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Dear Parent/Carer

We have come to the end of a very strange and challenging academic year! We are looking forward to getting back to some sense of normality for September by welcoming all of our children back to school; new pupils, new reception children and our existing children.

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September **will be closed to pupils** as staff re-prepare classrooms to make them as safe and as welcoming environment as can be. School will open to all pupils (except reception) for the full day on Friday **September 4<sup>th</sup> 2020 (0915 until 1515)**. On Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September we will return to full time, except for Friday afternoons where children can practice their amazing independent learning skills at home. They will be given a task to complete by Monday morning as part of our blended learning programme whilst their teachers do their planning, preparation and assessment time in school on Friday afternoon. We are hoping that this will only be for the first half term and we will continue to monitor this.

We are taking all necessary precautions to help prevent the spread of the virus and a second wave arriving so we expect parents to drop and go at their designated meeting area at the designated time. The **start time for your child will be 0915 and the finish time will be 1515 (1230 on Fridays**). Your child's classteacher or learning support assistant will meet your child at the large gate at the bottom of the playground. Please ensure you are punctual, we have staggered start/finish times to avoid any congestion. If you have more than one child in school and they have different start/finish times then please drop off at the earliest time and collect at the latest time, we will keep the other child supervised in their class until then. Unfortunately, we will not be running breakfast club or after school clubs during this half term due to the risk of cross contamination when children mix bubbles.

For the first half term, your child's classteacher will be Mr Conway and their learning support assistant will be Mrs Murphy. Our intention is to keep children with the classteacher they know after such a long period out of school for at least the first half term. This is not possible for all children due to some staffing changes, we have ensured the learning support assistant remains the same in these cases.

As a precautionary measure, you can only enter the classroom or school office by prior appointment arranged by email. All payments can be paid by bank transfer. Lunches remain at £2.30 per day. If you order lunches for a whole week and pay up front then you get Friday free so you would pay only £9.20 for the week. We will not be providing hot school meals during this half term. Packed lunches will be available to those who order school lunch via secretary email as below and they will also be provided for those on free and universal school meals (including Fridays).

School sweatshirts (£10) and bookbags (£5) can be ordered via email to

<u>secretary@boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk</u> and paid on receipt of goods via bank transfer. These can be collected from school on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, please ring the office to let them know and you will be met at the gate.

Bank Details: Boskenwyn CP School, Acct No. 56591578 Sort code. 60-21-37

We do not expect children to wear uniform on the first day back (Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September) as this will be an informal "getting to know you" day where the children will be engaging in lots of inquiry based, fun activities and learning about/ becoming familiar with the new routines and environments. We do expect them to wear uniform from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2020.

Uniform : School sweatshirt or Sapphire or Navy jumper/cardigan, red polo shirt, navy or black joggers, trousers or skirt. Blue checked dresses or navy shorts can also be worn. Comfortable shoes or trainers, no sandals. PE Kit should be worn to school on PE days (timetables will be sent home on first day), this is to save changing in school as spaces will be limited. Polo shirt and shorts/joggers and plimsolls/trainers.

Our staff training (INSET) days will be the same as usual, grouped together the week after May half term (see attached term dates) turning this into a 2 week holiday for pupils rather than 1.

We will be taking all precautionary measures as recommended by government and Public Health England to ensure our school and our staff and children are as safe as possible at all times. These include regular hand washing, anti-bacterial wiping of surfaces, enhanced daily cleaning and weekly deep cleaning, social distancing where possible, bubbles of 20 children or less, ensuring there is no cross contamination by keeping bubbles apart so staggered break and lunch times, regular revision of good hygiene; sneezing or coughing into crook of arm or tissue, front facing desks (older classes). Hopefully, things will ease as time goes on and the virus disappears but until then we will continue this practice.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support and we are looking forward to seeing you in September. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask us.

Have a lovely Summer, take care and stay safe,

Paula Blackburn