Laxey Primary School

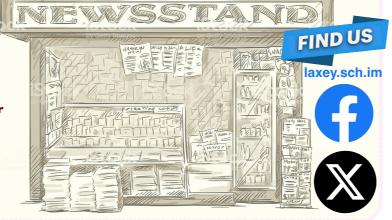
'Bravery, Challenge, Smiling, Honesty, Effort, Failing Well, Positivity, Reflection'



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Dates for Your Diary

23.09.25 Skipping Workshop (Details to follow) School Photograph Day 24 09 25 (Details below) 30.09.25 Flu Immunisations (for those with consent)

RockKidz Visit

16.10.25 21 10 25 Y3 Stars Trip (St. Ninians High School) ●24.10.25 Last day of the first half-term 03.11.25 First day of the second half-term

This is not an exhaustive list! The homepage of our school website has a live calendar of events - check it out

Message From Mr Kelly

A very warm welcome back to all our pupils, families, and staff at Laxey School. I hope you had a refreshing summer break and are ready for the year ahead. The school has been full of energy this week as children settle back into routines, reconnect with friends, and begin new learning journeys.

Our classrooms are looking fantastic after lots of preparation over the summer. Staff have worked hard to create bright, welcoming spaces that set the tone for an exciting year of learning ahead. It has been wonderful to see the children already making themselves at home and filling those spaces with energy and enthusiasm.

This week has already brought an incredible opportunity for some of our oldest pupils. Our Year 6 golfers travelled to Ireland to take part in Pobble's Literacy Through Sport day at the Irish Open—an event that combined the excitement of a major sporting stage with the joy of writing. The pupils met professional golfers, worked alongside children from other schools, and took real inspiration from the world-class surroundings. It was a fantastic experience that they will long remember, and a great example of how we aim to broaden horizons here at Laxey.

As always, my door is open. Please don't hesitate to get in touch, whether it's with a question, a concern, or just a quick chat about how things are going. We're in this together, and I value the partnership between home and school enormously. Don't forget too that we post regular updates on our school Facebook page—our virtual shop window into the life of Laxey School. It's a great way to keep up with events, activities, and celebrations, so do give us a follow if you haven't already. It's a privilege to start another school year with such a fantastic community.

> Thank you for your continued support—I'm excited for all that lies ahead. With very best wishes, Max Kelly, Headteacher.

SWIMMING: Swimming starts in February - no need to send costumes, hats or towels until then!

With autumn just around the corner, here's a quick reminder about our wet morning arrangements! On very wet days, we will open the school 10 minutes earlier at 8:40 am to let the children in. Please note that the school takes responsibility for children from 8:50 am on normal days, so please avoid dropping them off too early.

This week we have been especially delighted to welcome our brand-new Reception children as they begin their school journey at Laxey. It has been wonderful to see so many happy smiles and excited faces as they settle into school life for the very first time. We also extend a warm welcome to the children and families who have joined us in other year groups at the start of this new school year - you are all very much part of the Laxey family, and we are so pleased to have you with us.

School Photographs

Mark your calendars—school photos are coming up soon! To On Wednesday, 24th September, Andrew Barton will be joining us for a full day of school pictures. These will include individual, class, and family group photos, so make sure everyone comes dressed smart and ready to shine! 👉 Family group photos with older siblings (secondary school) or younger siblings not yet at Laxey can be taken from 8:30 am - just drop by the Community Entrance, and Andrew will arrange everything. Proofs will be sent home for you to order (no obligation to buy), so keep an eye out for those.

Miss Bridson is now Mrs Pudgeon, and Miss Kelly is now Mrs Lemaire following their weddings over the summer! Congratulations!



We say a fond farewell to Mrs Mackie, who has left her role as Lunchtime Assistant. She has been a wonderful support to our pupils and families and will be greatly missed as she moves on to new opportunities - we wish her all the very best. We're delighted to welcome Esther and Ingrid into the Lunchtime Team. Already familiar to the children through their work in our cleaning team, they now join Ms Webb, Mrs McCauley and Sammy in supporting lunchtimes going forward.

