



# Connor Downs Academy

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Mrs. Eddy

# Autumn Term 2025

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As we approach the end of the Autumn term, it is time to celebrate what an incredibly busy, exciting and successful term we have all enjoyed.

Each class has produced a termly newsletter capturing the amazing range of work covered. I hope that you enjoy reading these letters and sharing in the successful learning journeys of our children.

Thank you for your ongoing support to enable your child/children to attend school, ready and eager to learn.



Year 5.

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Back in September, we welcomed our youngest children into Reception, and we are delighted with the way they settled so quickly, made friends and embraced their learning.



EYFS

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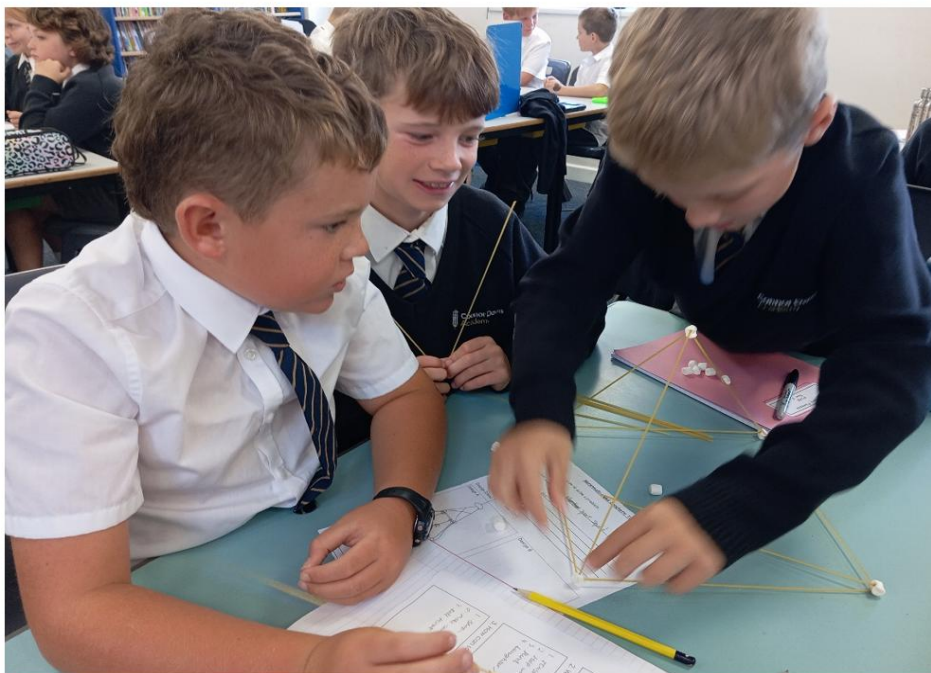
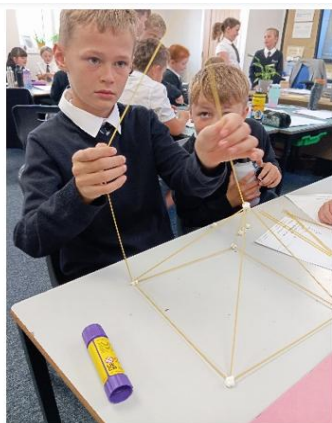
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We are proud of the hard work and dedication shown by our children and as a result, the pleasing progress which has been made.



Year 5 investigating Spaghetti Towers.

