



Connor Downs Academy

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A message from
Mrs. Eddy

Summer Term 2026

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As we come to the end of another busy, exciting and successful year at Connor Downs Academy, it is time to celebrate together all that has been achieved.

Our children have made super progress in their learning, showing a real dedication to their studies.

We are delighted across the school at the fantastic attainment and progress achieved in all year groups.

Please see below our Statutory attainment headlines for 2025-2026 which are all above National measures.

Key Results - 2025-2026						
Assessment	Statistic	Cohort	School Result	National Comparison	National Result	School Percentile Rank
KS2 Reading, Writing & Maths combined	% achieving the expected standard	27	74%	● At or above	63%	77th
KS2 Reading, Writing & Maths combined	% achieving the higher standard	27	11%	● At or above	~ 8%	73rd
Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)	% scoring full marks (25/25)	29	48%	● At or above	~ 44%	63rd
Phonics Screening Check	% passing in Year 1	18	83%	● At or above	~ 82%	49th
Early Years Foundation Stage	% achieving a Good Level of Development	12	75%	● At or above	~ 72%	58th

Please note that some school results may vary from official statistics. This can happen if Insight doesn't have data for all pupils. For example, data will be missing for a pupil who left school before you started using Insight.

Go to detailed results: [KS2](#) [MTC](#) [KS1](#) [Phonics](#) [EYFS](#)

Legend

- Above national (statistically significant)
- At or above national
- Below national
- Below national (statistically significant)
- Missing data
- ~ Estimated national

We are delighted for our children and our parent/carers community. Well done all!

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This year, we were also delighted to receive a letter of thanks from Bridget Phillipson, the previous Secretary of State for Education, commending our excellent outcomes for disadvantaged pupils.

A message from Bridget Phillipson



Dear Janice,

Congratulations to you and your team on the excellent outcomes the disadvantaged pupils at Connor Downs Academy achieved at the end of the 2024/25 academic year. Your school's performance places it among the very best nationally, and this is a significant achievement.

This success reflects the dedication of your staff and the hard work of your pupils. It shows what can be achieved when ambition and commitment come together. Thank you for everything you do to give children the best possible opportunities to succeed.

Your school's achievements demonstrate what is possible, and I hope you will continue to share your experience and best practice with others. Even the strongest schools can go further. We encourage you to lead the way as a system leader - sharing effective practice, championing networks, supporting collaboration, and helping raise standards across the sector.

There are real opportunities available for you to support improvement for a wider group of pupils including through:

- engaging actively with [your region's RISE networks](#) and partnering with nearby schools and trusts;
- contributing to regional roundtables and professional communities to spread the approaches that are working in your context; and
- sustaining excellence by continuing to focus on disadvantaged pupils

Please pass on my thanks and congratulations to your staff and pupils. I look forward to working with you as we strive together to raise standards for all.

Yours sincerely,

Bridget Phillipson
Secretary of State for Education

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The summer term, along with the entire school year, has been packed with exciting learning taking place in the classrooms, outside in Cultivating Futures and within our local environment and beyond.

The children have experienced a rich and varied range of enrichment activities to support their curricular learning including school visits, special visitors, careers day and opportunities for residential experiences, along with a huge array of sporting and arts events.



Year 6 enjoyed a surfing lesson at Gwithian beach this term which built on their skills and water confidence gained in Year 5.

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Year 5 surfers!

Special thanks to our parents and carers who supported our school events through volunteering, some even camping on the school field!

We are very grateful.

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There have been many school trips to enhance the learning in class with real life experiences.



Year 5 visiting Geevor Tin Mine.

Special visitors have enriched our lessons and careers day.

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Art and music have played a key part in our Summer term learning experiences.



Year 3 enjoying colourful artwork on their visit to the Tate Gallery and Barbara Hepworth Museum.



Year 2 sketching in Cultivating Futures.

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Special thanks must be extended to our superb Friends of Connor Downs Academy who have been tirelessly fundraising to support school projects. The school disco along with the pre-loved uniform sales, ice-cream sales and the spectacular summer fayre, have all raised considerable funds which will be used wisely to benefit all children within the school community.



Summer Fayre

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EYFS enjoying Cultivating Futures.



Year 1 visiting Pendennis Castle.



Cornish Pirates Rugby Event

We are very grateful for the ongoing support from our parents and carers. You have worked alongside us to enable our children to fully access their learning and to participate in the huge range of events offered, thank you.

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Each class teacher has created a summer term newsletter to showcase the amazing array of work covered this term. I hope that you enjoy reading these letters.

For our children and parents/carers who are leaving us this term, we wish you and your children the very best for the future. We hope that your time at Connor Downs Academy was special, meaningful and memorable.



On behalf of all at Connor Downs Academy, I would like to wish you and your family a super summer break. I hope that you have time to relax, enjoy the sun and stay safe and well.

Kind regards,



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