

# BOSKENWYN



# Boskenwyn School

## Newsletter

15th March 2024

### MESSAGE FROM MRS NICHOLAS

Dear parents and carers,

What another wonderful week we have had here at Boskenwyn!

Parent meetings have been in full swing, and it has been lovely hearing about how positive they have been. Thank you for attending and giving your support.

On Wednesday Mrs Larcombe and I were lucky enough to attend A Whole School Approach to Mental Health conference in Newquay. We listened to Dr Pooky Knightsmith talk about shaping supportive communities and then navigating student behaviour and anxiety. It was good to see that there were lots of strategies that we are already using, but we have also come away with some new ideas to try and we look forward to feeding back to our staff about what we have learnt. If you are interested finding out more about Pooky you can visit her website [About - Dr Pooky Knightsmith](#)

I briefly met with Nicky this week about our playground refurbishment. FOBs are working very hard behind the scenes and there are some very exciting plans in place. We discussed the possibility of hold a work day after Easter to tidy up the school grounds. Look out for a date soon!

Finally, huge thanks to Dart Architects for their kind and generous donation towards our Greenpower cars. We really can't do it without you all!



Wishing everyone a lovely restful weekend,

Mrs Nicholas



## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

### **Coffee and Cake - all parents welcome**

Tuesday 23rd April 9am

### **Class Photos**

Monday 29th April 9am

### **Sports for Schools Athlete Event**

Monday 17th June 1pm

### **Sports Day**

Tuesday 18th June 2pm

### **Coffee and Cake - all parents welcome**

Thursday 20th June 3pm

### **KS2 Summer Production - Day/Evening**

Tuesday 9th July

### **Leavers' Service**

Tuesday 23rd July 2:30pm

### **Last Day of Term - half day!**

Wednesday 24th July 1:30pm

## **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

### **Mondays**

KS2 Football with Mr Hemsley

KS1/Reception Stay & Play with Mr Watson.

### **Tuesdays**

Eco Club with Mrs Rusga

### **Thursdays**

Year 5/6 only - Greenpower with Mr Monhemius.

Please let Linda know if you would like to reserve a place for your child.

**ALL CLUBS FINISH AT 4:30PM  
INCLUDING AFTER SCHOOL  
CARE**

## **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

### Church Cove Class

We have had such a busy few weeks in Church Cove Class!

We visited Truro Museum last Friday for an Egyptian workshop, looking at a range of different artefacts, looking at the steps of mummification, various treasures and even a real mummy! In addition to this, we have been making our own Egyptian Death Masks in Inquiry, using unique patterns and colours.

We have also started a research Inquiry into additional questions that the class would like to find out more about from Ancient Egypt.

In English, we have been writing Poetry, writing our own Kenning poems and looking at Tetractys poems this week. In Maths, we have been learning multiplication, focusing on different times tables and using a range of strategies such as arrays, grid method and distributive law.

We have also been playing basketball in PE, as well as choreographing our own Egyptian dancing down at the Gweek Village Hall.



## ECO CLUB

There was no meeting this week due to parent consultations. We would like to make a plea for wild flower seeds or any plants that are good for attracting wildlife such as buddleia bushes. We are trying to make our limited space as wildlife friendly as possible. We would also like donations of tins, hollow sticks etc to make bug hotels and are on the look out for wooden pallets if anyone has any to spare or knows of a good source.

All our plans will need a little bit of funding so we planted up some baby spider plants to sell. They will be by Church Cove's decking before and after school and we are asking you make an affordable donation of your choice.

All donations large or small are gratefully received and will towards making our school a greener and more sustainable environment.



## NOTICE TO ALL KS1 PARENTS

We'd like to give all KS1 parents notice of an art exhibition taking place in Rosemullion's green room on:

**Tuesday 26th March from 3.00pm**

The children will be letting you have more details soon! but please mark it as a date for your diaries.



## FOBS NEWS

Hello Boskenwyn Family, FOBS events have mostly been having a break this term but as it's nearly Easter we couldn't resist!

### **Wed 20th March: NON UNIFORM DAY**

We ask that if you can, children please bring some Easter chocolate to class which will be used as prizes for our next event...

### **Tue 26th March: EASTER BONNET PARADE AND EGG DECORATING COMPETITION**

This is completely optional. Children are invited to create an Easter bonnet and /or decorate a hard boiled egg at home to bring to school on this day.

Eggs can be left in reception in the morning. Bonnets can be worn to class! During the day there will be a parade for everyone to see these great creations and the giving of Easter chocolate prizes (vegan options).

Every entry will receive something. We're egg-cited to see our young imaginations get arty!

### **KEEP IN TOUCH**

Find us on Facebook as 'Boskenwyn FOBS', it's a useful information sharing platform for everything school related. If you'd like to be more involved, drop any of us a message or catch us in the playground to find out more.

