

BOSKENWYN



Boskenwyn School

Newsletter

20th January 2023

MESSAGE FROM MISS BLACKBURN

Dear parents and carers,

Thank you for your patience and understanding this week with the last minute weather warnings and late openings. There is a procedure we have to follow which includes a risk assessment of the situation and of the weather we are informed of in different parts of the county where our staff live. Sometimes it may not be as icy/snowy in the immediate vicinity but very icy/snowy just down the road. By opening late we are safeguarding all families and also staff, giving the ground time to thaw a little and preventing risk of skidding or worse. I hope it didn't cause you too much inconvenience.

I've spent most of the week at Germoe, covering staff absence and I've had a lovely time with reception, year 1 and year 2. Mrs Nicholas and I attended an LGBT+ training and information course yesterday so we can learn more about how to help and support our children and families. If you would like to talk about any LGBT+ issues then please do not hesitate to contact one of us.

Staff have returned from their Erasmus trips and I am putting together a report from their recent travels. I will signpost you to this once completed.

Have a lovely weekend

Paula Blackburn





of the **WEEK**

Rosemullion Class – Walter, for working hard independently!

Praa Sands Class – Tyler, for his amazing effort in English.

Church Cove Class – Torren, for his amazing behaviour for learning in all of his lessons.

Poldhu Class – Otto W, for working hard especially in inquiry and science sessions.

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.

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

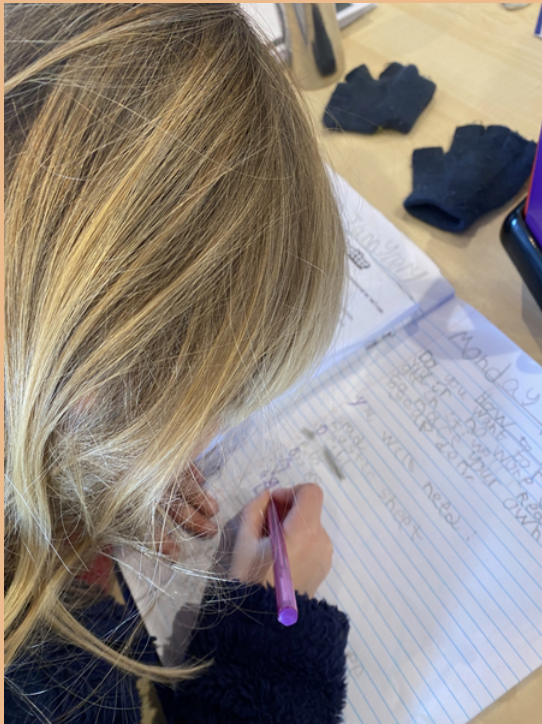
Monday 24th July at Gweek Village Hall starting at 2:30pm

CLASS UPDATE

Pra Sands class

It has been a very busy and exciting start to the term for Praa Sands Class. We have been writing instructions on how to build a den in English, with the class having their first attempt at editing and improving their writing! We have continued to develop number sense in Maths, while studying different explorers in Inquiry.

The class have also set themselves their own challenges to achieve in PSHE, with some deciding to learn the Macarena dance! We have also focused on Rugby in PE, and recorded our own rendition of I Go Africa in Music.



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.

PLEASE JOIN US!

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.

JUMBLE SALE

Jumble sale....clothes and bric-a-brac. If we have enough of you to volunteer to help organise and run, this will take place on 7th Feb after school . PLEASE GET IN TOUCH ASAP TO LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN GETTING INVOLVED. We will be deciding on Monday if it will go ahead or not.

Jules & Fobs x

POLDHU CLASS!

Could we ask all parents/carers of children in Poldhu class to read the email sent out earlier this week about the trip to Bristol, and respond to Linda?

We are trying to confirm numbers so we don't lose our place at any of the events we've reserved. 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



Early Help Newsletter – Spring 2023

Free information, support and guidance for Parents and Carers



Parenting Support Courses Future Highlight

We offer interactive parenting courses both online and face to face. Service requests can be made through the Early Help Hub.

www.cornwall.gov.uk/earlyhelphub

The courses available are:

- o **Being Passionate About Parenting - Early Years 1 - 3 years (3 x 1½ hours)**
- o **Being Passionate About Parenting - 4 - 11 years (3 x 2 hours)**
- o **Being Passionate About Parenting with basic introduction and an awareness to ADHD - 5 – 11 years (3 x 2 hours)**
- o **Being Passionate About Parenting with a basic introduction and awareness about the “Spectrum” 5 – 11 years (3 x 2 hours)**
- o **Being Passionate About Parenting – The Teenage Brain 12 -17 years (3 x 1½ hours)**
- o **Take 3 – Supporting Teenagers 12 – 17 years (5 x 2 hours virtual or 10 x 2 hours face to face)**

Following completion of Take 3 you can book for an optional session). All 2 ½ hours via the EHH.

