

BOSKENWYN



Boskenwyn School Newsletter

27th January 2023

MESSAGE FROM MISS BLACKBURN

Dear parents and carers,

It's nice to see the weather has brightened up! It is still quite chilly but at least it's dry. Another week of exciting learning at our lovely school passes by.

I've seen lots of aerodynamics going on in the older classes and lots of exploratory learning in the younger ones. One of the most exciting things for me was joining in with Mrs Nicholas class whilst they were learning about Antarctica from local expert, Charlie who was a transportation operative over there up until last year. It was so inspiring to listen to him and to look at the slides of the magnificent wildlife out there.

If you have a career or have visited a place which you feel would inspire our children then please do get in touch. It's always difficult to choose a career path and the more inspiration our children get from those around them, the wider their opportunities become.

Have a wonderful weekend

Paula Blackburn



of the **WEEK**

Rosemullion Class – Lolly, for trying really, hard in phonics!

Praa Sands Class – Jude, for his brilliant attitude in all of his learning this week.

Church Cove Class – Woody, for showing great perseverance this week.

Poldhu Class – Soren, for his excellent effort in his learning.

REMINDERS

Please remember to close all gates as you enter and leave the school grounds to help keep our children safe.

If you arrive after 8.45 (KS2) or 9.00 (KS1) please take your child to the office to sign them in.

If your child is going to be off, please phone the school office, 01326 572618, before 8:45am.

Take care with children when crossing the road as some traffic is travelling very fast.

Please do not park across the staff car park and obstruct the entrance.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Next Parent Governor Meeting:

3rd March– 9am

INSET Days

5–10 June

Term dates have already been sent to you but if you need another copy then let us know.

Class Photos

Friday 21st April at 9am

Extra Coronation Bank Holiday

Monday 8th May

Sports Day

Thursday 15th June at 2pm

KS2 Summer Production

Tuesday 4th July

There will be an afternoon and an evening production, both at Gweek Village Hall.

Year 6 Leavers Service

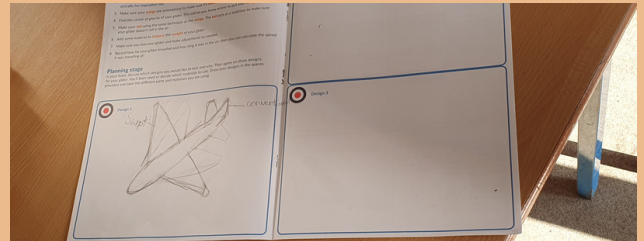
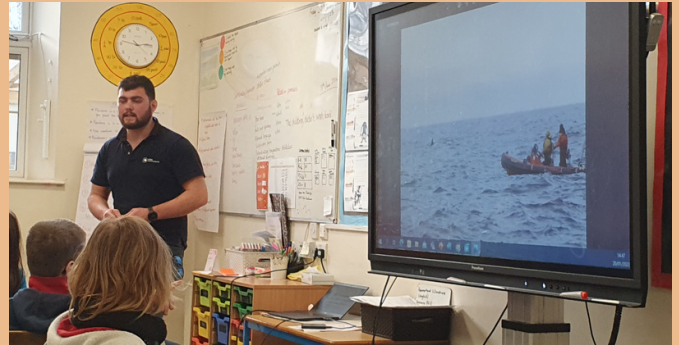
Monday 24th July at Gweek Village Hall starting at 2:30pm

CLASS UPDATE

Poldhu class

Poldhu have been continuing to impress us with their learning. In English, our writing has focused on the moon Pandora (from the Avatar movies). We have written diary extracts and have just started to write setting descriptions. In science, the children have been answering the question 'What is the Solar System?' by looking at the different planets and the moon. In maths, they have tackled fractions with resilience and determination. In history, we have been learning about Ancient Maya and this week the children were able to compare Ancient Maya and Anglo-Saxon civilisations. On Friday we were lucky enough to have Charlie Frost in, to speak to us about his work in South Georgia. The children (and staff) enjoyed listening to him talk about his job role, the island and the wildlife.

On Tuesday we took part in a RAF workshop building gliders and designing a sustainable aircraft. Great fun was had, and Sam and Finch's design has been chosen to be sent off to the regional competition.



PARENT GOVERNOR MEETINGS

The next Parent Governor meeting will take place in the Green Room (between Mr Conway and Mr Watson's classrooms) on 3rd March at 9am

Subsequent Meetings:

24th April 2023 2pm

22nd June 2023 9am

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

After School Clubs are intended for regular weekly attendance. If your child can't commit that, please let Linda know as we have a waiting list of children for some clubs which are already full.

Junk and old newspapers and magazines needed for KS1 construction club please!

HOUSE PLANTS NEEDED!

If you have house plants that you are able to take babies from eg spider plants, tradescantia, or other green, leafy plants, succulents or cacti - Mrs Larcombe would be very grateful for any cuttings to grow on for our Y5/6 terrarium making in March. We will require very small plants, and rooted cuttings. If you have any suitable material, please bring into school for Thursday or Friday next week.

Thanks very much!

FOBS NEWS

SILENT AUCTION

If you haven't yet paid for your prizes, they are in the school office waiting for your payment and collection. Please see Linda as she has the prizes safely put aside for you.

GIFT AMNESTY

Thank you so much to those of you who brought in your unwanted Xmas gifts, they will make fab prizes for future fobs events. If anyone has anything else they'd like to donate please bring it into the school office.

