

BOSKENWYN



Boskenwyn School Newsletter

6th January 2023

MESSAGE FROM MISS BLACKBURN

Dear parents and carers,

Happy New Year. I hope you all had a lovely break. The children have settled back in well and started on their new topics. If you'd like to take a look at the overview of their learning for this term then you can find the topic webs on our website under the tab "classes" then click on their class. Their topics are:

EYFS/KS1 – Explorers

Y3/4 – The Romans

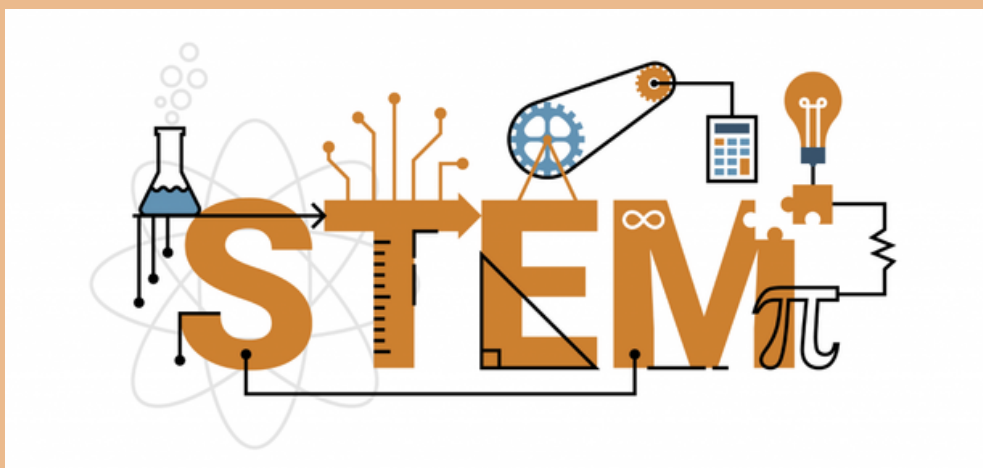
Y5/6 – The Maya

We are presently looking at which clubs can be offered this half term. We will contact you next week to let you know, and they will begin during week commencing 16th January.

Mr Conway and Mr Hemsley will be away on a science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) course next week. Mr Height, Y3/4 teacher at Germoe is coming over to cover for Mr Conway. Myself, Mr Barco and Miss Schellekens will be covering for Mr Hemsley. We look forward to hearing all about it.

We wish you a happy weekend.

Paula Blackburn





of the **WEEK**

Rosemullion Class – Matilda, for taking care in her work.

Praa Sands Class – Arlo, for his brilliant learning in phonics.

Church Cove Class – Jem, for his excellent effort throughout the week.

Poldhu Class – Lucas, for his great attitude to learning.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Next Parent Governor Meeting:

12th January – 2pm

INSET Days

5–10 June 23

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

Extra Coronation Bank Holiday

Monday 8th May

Sports Day

Thursday 15th June 23 at 2pm

REMINDERS

Please 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.

HOST FAMILIES FOR SWISS STUDENTS NEEDED!

Last summer we successfully hosted 6 Swiss Students at Boskenwyn school. The children really enjoyed having the students present in their classes; and the students had a fabulous time gaining valuable experience both in the school, and with their host families.

This year, we will be hosting our Swiss students from 25th June to 8th July 2023.

Host families receive £300 per student. For that, you will need to provide accommodation, all their meals, bring them to school and pick them up each day. (sending more than one student to the same family, and they can share a bedroom). The students are all CRB checked and they can provide proof of this. The students will be aged around 17–18 years old.

If you are interested, please let Linda in the office know as we would now like to give some real numbers to the Swiss School. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask.

CLASS UPDATE

Church Cove class

We have had a lovely first week back in our class this week. We have been looking at addition and subtraction in Maths.

We have introduced our new topic – Roman Britain. We will be exploring how conflict can lead to resolution in our Inquiry lessons. The children are already very excited about their new topic and we're looking forward to where their learning will take them throughout the term.

Happy New Year!



PARENT GOVERNOR MEETINGS

The next Parent Governor meeting will take place in the Green Room (between Mr Conway and Mr Watson's classrooms) on 12th January at 2pm

Subsequent Meetings:

3rd March 2023 – 9am

24th April 2023 2pm

22nd June 2033 9am

CAR SHARE

Please contact Linda in the office if you can arrange a regular car share with another child in Constantine. Thank you,

EGG INCUBATOR?

Are there any families who own an egg incubator that Praa Sands class could use for chicken eggs? And if so, are there any families who would be able to home them after they hatch?



GLASS CONTAINERS NEEDED!

SCROUNGE – Boskenwyn has been awarded some grant funding for a STEM based week in March. Plans are already afoot, and we're sending out a scrounge this side of Christmas, for any large jars or other large lidded glass containers that you may use over the Christmas period. The bigger the better – so those big ones with pickled eggs or onions in would be good, or any other sizeable glass container. If it doesn't have a lid, don't worry – we'll improvise. Think plant biome and if you feel it's big enough, we'll be delighted to have it.

Thanks, Angie Larcombe



FOBS

Thank you all so much for your support during the Christmas fobs activities. The Xmas fair was a great fun event with lots of games and merriment. Thank you volunteers for helping make it happen.

The silent auction was a huge success, special thanks to all who contributed prizes, those who bid and a HUGE well done to Jodie for organising it.
The two events combined raised over £900!

If you haven't yet paid for your prizes please contact me to arrange payment and collection.

On the final day of term I presented each class with a £50 voucher from FOB'S as a Christmas treat to purchase items of their choice. We hope they receive some great things soon!

GIFT AMNESTY ...if you were gifted any presents that weren't to your taste or you have items that you won't need or use Please consider bringing them into reception so fobs can use them as prizes at future events. Thanks

We have been having a few issues with our bank account, but once that has been sorted out we will be purchasing the playground equipment that the children have requested, more games for playtime!

January is a quiet month for FOBs as we all settle into the new year.

Please do get involved with our events and organising team during this year if your able. It's good fun, a great way of meeting others and such a lovely reward seeing so many smiles on the faces of our kids from the events that we put.

Enjoy the first term of the year! Jules & Fobs x

SNACKS

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.

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