enquiry Subjects:

Our Enquiry subjects this half term are Art, History, and Music.

In **Art** we will answer the enquiry question, 'How can I create a collage?' The children will create a collage based on the Plymouth artist Brian Pollard's work.

Our **History** enquiry will answer the question, 'What were people doing for fun 100 years ago?' We will find out about toys and games, outdoor play, entertainment at home, and celebrations.

In **Music** we will answer the question, 'Do songs tell a story?' We will explore this enquiry question and record our performance on Seesaw.

## School Values:

This half term, our School Value is Determination, which we will be explicitly teaching and celebrating throughout the school.

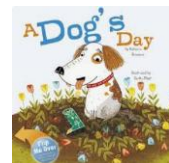


We teach children that determination is the ability to keep going when things are challenging. It means staying focused on goals, showing resilience in the face of difficulties, and refusing to give up when obstacles arise. Through assemblies, lessons, and daily interactions, we will help children understand that determined people learn from their mistakes, persevere through setbacks, and remain committed to achieving their goals. Determination also links closely to the British Value of Individual Liberty. We will teach children that having the freedom to make positive choices comes with the responsibility to work towards their goals and aspirations. By showing determination, children develop the confidence, independence, and resilience needed to make the most of the opportunities available to them and to become successful, responsible members of society.



## Literacy:

This half term, the children will be learning to write a story from a different perspective. We will be using the book 'A Dog's Day' by Rebecca Rissman. The children will write a story from a different perspective. They will learn to use apostrophes to show possession, expanded noun phrases to add more detail, and spell some words with suffixes correctly.



## Maths:



Year 2 are beginning the half term by learning about 3D shape, then time, data handling, and position and movement. Children in Year 1 will learn about measurement of mass, volume, and capacity, time, and place value of numbers to 100.

## Reading:

In school, we encourage all children to read daily. RWI books will come home on a Friday. The children will have gained experience reading these books at school and will enjoy reading to you with their 'storytellers voice'. We expect children to read at home daily to encourage fluency and expressive reading aloud.

Our children who have graduated from RWI join a guided reading class. They take quizzes on Accelerated Reader (AR) about the books they have read and earn points for this. Children are also expected to log on to AR at home to quiz on the books they read at home. At the end of the half term, we will be giving certificates to every child who reaches their own individual target for points earned. To support passion and progression, we expect children to read daily at home for at least 15 minutes. Please support and encourage your child in this by listening to them read aloud often and talking about what they have read to help develop comprehension skills and develop an inquisitive nature about books. It is also beneficial for children to hear you read aloud to them regularly to help develop and maintain a love for reading. Modelling your own love of reading can really help your child's reading progress.

## PE:

This half term we will be learning about athletics and swimming. Our PE days are:  
**Snowy Owls:** Monday (swimming) & Friday.  
**Little Owls:** Wednesday & Thursday (swimming)  
**Tawny Owls:** Tuesday (swimming) & Wednesday.

## Home Learning:

To support your child's learning at home we request that you:

- Read for 15 minutes a day
- Practise times tables on Times Tables Rockstars
- Practise weekly spellings
- Enquiry Project:

**Art**- create a collage of a landscape of your local area.

**History**- interview your grandparents about how they had fun when they were children.

**Music** - listen to a song that tells a story.



## Key Dates:

\*Please see key dates for Summer 2 on the next page.



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## Key Dates:

- Construction Enrichment – Weds 17<sup>th</sup> June
- FOPPS Fathers Day shop – Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> June
- Snowy Owls Sports Festival – Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> June
- Meadfoot House Charity Event – Fri 19<sup>th</sup> June
- Summer Book Quest sign up – Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> June
- Whole School Enrichment Day & Non Uniform – Mon 29<sup>th</sup> June
- Unit 2 Rock Up & Read – Weds 1<sup>st</sup> July 2:50pm
- Unit 2 Beach trip – Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> July
- FOPPS Summer Fair & non-uniform day – Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> July
- Sports day & picnic lunch – Mon 6<sup>th</sup> July (Unit 2 12:45–2:15pm) (Reserve date of 7<sup>th</sup> July)
- Reports – Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> July
- Year 2 sleepover – Fri 10<sup>th</sup> July
- New class transition days – Tue 14<sup>th</sup> & Weds 15<sup>th</sup> July
- Last day of term – Fri 17<sup>th</sup> July

**Food Safety:** We kindly request that parents and carers do not send food to school for snacks or lunches that contains nuts. This includes: All types of nuts. Spreads and sandwich fillings containing nuts like peanut butter and Nutella. Cereal, chocolate bars, cakes, or biscuits which contain nuts  
Thank you for your consideration.

## Contact Us:

Please continue to contact the school office by email [admin@preston.torbay.sch.uk](mailto:admin@preston.torbay.sch.uk) or phone 01803 607075 with any questions or queries. There is also lots of useful information, as well as event dates and term dates, on our school website <https://www.preston.torbay.sch.uk/>