



Boskenwyn School

Newsletter

24th October 2025

MESSAGE FROM MISS BLACKBURN

Dear parents and carers

What a lengthy half term this has been! I'm sure you will all be glad of a well-deserved break. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support over this half term.

Wishing you a great break; happy Halloween to those who celebrate! Stay safe and I will see you all refreshed and ready on 3rd November for the run-up to Christmas!

Best wishes

Paula Blackburn



WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Harvest Festival

Tuesday 4th November
Gweek Village Hall

Parents coffee meeting

Monday 17th November 9am
note change of day

KS2 Christmas Production

Monday 8th December Gweek Village
Hall – Afternoon and Evening

School Christmas Dinner

Tuesday 16th December

Class Photos

Monday 27th April – AM

Parents coffee meeting

Thursday 5th February 2:30pm

Parents coffee meeting

Wednesday 18th March 9am

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Mondays

- KS2 Football
with Mr Watson

**This club will not run when there
is a football league game on:
24th Nov, 1st Dec.**

Tuesdays

- Year 3/4 Lego Club
with Mr Hemsley
- Year 5/6 Greenpower Club
with Mrs Nicholas
- KS1 Seasonal Crafts
with Mr Lawrence

Thursdays

- Eco Club
with Miss Schellekens

**Wraparound Breakfast Club
available from 8am and after
school care until 4:30pm daily**

SAFETY REMINDERS

Please do not park across the staff car park and obstruct the entrance.
Drive slowly when you enter and leave the school.

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CLASS UPDATE

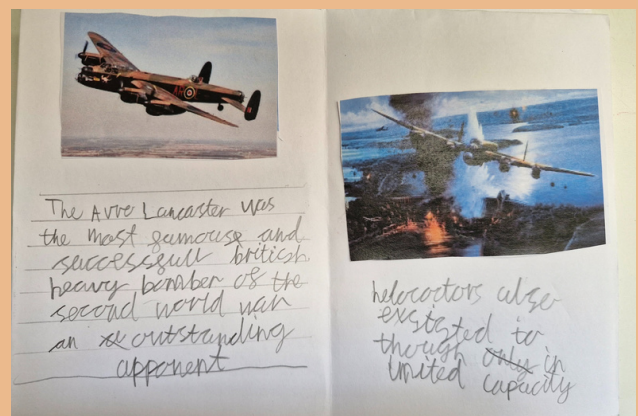
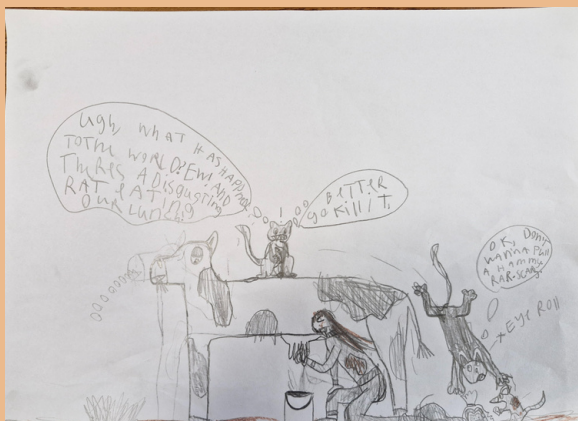
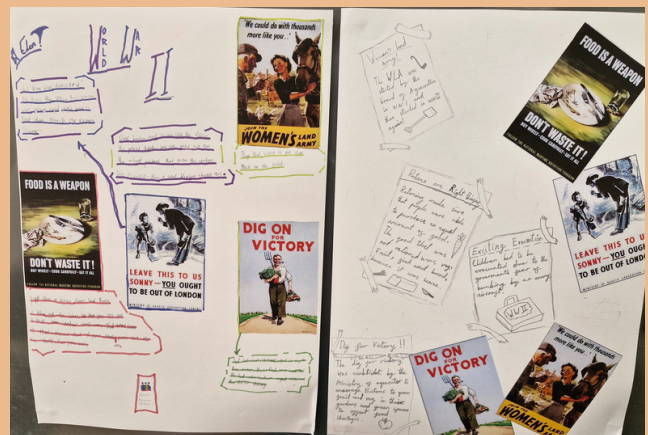
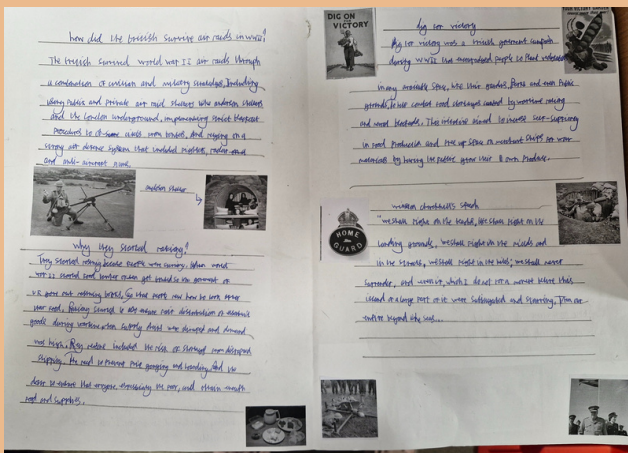
Poldhu Class

