

# Boskenwyn School Newsletter

8th November 2024

#### **MESSAGE FROM MISS BLACKBURN**

Dear parents and carers,

I hope you had a lovely half term and kept yourselves safe over Hallowe'en and Bonfire night. Now, we're on the countdown for Christmas!

Thank you so much to all the parents and children of Years 5 and 6 for your patience in this week of change - you have all coped so well with the different location and also the dual locations where there have been siblings still at our school site

Next week is Anti-Bullying week across the UK and we will be talking to the children about what bullying is, how to spot signs, how to deal with it etc. In order to raise awareness, children can come to school all of next week in their most outrageous socks or tights; if they are odd socks then even better!

We also have Children in Need next Friday. Children can come to school next Friday in their PJ's, dressed as Pudsey or in spotty clothes, all we ask is a small donation which we will give to the charity.

Have a lovely weekend

Paula Blackburn

#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

#### **Children in Need**

Friday 15th November
Children wear pyjamas in exchange
for a donation to children in need.

### Parents coffee and cake meeting

Tuesday 19th November 2:30pm

#### **Christmas Panto!**

Monday 9th December

#### **FoBS Christmas Fair!**

Tuesday 9th December

#### **KS2 Christmas Production**

Monday 16th December, afternoon and evening performances at Gweek Village Hall

#### **School Christmas Dinner!**

Wednesday 18th December

#### **End of Autumn term**

Friday 20 December Finish 1:30pm

#### **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

Children are expected to attend their chosen club throughout the term, not just a one-off session.

## MONDAY KS2 Football with Mr Watson

TUESDAY
Year 3&4 LEGO with Mr Hemsley

WEDNESDAY
Art Club with Bronwen Tyrrell
until Christmas only

THURSDAY
Eco/Nature Club with Mrs Rusga
No club on 14 November

AFTER SCHOOL CARE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS BOTH FINISH AT 4:30PM PROMPT.

#### REMINDERS

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.

#### **CLASS UPDATE**

#### **Praa Sands Class**

We came back from our half term break refreshed and ready for learning. We had lots to discuss and write about, sharing our experiences.

We launched an inquiry into the choices that people make and the impact on equality by playing games and looking at thought provoking pictures to formulate ideas about what is fairness?

Our new science topic is all about offspring and we enjoyed sharing what we know about baby animals and also learning some new facts. Who knew guinea pigs give birth to pups?

We are all looking forward to the excitement of this half-term leading up to Christmas and ready for new challenges.

We wish you all a restful weekend.



#### **ECO CLUB**

We were a little bit disappointed this week not to have received any plastic from beach cleans. The children are keen to plan and execute an art project to raise awareness of the serious problem of ocean plastics. We have long armed litter pickers to lend if you would like to borrow them and would love to receive your clean plastic from beach cleans so we can analyse where it comes from and plan our art project. Posters attached to raise awareness and plea for your plastic.

We also did our regular playground litter pick which produced a reduced yield which was good. The main source of litter was snack packets and remains of snacks ie apple cores and carrot stubs. We discussed the benefits of bringing in snacks that are not wrapped or buying non wrapped snacks from the tuck shop which lessens the disposables.

Have a lovely half term break and if you do a beach clean please save your plastics for us!

### Denise Rusga, Chantalle Schelleckens and the Eco Club committee





#### **FOBS NEWS**

It's ONLINE AUCTION TIME!

It's the best auction ever, the biggest one yet!

The auction that no one will ever forget!

Every penny raised goes towards a new climbing frame. Please SHARE the link with friends and family far and wide for the more bidders.

Some amazing items await- all starting at just £1:

**Secret Beach Sailing Day Trip** 2 Nights Stay in a country cabin 2 Nights Stay in a fistral apartment Original Charcoal by Hazel Ashe MOT for car or van **Bundes of Kiln dried logs Gardening services** Homemade soaps **Lappa Valley voucher** Via ferata voucher Homemade beanie Taster sessions at Tide Climbing Signed books **Beauty products** Piano lesson Saffron Huns Pecan Pie **Pottery by Debbie Prossier** Sound healing session **National Trust day passes Prints by Sketchy Mama Cornish Seaweed Company Bundle** Jewellerv **Sketch and Paint Studio Set Mooshmallow Fondue Set Boo Koos voucher Elevenses Gin Fusion football** Circus skills classes **Handmade Christmas Cards** 

Follow our school facebook or go direct to <a href="https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/boskenwynchristmasauction">https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/boskenwynchristmasauction</a>





Little Hummingbird Intuitive welcomes you

## FAMILY SOUND JOURNEY

Sunday, November 17th, 3pm-4.30pm



email: sadie@hummingbirdintuitive.com

#### Relaxing, Connecting & Creating Together

As the full moon's energy settles, we will enjoy a soothing cup of chamomile tea and have a special opportunity to release any fears and worries, offering them to the fire with cedar, inviting healing and renewal.