Till next time, Nicky (07846 910 031), Sophie, Tiffany, and Ben (FOBS leads)



SPORTS AND ACTIVITIES



**Ofsted**

**Registered**

**See website for details**

**THIS EASTER HOLIDAY**



**FREE**

**Free Half Day Places and a**

**Hot Meal for FSM Children**

**ACTIVITIES**

Swimming  
Dodgeball  
Tennis  
Football  
Cricket  
Rugby  
and so much more

**AGES 5-16**

**Hayle Academy**

**St Ives Leisure Centre**

**Helston Community College**

**Goldsmithney – St Piran’s Hall**

**£18 for Non Free School Meal places**



**SCAN TO BOOK**

07939863010



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[info@coastactivityprogramme.com](mailto:info@coastactivityprogramme.com)



Together for Families Parenting

# Parenting Workshops

## April - August 2024



### Solihull – Understanding your Child

- Early Years (ages 1-3)
- Primary Years (ages 4-8)
- Transition Years (ages 9-11)

### Workshop Description

Delivered over 10 weeks, each weekly session is 2-hours.

This is an evidence-based workshop that covers topics such as:

- How your child develops
  - Understanding how your child is feeling
  - Tuning into what your child needs
  - Responding to how your child is feeling
- Different styles of parenting
- Having fun together
- The rhythm of interaction
- Why is sleep important?
- Self-regulation and anger
- Communication and tuning in
  - Looking back and looking forwards

### Workshop Dates

Countywide – VIRTUAL		
Ages 1-3 Mondays	18:00-20:00	22.04.24-24.06.24 Virtual MS Teams
Ages 1-3 Wednesdays	09:30-11:30	05.06.24-07.08.24 Virtual MS Teams
Ages 4-8 Tuesdays	12:30-14:30	23.04.24 – 25.06.24 Virtual MS Teams
Ages 4-8 Mondays	18:00-20:00	03.06.24-05.08.24 Virtual MS Teams
Ages 9-11 Thursdays	12:30-14:30	02.05.24-11.07.24 Virtual MS Teams
Ages 9-11 Wednesdays	18:00-20:00	08.05.24-17.07.24 Virtual MS Teams
East		
Ages 4-8	Mondays 09:30-11:30	13.05.24-22.07.24 Wadebridge Family Hub
Ages 9-11	Tuesdays 12:30-14:30	30.04.24-09.07.24 Launceston Family Hub
Mid		
Ages 1-3	Tuesdays 12:30-14:30	04.06.24-06.08.24 St Austell Family Hub
Ages 4-8	Thursdays 12:30-14:30	02.05.24-11.07.24 Newquay Family Hub
Ages 9-11	Fridays 09:30-11:30	10.05.24-12.07.24 The Park Family Hub
West		
Ages 1-3	Thursdays 09:30-11:30	02.05.24-11.07.24 Gooseberry Bush Nursery
Ages 4-8	Wednesdays 09:30-11:30	08.05.24-17.07.24 Helston Family Hub
Ages 9-11	Mondays 12:30-14:30	13.05.24-22.07.24 Penzance Family Hub







## Parents Plus Adolescent Programme

### Workshop Description

Delivered over 9 weeks, each weekly session is 2-hours.

This is an evidence-based workshop that covers topics such as:

- Understanding teenagers
- Pressing the pause button
  - Getting to know your teenager
    - Establishing rules with teenagers
  - Connecting with your teenager
  - Communicating rules positively
    - The power of encouragement
- Using consequences
- Active listening
- Creating a discipline plan
- Empowering teenagers
- Dealing with conflict and aggression
- Problem solving with teenagers
- Establishing routines
- Family problem solving
- Parent self-care

### Workshop Dates

Countywide - VIRTUAL		
Ages 12-18	Wednesdays	01.05.24-26.06.24 18:00-20:00 Virtual MS Teams
Ages 12-18	Mondays	03.06.24-29.07.24 09:30-11:30 Virtual MS Teams
East		
Ages 12-18	Tuesdays	02.05.24-04.07.24 09:30-11:30 Saltash Family Hub
Ages 12-18	Mondays	13.05.24-15.07.24 12:30-14:30 Wadebridge Family Hub
Mid		
Ages 12-18	Tuesdays	19.04.24-21.06.24 12:30-14:30 The Park Family Hub
Ages 12-18	Mondays	13.05.24-15.07.24 12:30-14:30 Newquay Family Hub
West		
Ages 12-18	Tuesdays	28.05.24-23.07.24 12:30-14:30 Penzance Family Hub
Ages 12-18	Wednesdays	05.06.24-31.07.24 12:30-14:30 Helston Family Hub





## Supporting Healthy Relationships

### Me You and Baby Too (MYBT) Workshop Description

Delivered over 3 weeks, each weekly session is 2-hours.