What a wonderful couple of weeks Poldhu have had!

We are just getting to the end of our non-chronological report unit, and we have all been so impressed with the children's writing. This has showcased not only their writing ability but also their creativity.

In our inquiry sessions we have been learning about how World War 2 started and how Britain's Home Front coped with being under attack. The children have learnt about areas that interested us such as rationing, evacuation and The Home Guard, to name but a few. We have enjoyed seeing their learning presented in creative ways.

We were also lucky enough to go to Helston College for an afternoon of football with Mr Studd. The children enjoyed having the space to practice their skills in and we are looking forward to our next visit.



HOW SOUNDS – WRITE BOOKS WORK

For parents of children in Rosemullion Class, below is a link on how Sounds–Write books work, how best to support your child and a link to a course about how to support your child with their reading at home:

<https://sounds-write.co.uk/decodables-help/>



Please do not hesitate to ask your child's class teacher if you need any further understanding regarding the sounds-write programme.

POPPY APPEAL

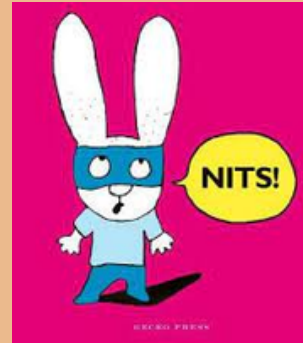
Our usual poppies and extras are on sale from the office for you/your children to purchase during their breaktimes or before/after school.

Please can you allow them to bring in a donation to put into the pot?



NITS!

Please check your children's hair over the half term. We still have cases of nits being reported and we'd all like to start November nit free please!



HEALTH AND SAFETY FIRST!

Please do not bring scooters, skateboards or similar onto the school playground at the beginning or end of the day.

The playground is quite busy, and this is a real health and safety hazard with so many people milling about.

Please respect the school rules and grounds by not allowing your child/ren to climb the hedges/tree/gates at drop off and pick up.

Finally, please securely close and lock ALL GATES behind you.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Our annual Harvest Festival will take place on Tuesday 4th November at Gweek Village Hall starting at 2.30. All welcome!

This will include our harvest auction to raise money for Helston food bank.

All donations of auction items will be greatly appreciated!

FOBS NEWS

Harvest Festival

FoBS will be doing the refreshments for the Harvest Festival, which follows half term, on Tuesday 4th November. We are asking for donations of baked goods to sell and to be dropped in reception Tuesday morning.

Please can we ask NO NUTS in any baked goods.

We are also looking for helpers – please get in touch if you can help serve or clear up after by emailing Boskenwynfobs@gmail.com

BBC Children In Need – Friday 14th November

Non-school uniform day! Wear your favourite PJ's in exchange for cash to Children in Need.

Thank you all!



