

BOSKENWYN



Boskenwyn School Newsletter

10th February 2023

MESSAGE FROM MISS BLACKBURN

Dear parents/carers

Thank you once again for your continued support this half term. It seems to have whizzed by with lots of exciting learning, visits and visitors. Unfortunately, we have had a lot of staff absence this half term but on the plus side, it means I have been covering teaching in both schools and in most classes which I have really enjoyed.

Mr Hemsley and I travelled overnight last night up to Svalbard for a staff development trip funded by the Erasmus Project. We have just arrived (so I'm writing the newsletter on whilst on the way to our accommodation). We hope to bring back lots of wonderful ideas about teaching and learning and also about the effects of climate change and what we can do about it. We will move down to Tromsø on Tuesday and meet Miss Schellekens, Miss Brooks and Mrs VK. Our focus there will be inquiry based learning in Tromsø International School and primary school and outdoor learning in 4 of the kindergartens. I'm sure we will have lots to share with you at the next parent governor meeting.

Have a wonderful half term, I'm sure we will on our busman's holiday!

Take care

Paula Blackburn
(photo at Longyearbyen airport at 1315 today)





of the **WEEK**

Rosemullion Class – India, for her beautiful writing!

Praa Sands Class – Leonard, for great focus and determination.

Church Cove Class – Heidi, for her fantastic English writing.

Poldhu Class – Edyn, for trying hard with 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

Rosemullion class

This week we have been busy in Rosemullion class. We have finished off our recounts in English, and in Math's we have completed our unit on multiplication and division.

In Reception we have been looking at number bonds to five, and in Phonics we have been learning some new special friends.

We have also been busy baking our explorer biscuits and decorating them with yummy icing. We have been busy creating using small parts play and getting creative with paint.

We are all ready to recharge our batteries this half-term and have deserved a well-earned break!



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, and only water in the water bottles.

FOBS NEWS

SILENT AUCTION

If you haven't yet paid for your prizes, there are still a few prizes 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 still bring it into the school office.

Jules & Fobs x

LESSONS WITH CORNWALL MUSIC SERVICE TRUST

CMST are offering 2 types of instrument tuition here at Boskenwyn. If you are interested, please look at their website: CMST.co.uk and follow the links to music lessons, and then select to sign up for lessons. You need to select Boskenwyn School from the drop down box, and add the name of your child and instrument. At that point, you are not asked to pay, only to express interest.

If your child wants to learn anything else, you are able to express an interest in that same area on the website.

Children who are pupil premium, service personnel, or have a EHCP are eligible for a discount .

Guitar

A range of lessons covering Guitar Tuition

Group Type 1 (£5.63) - Based on a group of 4 for 30 minutes. Total group time length variable on size, 7.5 minutes per pupil on an individual basis.

Group Type 2 (£7.50) - Based on a Group of 2 for 20 minutes. Total group time length variable on size, 10 minutes per pupil on an individual basis.

Individual 20 Minute (£15.00)

Individual 30 Minute (£22.50)

Woodwind

A selection of Woodwind Lessons

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KS1 CONSTRUCTION CLUB - IMPORTANT - SEE BELOW

Construction club will not run on the following dates:

Thursday 23rd February

Thursday 16th March

So sorry for any inconvenience.

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 2033 9am

BACK TO SCHOOL!

School returns on Monday 20th February.

We will be on Week One of the School Dinner Menu

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

**FRIENDS OF THE
SANCTUARY**



**Cornish Seal
Sanctuary**

LOCAL ANNUAL PASS

MEMBERSHIP INCLUDES:

- 12 MONTHS RE-ENTRY
- 20% OFF IN THE CAFÉ
- 20% OFF RETAIL

**Purchase online
or on your visit to
the Cornish Seal
Sanctuary**



To thank you for your continued support, we're bringing back our discounted Friends of the Sanctuary Membership for 2023!

£14.50 per adult and £11.50 per child for 12 months entry!

(Only available to residents with TR, PL and EX postcodes. Proof of address will be required.
Available until 28th February 2023)

SEAL PUP MANIA!

**Dive into an ocean of fun this
February half term!**

Stories with Seals

Join Lily the Seal in our underwater viewing area for a special daily reading of 'Stardust' - a story all about a pup caught in hard times!

Weigh the Pup competition

Take part in our new competition to guess the weight of the pup in our hospital! Donate £1 and the closest winner will land a special prize.

Conservation Club (13th – 15th Feb, £120pp)

Discover a whole new world when you learn about our marine residents, seal pup rescue, conservation and more with this 3-day club. To book, call
01326 221361.