Discover the calming power of sacred instruments as we introduce their healing sounds.

Get cosy together as a family or on separate yoga mats/rugs as we begin mindful breathing for our guided sound healing meditation.

Bring out your inner musician as we have lighthearted jamming and song creation with instruments.

Aimed for ages 5+however all are welcome, including babes in arms free. Adults £10 Children £5

#### **SWISS STUDENTS**

Last term we successfully hosted 5 Swiss Students at Boskenwyn school.

The children really enjoyed having the Students present in their classes, and the Students had a fabulous time both at the school, and with their host families.

This year, we will be hosting our Swiss students from Sunday 22nd June to Saturday 5th July 2025.

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. (We are happy to send more than one student to the same family and the students 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. They are German speaking, but they all speak excellent French and English.

If you are interested, please let Linda know so I can give a rough estimate of numbers to the Swiss School. They are looking to accommodate 160 students this year – so every place is gratefully accepted!



1hr online **Worry Workshop** 

Cornwall Partnership

Monday 13th January - 9:30am & 2pm Tuesday 14th January - 11am & 4pm Wednesday 15th January - 09:30am & 1:30pm Thursday 16th January - 11am & 4pm



This workshop aims to provide psychoeducation on "What is worry?" and "Why does my child worry?" Also includes practical strategies for helping children manage their worries.

To book a place please complete the online form **HERE** https://forms.office.com/e/YR5M eEwtEF or scan the QR code



This workshop is open to parents/carers of primary aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 6 in any school in Cornwall





Parents and Carers please join us at our
1hr online
Resilience Workshop

Monday 20th January - 9.30am & 4pm
Tuesday 21st January - 11am & 2pm
Wednesday 22nd January - 11.30am &
4pm
Thursday 23rd January - 9.30am & 1.30pm



This workshops aims to talk about the meaning of resilience, explore building resilience and look at how and when a young person should ask for help.

To book a place please complete the online form <u>HERE</u>
<a href="https://forms.office.com/e/TE2U">https://forms.office.com/e/TE2U</a>
<a href="mailto:mBZrHK">mBZrHK</a> or scan the QR code



This workshop is open to parents/carers of primary aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 6 in any school in Cornwall





Parents and Carers please join us at our
1hr online
Behaviour Workshop

Monday 27th January - 9.30am & 2pm Tuesday 28th January - 11.30 am & 4pm Wednesday 29th January - 9.30am & 1.30pm Thursday 30th January - 11.00am & 4pm



This workshop provides parents with practical strategies to foster positive behaviour and communication at home.

To book a place please complete the online form <u>HERE</u>
<a href="https://forms.office.com/e/1Pw">https://forms.office.com/e/1Pw</a>
<a href="mailto:GDXSQ40">GDXSQ40</a> or scan the QR code



This workshop is open to parents/carers of primary aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 6 in any school in Cornwall



Parents and Carers please join us at our
1hr online
Sleep Workshop



Monday 3rd February - 11am & 4pm
Tuesday 4th February - 9.30am & 2pm
Wednesday 5th February - 9.30am &
1.30pm
Thursday 6th February - 11am &
1.30pm



This workshop aims to provide psychoeducation on sleep hygiene and sleep routines. Also includes practical strategies for helping children

To book a place please complete the online form <u>HERE</u>
<a href="https://forms.office.com/e/7ac7q">https://forms.office.com/e/7ac7q</a>
<a href="https://forms.office.com/e/7ac7q">HLPhc</a> or scan the QR code



This workshop is open to parents/carers of primary aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 6 in any school in Cornwall



## 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	See saw
their homework	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 <u>drusga@fgbschools.co.uk</u>

## 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** 