VALENTINES ' LOVE OUR SCHOOL' CAKE SALE

Last Friday of term, after school. Please donate your beautiful cake creations on the day. Please label ingredients xx

JUMBLE SALE

JUMBLE SALE IS ON! 7th Feb 3.30pm-4.30pm. Gweek village hall.

Please volunteer to help out as we need lots of hands on the day.

Please keep an eye out for the poster coming soon with more details. We will be needing donations of clothes and bric-a-brac.

Jules & Fobs x

NOTICE FOR THURSDAY'S AFTER SCHOOL OUTDOOR CLUB!

Could we ask all children attending this club to bring warm clothes, wellies (or walking boots) and waterproofs please? Yesterday's trip was quite muddy and wet - and it may well be like that for a while!

Thank you!

SNACKS AND DRINKS

No sweets for snacks at break times please - something more nutritious for the children is required.

We do sell tuck in the tuck shop, most items are priced at 25p and the children enjoy selecting their snack at morning break.

If you don't wish to leave your children with cash to buy tuck, please bring cash into the office and we will add it to your child's tuck account.

No energy drinks to be brought into school please.

SCHOOL CLOSURES IN EMERGENCY – AGREED NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE

Please see the guidance below from Cornwall Council. Sometimes schools have to make the decision to close either partially or fully due to inclement weather such as snow or other unforeseen circumstances. The procedures are revised annually. The agreed notification Procedure for our school is:

- 1) We will inform Cornwall Council so they can update their website
- 2) We will inform local radio stations (BBC Radio Cornwall, Goldmine FM, Heart FM, Pirate FM) so they can make announcements and update their websites
- 3) We will post on our Facebook pages, "The Federation of Boskenwyn and Germoe School," "Boskenwyn FOBS" and "Germoe FROGS"

If you wake up to a blanket of snow in the near future then please make sure you check one or more of the above places to keep up to date with school closures, it may be that we open later or close earlier so you will need to check before coming to school. If the school needs to close whilst the children are there then we will contact all parents via phone.



School emergency closures

A guide for parents / carers

We recognise that the decision to close a school in the event of an emergency (eg snow, flooding, no water or heating) significantly impacts upon you, as parents / carers. This guide outlines the agreed procedure which all schools are asked to follow and offers advice to parents / carers on the key things to consider, both before and after the decision to close has been made.

Guidance given to schools

Guidance and procedures are sent to all schools on an annual basis, usually at the start of the autumn term. To prevent the possibility of fraudulent school closures, schools are required to follow a verification process before providing school closure information. Schools are then asked to:

Undertake a risk assessment, using common sense to determine whether it is feasible for children and staff to remain in the school; and if not, what subsequent risks could arise by sending them home. Before school hours start, schools are also asked to assess if the roads are safe for children to travel to school.

Seek approval from the Governing Board (usually the decision of the Chair of Governors will suffice) to authorise the decision to close.

Notify Cornwall Council and the local radio stations (BBC Radio Cornwall, Goldmine FM, Heart FM and Pirate FM). Providing the school follow the agreed procedure, each of the radio stations have all agreed to broadcast details of all school closures.

We will publish a list of current school closures on the Cornwall Council website at **www.cornwall.gov.uk/schoolclosures** and on our social media channels.

Social Media

- **Facebook**
www.facebook.com/TFFCornwall
- **Instagram**
www.instagram.com/TFFCornwall
- **Twitter**
www.twitter.com/TFFCornwall

Know your school's procedure

Although schools are asked to follow this procedure, schools will have their own plan of action to be followed in the event of a closure. This should include details of how parents will be notified (eg via radio, text message, social media, etc). It is essential that schools communicate their plan to all parents as early as possible, and equally that all parents familiarise themselves with the agreed plan.

Who to contact

If the decision is made to close, you will be notified by the school's agreed notification procedure. Should you need to contact the school directly, please be aware that the line(s) may be busy or unavailable when a large number of parents are calling at the same time.

Useful websites

- **Cornwall Snow Advice**
www.cornwall.gov.uk/snow
- **Met Office**
www.metoffice.gov.uk
- **Environment Agency**
www.environment-agency.gov.uk
- **Devon and Cornwall Police**
www.devon-cornwall.police.uk

Contact us

Email:
togetherforfamilies@cornwall.gov.uk Call:
0300 1234 101



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School information finder - Boskenwyn

What information do you need?	Where to find the information
I need to contact school urgently	Phone on 01326 572618
I need to contact school non-urgently	Email secretary.boskenwyn@fbgschools.co.uk or email class teacher(name plus @fbgschools.co.uk)
I need to find a list of teachers	School website www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk Our school – Meet the staff
I need to know term dates	School website www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk Parent info – Term dates
I need to see if my child has homework or upload their homework	See saw Reading records
I want to report my child absent from school	Phone call before 0900 on 01326 572618
I want to find out about upcoming dates, trips etc	School website www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk Calendar
I want to read a school policy	School website www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk Our school - Policies
I want to see the school development plan	School website www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk Our school – school development plan
I want to see what is on the lunch menu	School website www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk Parent info – Menu Summer term (being refreshed at the end of October)
I want to find out about clubs	School website www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk Parent info - Newsletter
I want to look at a past or present newsletter	School Website www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk Parent info - Newsletter
I need to report a safeguarding matter to school	Phone or email 01326 572618 Paula Blackburn head@fbgschools.co.uk Angie Larcombe alarcombe@fbgschools.co.uk Denise Rusga drusga@fbgschools.co.uk