

# Welcome back to Redwood class



WHAT'S ON

Summer-  
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## Hello and welcome back!

I hope everyone has settled back well after a pleasant two-week break. This term our topic is "Our Local Area." We are really looking forward to lots of learning beyond the classroom, including some local visits within the St Blazey community. These experiences will help our learners build connections with familiar places and people in their local environment. Our learning will continue to focus on individual PLGs and the development of independent skills, which will look different for each learner as we follow a personalised approach. Daily routines will still include opportunities to explore a range of spaces across the school, such as the sensory room, library, pool, and Post-14 flat. These experiences are designed to help learners become increasingly confident with transitions and less familiar environments.

## Lets learn about... **Learning outside the classroom (LOtC)**

**Learning outside the classroom.** Learning outside the classroom is an important part of our curriculum and gives our learners meaningful opportunities to explore the world around them. Through local walks, community visits, and outdoor learning experiences, learners are supported to develop confidence, communication, and independence in real-life settings. These experiences help our learners practice skills such as making choices, following routines, adapting to new environments, and interacting with familiar and unfamiliar people. Learning beyond the classroom also supports understanding of the local community and helps build a sense of belonging, curiosity, and enjoyment. We enjoy working outside our classroom and exploring a range of different spaces across the school. This includes time spent in the sensory garden, where learners can explore a variety of natural smells, textures, and sensory experiences. These sessions support curiosity, engagement, and sensory awareness. We also make good use of the outdoor area directly outside our classroom, taking part in small-group activities such as music, creative arts, and horticulture. These activities encourage interaction, choice-making, and participation in a relaxed and familiar environment. Learning outside the classroom also extends to sensory spaces around the school. In addition, we regularly use the Post-14 flat for snack time and cooking sessions. This provides valuable real-world learning experiences, helping learners become familiar with environments similar to those they may encounter beyond school, and supporting independence and life skills.

**May day Bank Holiday: Monday 4th May**

**Half Term: Monday 25th—Friday 29th May**

**EHCP reviews: Please see separate email invites from Emma Powell**

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FORGET!

# Redwood class team



**Class Fund** Thank you to those who contribute £5 to our half termly class fund, this supports us in our food and cooking (DT) and sensory exploration lessons.

If you are able to contribute please do so through Parent Pay so that we can continue to explore.

## Swimming

Please ensure that your child has a swim kit in school . Swimming is weekly on a rota basis to ensure all learners have the opportunity to take part. Our Swim days are Tuesday and Friday each week.

## Personal Learning Goals (PLGs)

At the start of this term, Personal Learning Goals (PLGs) have been published on EfL. Please let us know if you require a paper copy.

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