ECO CLUB

What a busy first term it has been at Eco Club!

At yesterday's session we were adding some parts to our mosaic and it's coming on beautifully. If anyone has any broken navy blue crockery to donate, we would welcome some.

We also had an invitation to attend a school climate action event. It is co-hosted by the Department of Education's Youth Sustainability Champions and the University of Plymouth. This event is for KS2 pupils only and we are taking a selected group of 15 children from Eco Club and GreenPower, who are all extremely excited despite the early morning start on our first day back after the half term! We will report back to you all later.

Finally, we wish everyone a lovely half term, and enjoy your trick or treating!

The Eco Warriors



GREENPOWER CLUB

Wow, what a bake sale!

A huge thank you to everyone that supported us.

We sold out and took a grand total of £92.50! The children are already talking about holding another one so watch this space.

We are still very much in fundraising mode and are hoping to hold an auction not long after we return in November.

If you are able to donate and goods or know anyone who might be interested in supporting us, please get in touch

Many thanks,

The GreenPower Team





PARENT CARER COFFEE MORNING

A relaxed drop-in event for Parents and Carers of Children with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND).



- Grab a free drink and snack.
- Meet other Parents and Carers.
- Ask your questions and give feedback.
- Have a look through our resources and signposting information.

WHERE AND WHEN

Date: Monday 15th December 2025

Time: 09:30-11:30am

Location: Helston Family Hub, Bulwark Road, Helston, TR13 8JF.

Hosted by: Georgie Watson (she/her)
georgiepcc@outlook.com

www.parentcarerscornwall.org.uk



Cornwall Partnership
NHS Foundation Trust

**The Mental Health Support Team warmly
invite you to attend...**

Wild Wellbeing

**During October half term we are offering FREE nature based
creative sessions linked to the 5 ways to wellbeing.
This is for parents and children aged 5-12 in Cornwall.
Please book EACH child on to a session.**

Morning and afternoon sessions available at:

**The Core at St Ives Community
Orchard - Thursday 30 October**

Hayle Family Hub - Friday 31 October

**We are also offering a Parentwell session at
Penrose Estate - Monday 27 October**

Each session will last approx. 2 hours

**To request a place, please complete the online
form or scan the QR code provided:**

<https://forms.office.com/e/vc2Dtk8C5B>

**Follow us on Facebook for updates and
upcoming events:**

Cornwall Mental Health Support Team (MHST)



OCTOBER HALF TERM ACTIVITY CAMPS

SCHEDULE 2025

Tuesday 21st Bushcraft

(Survival skills & Combat)

Wednesday 22nd - Bushcraft

(Wild cooking & foraging)

Thursday 23rd - Bushcraft

(Explorer, navigation & tracking)

Monday 27th - Multi Sport Activity Camp

Tuesday 28th - Multi Sport Activity Camp,

Wednesday 29th - Multi Sport Activity Camp

Thursday 30th - Multi Sport Activity Camp

Friday 31st - Halloween Special Activity Camp

BOOKINGS GO LIVE MONDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER!

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**SPORTS
CENTRE**

www.sirbenainsliesportscentre.com



A WORD FROM OUR CHAIR OF GOVERNORS

Become a Governor at Boskenwyn!

Are you passionate about education and eager to make a difference in our school community? Our governing board (joint with Germoe) is looking for new governors, and in particular for those who can represent the needs of Boskenwyn.

Influence School Decisions: Play a key role in shaping the future of our schools.

Support Our Students: Help ensure every child receives the best possible education.

Develop New Skills: Gain valuable experience in governance and leadership.

This is open to parents or guardians of current or future students, or anyone committed to the school's vision and values. We meet once each half term, with the occasional need for ad hoc extra sessions.

To learn more or to express your interest, please contact Bertie Archer (chair) at bertie.archer@fbgschools.co.uk

Please join us in making Boskenwyn and Germoe even better places for our children to learn and grow!



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

SCHOOL CLOSURES IN EMERGENCY – AGREED NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE

Please see the attached guidance 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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