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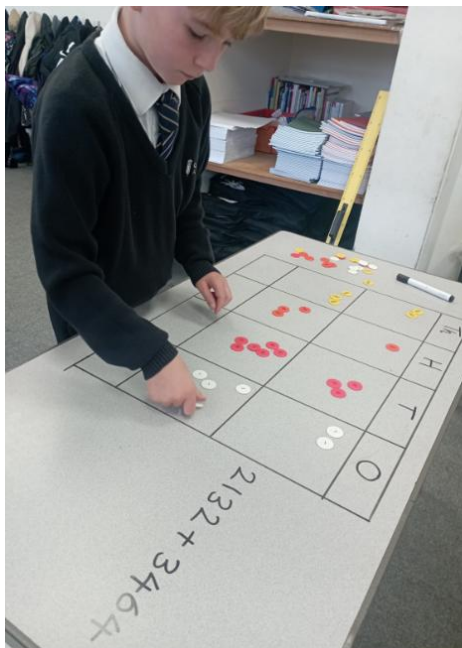
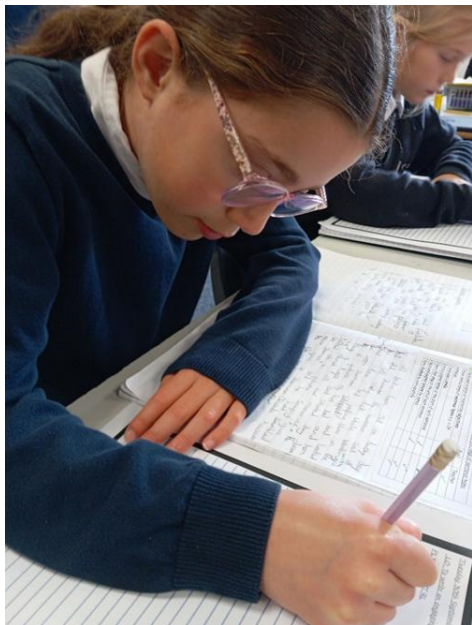
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There has been a vast array of trips, external visitors and enrichment activities for each year group to engage with, linked to their year group curricular coverage.



Year 1 visiting Penlee House Gallery and Museum to admire and be inspired by the artwork.

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Year 3 also enjoyed a fantastic day at Penlee House Gallery and Museum where they participated in a Stone Age to Iron age workshop.



Year 3.

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Year 5 enjoying their expedition to the summit of Rough Tor, to launch their biography writing about Sir Ernest Shackleton.



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Sports have been high on the agenda this term.

All KS2 classes have benefitted from dedicated swimming coaching at St Ives Leisure Centre.

After Christmas, KS1 children will commence their swimming lessons.



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Balance Bike lessons ensured that our EYFS children were supported to ride a traditional pedal bike by focusing on the core skills of balance, steering, and coordination first, without the distraction of pedals. This allows a smoother, faster transition to a standard bicycle later.



Year 6 cycling at Mounts Bay Academy.

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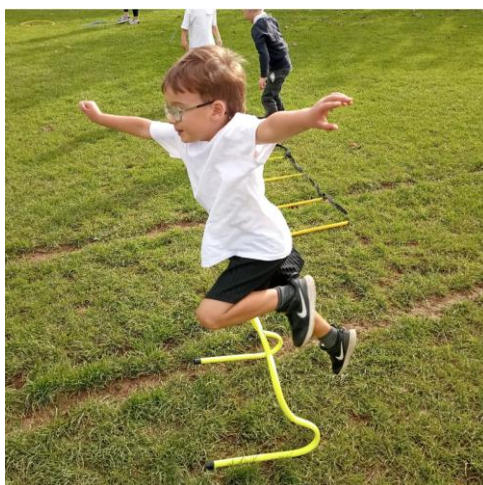
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Year 4

Learning to play tennis, taught by a professional coach.



Year 1 developing their coordination skills.

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Our Student Council represented Connor Downs Academy admirably at the Hayle Remembrance Sunday.



The children placed a wreath on the war memorial on behalf of all from Connor Downs Academy.



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Our term ended celebrating Christmas.

Thank you to our dedicated and hard-working Friends of Connor Downs Academy for their ongoing support to the school community. They organised and ran a very successful Autumn Disco, a Bag2School collection along with the amazing Christmas Fayre!

All funds raised support the purchase of additional resources for our children.



Santa visiting in the magical grotto, assisted by his elves!

EYFS and KS1 performing a beautiful Nativity at Phillack Church.

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Phillack Church Lighting of the Christingles.



KS2 performing their super carol concert; 'Noel,' at Phillack Church.

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Year 5



Through their singing of carols and the retelling of the Nativity story, they brought the spirit of Christmas alive to all.

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On behalf of all from Connor Downs Academy, I would like to wish you and your family health, happiness, peace and prosperity this Christmas and in the coming New Year.

I look forward to welcoming you back to school in 2026.

Kind regards,



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