A course for all new or expectant parents/carers:

- What your baby picks up on
- How to support each other
  - How arguments start, and how to manage them constructively

### Arguing Better (AB) Workshop Description

Delivered over 3 weeks, each weekly session is 2-hours.

A course for all parents/carers with a child of any age:

- How to support each other
  - How arguments start, and how to manage them constructively
- Impact on children

## Getting it Right for Children (GIRFC)

### Workshop Description

Delivered over 3 weeks, each weekly session is 2-hours.

A course for separating or separated parents/carers:

- How to stay calm and listen
- Seeing things differently
  - Finding solutions and making compromises

### MYBT Workshop Dates

Countywide – VIRTUAL		
Ages pre-birth – 12months	Wednesdays 17.04.24-01.05.24 09:30-11:30	Virtual MS Teams
Ages pre-birth – 12months	Thursdays 04.07.24-18.07.24 18:00-20:00	Virtual MS Teams

### AB Workshop Dates

Countywide – VIRTUAL		
Ages 1-19	Thursdays 18:00-20:00	02.05.24-16.05.24 Virtual MS Teams
Ages 1-19	Tuesdays 12:30-14:30	02.07.24-16.07.24 Virtual MS Teams

### GIRFC Workshop Dates

Countywide – VIRTUAL		
Ages 0-19	Fridays 09:30-11:30	19.04.24-03.05.24 Virtual MS Teams
Ages 0-19	Thursdays 18:00-20:00	06.06.24-20.06.24 Virtual MS Teams





## How to access

Parents/carers or professionals can access the parenting offer by visiting [www.cornwall.gov.uk/parenting](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/parenting).

Parents/carers or professionals will be able to self-book onto workshop using the parenting booking portal, which can be found at the above website. If a family requires targeted or specialist support, an Early Help Request for help should be made via the [Early Help Hub](#).

If parents/carers or professionals would like support booking themselves or a parent/carer onto a workshop, they should contact the Early Help Parenting Team using the contact details below. An advice line will be available Monday – Friday, 9am - 5pm to support queries.



### Parenting children aged 0 to 11

**SELECT A SERVICE**

<p>Virtual - Understanding your child (ages 1 to 3)</p> <p>This is a Virtual course delivered on Micros... <a href="#">Read more</a></p> <p>2 hours</p>	<p>Understanding your child (ages 1 - 3) Bodmin Family Hub</p> <p>This is a Face-to-Face course delivered over... <a href="#">Read more</a></p> <p>2 hours</p>
<p>Understanding your child (ages 1 - 3) Troon Family Hub</p> <p>This is a Face to Face course delivered over... <a href="#">Read more</a></p>	<p>Understanding your child (ages 1 to 3) The Park Family Hub</p> <p>This is a Face to Face course delivered over... <a href="#">Read more</a></p>



### Parenting Young People aged 12 - 18

**SELECT A SERVICE**

<p>Take 3 - Virtual</p> <p>This is a 10-week series delivered virtually... <a href="#">Read more</a></p> <p>Free - 2 hours</p>	<p>Take 3 - Bodmin Family Hub</p> <p>This is a Face-to-Face course delivered over... <a href="#">Read more</a></p> <p>Free - 2 hours</p>
<p>Take 3 - Callington Family Hub</p> <p>This is a Face-to-Face course delivered over... <a href="#">Read more</a></p> <p>Free - 2 hours</p>	<p>Take 3 - Hayle Family Hub</p> <p>This is a Face-to-Face course delivered over... <a href="#">Read more</a></p> <p>Free - 2 hours</p>



### Supporting Healthy Relationships Workshops

**SELECT A SERVICE**

<p>Me, You and Baby Too - Virtual - (30 Jan, 6 and 13Feb )</p> <p>This is a virtual series of 3 sessions running... <a href="#">Read more</a></p> <p>2 hours</p>	<p>Me, You and Baby Too - St Austell Family Hub (20, 27 Feb and 5...</p> <p>This is a Face-to-Face series of 3 sessions ru... <a href="#">Read more</a></p> <p>2 hours</p>
<p>Me, You and Baby Too - Penzance Family Hub (12, 19, and 26...</p> <p>This is a Face-to-Face series of 3 sessions ru... <a href="#">Read more</a></p> <p>2 hours</p>	<p>Arguing Better - Virtual - (30 Jan, 6 and 13Feb )</p> <p>This is a virtual series of 3 sessions running... <a href="#">Read more</a></p> <p>2 hours</p>

**ADD YOUR DETAILS**

First and last name \*

First and last name

Email \*

Email

Address \*

Address

Phone number \*

Add your phone number

Notes

Add any special requests

## Contact us

Email: [parenting@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:parenting@cornwall.gov.uk)