- o **Introduction to Teenagers with Sensory Challenges**
- o **Introduction to Teenagers with Traits of ADHD**
- o **Introduction to Teenagers with Autistic Traits**

Just for Dads

You can also find information tailored just for you on the Family Information Service –

www.supportincornwall.org.uk/fordads



Need help?

Contact the Early Help Hub on 01872 322277 for support, advice and guidance.

If you have immediate concerns or are worried about a child or young person's safety, please telephone the Multi Agency Referral Unit (MARU) on 0300 123 1116

For further updates and information on what's happening in your area visit us on Facebook:

www.facebook.com/TEFCornwall

Autism Cafe Cornwall

For Parents/Carers run by Parents/Carers
This group hold regular meet ups offering an opportunity to speak, be heard, meet and support whilst enjoying tea/coffee and biscuits. Find them on Facebook or email Autismcafecornwall@gmail.com for information about meet ups.

Positive Parenting Bitesize

If you would like to be able to talk in confidence and meet other parents experiencing similar challenges, come along. All sessions run from 12:30pm to 2:30pm

Tuesday 24 January 2023 - Healthy Lifestyle and Preparing for Pregnancy and Parenthood Tue

Tuesday 28 February - Wild young parents and dads Tuesday 21 March – Guest speaker Tigger Pritchard about Autism and Neurodiversity

Tuesday 18 April – Passionate About Being Calm

To get your Microsoft Teams link for the session contact:

julie.attwell@cornwall.gov.uk

Want to support and understand your child's emotions as well as your own. Why not attend SPACE Support

Supporting Parents and Children Emotionally request your space through the Early Help Hub.



Let's Talk Teenagers' webinars set up to help parents and carers understand and support their teenagers to navigate the challenges of today's world.

The sessions are being run on:

Tuesday 21 February

Tuesday 28 February

Tuesday 7th March

The Eventbrite link will be sent out through schools and organisations. The 90-minute sessions will be delivered on Teams, and a free booklet will accompany the online event, which will be sent out to delegates afterwards.



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Positive Parenting Bitesize (formerly Behaviours that Challenge) Virtual/On-line Support Group

Information Classification: CONTROLLED

Tuesday 24 January 2023 at 12:30-2:30pm – Healthy Lifestyle and Preparing for Pregnancy & Parenthood

Microsoft Teams meeting

Join on your computer, mobile app or room device

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 344 337 286 305

Passcode: kFeeRe

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Or call in (audio only)

+44 20 7660 8305,,631655044# United Kingdom, London

Phone Conference ID: 631 655 044#

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Tuesday 28 February at 12:30-2:30 pm - Wild - young parents and dads

Microsoft Teams meeting

Join on your computer, mobile app or room device

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 340 189 779 690

Passcode: b8YKBk

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Tuesday 21 March at 12:30-2:30pm – Guest speaker Tigger Pritchard about Autism and Neurodiversity

Microsoft Teams meeting

Join on your computer, mobile app or room device

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Meeting ID: 314 916 459 495

Passcode: kuTyBb

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Tuesday 18 April at 12:30-2:30pm – Passionate about Being Calm

Microsoft Teams meeting

Join on your computer, mobile app or room device

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 320 950 692 727

Passcode: KANrH2

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For further information please contact

Julie Attwell Email: julie.attwell@cornwall.gov.uk



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Adventure childcare and family days out at Via Ferrata Cornwall this Half Term!

Are your children aged 6-13, up for fun outdoor adventures and ready to learn new skills and make friends? Check out our Adventure Holiday Club!

This Half Term we're running adventure quarry games, zip-lining, climbing, archery, catapulting and Canoeing! You can simply drop your children off and leave them with us for an epic adventure to remember! We offer flexible options to fit around your working day, so you can treat your child to half a day or a full day with us.

We also offer family days out, with a range of exciting activities: Via Ferrata (the ultimate high wire adventure with zip wire), freshwater coasteering, rock climbing, archery and watersports! There's also a Cafe, free nature trails and a wild play area for under 10's. Check out our website for more. Search: Viaferratacornwall.co.uk