Call: 01872 324323

If you would like this information in another format please contact:

**Cornwall Council, County Hall, Treyew Road, Truro TR1 3AY**

Email: [equality@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:equality@cornwall.gov.uk) Telephone: 0300 1234 100



## HEALTH ADVICE MESSAGING SERVICE FOR FAMILIES IN CORNWALL

**ChatHealth  
Parent Line 0-5**

**TEXT 07312 263 423**

**ChatHealth  
Parent Line 5-19**

**TEXT 07312 263 499**

**ChatHealth Young  
People 11-19**

**TEXT 07312 263 096**



**ChatHealth**  
Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly

[www.cornwall.gov.uk/chathealth](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/chathealth)

Get  
confidential  
health and  
wellbeing advice  
and support

Dear colleagues,

From today Monday 22 January 2024 we are launching our enhanced offer for young people and parents / carers to contact Health Visitors and School Nurses in Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly.

There are three advice lines as follows:

- young people aged 11-19: **07312 263 096**
- parents / carers of children aged 0-5: **07312 263 423**
- parents / carers of children and young people aged 5-19: **07312 263 499**

Users can send a message, anonymously if they wish, to Health Visiting and School Nursing to get confidential help and advice about a range of health concerns, including:

- Sleep
- Child development
- Support with behaviour
- Toileting
- Feeding and nutrition
- Keeping safe and healthy
- Childhood illnesses and support with medical conditions at school
- Emotional, mental health and wellbeing
- Relationship
- Smoking and vaping
- Drugs and alcohol

The messaging service is available Monday to Friday (excluding bank holidays) from 9am to 5pm. When a message is sent to the numbers, an automated reply confirms the message has been received. A trained healthcare professional will reply to the message within 48 hours (within office time).

Alternatively users can continue to contact the service via:

- Telephone: 01872 324261
- Email: [hvsnadvice@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:hvsnadvice@cornwall.gov.uk)

## GUIDANCE ON MEASLES OUTBREAKS

There have been recent localised outbreaks of measles centred around the West Midlands. There is a risk of further outbreaks in other areas unless urgent action is taken to increase Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) vaccination take up in areas with low MMR vaccine rates.

Measles spreads very easily among those who are unvaccinated, especially in nurseries and schools. The best protection against measles for children and adults is to get both doses of the MMR vaccine. It is never too late to have these vaccinations.

The following UKHSA guidance is available on GOV.UK:

- [Health protection in children and young people settings, including education - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/health-protection-in-children-and-young-people-settings-including-education)
- [Managing outbreaks and incidents - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/managing-outbreaks-and-incidents).

The NHS also has the following advice for parents on measles:

- [Measles - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/)

DfE has published an [Education Hub blog](#) with guidance on measles and the MMR vaccine for parents, nurseries and schools.

## 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 <a href="mailto:secretary.boskenwyn@fgbschools.co.uk">secretary.boskenwyn@fgbschools.co.uk</a> or email class teacher( name plus @fgbschools.co.uk)
I need to find a list of teachers	School website <a href="http://www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk">www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk</a> Our school – Meet the staff
I need to know term dates	School website <a href="http://www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk">www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk</a> 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 <a href="http://www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk">www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk</a> Calendar
I want to read a school policy	School website <a href="http://www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk">www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk</a> Our school - Policies
I want to see the school development plan	School website <a href="http://www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk">www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk</a> Our school – school development plan
I want to see what is on the lunch menu	School website <a href="http://www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk">www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk</a> Parent info – Menu Summer term (being refreshed at the end of October)
I want to find out about clubs	School website <a href="http://www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk">www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk</a> Parent info - Newsletter
I want to look at a past or present newsletter	School Website <a href="http://www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk">www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk</a> Parent info - Newsletter
I need to report a safeguarding matter to school	Phone or email 01326 572618 Paula Blackburn <a href="mailto:head@fgbschools.co.uk">head@fgbschools.co.uk</a> Angie Larcombe <a href="mailto:alarcombe@fgbschools.co.uk">alarcombe@fgbschools.co.uk</a> Denise Rusga <a href="mailto:drusga@fgbschools.co.uk">drusga@fgbschools.co.uk</a>

## **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](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schoolclosures) and on our social media channels.

### Social Media

- **Facebook**  
[www.facebook.com/TFFCornwall](http://www.facebook.com/TFFCornwall)
- **Instagram**  
[www.instagram.com/TFFCornwall](http://www.instagram.com/TFFCornwall)
- **Twitter**  
[www.twitter.com/TFFCornwall](http://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](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/snow)
- **Met Office**  
[www.metoffice.gov.uk](http://www.metoffice.gov.uk)
- **Environment Agency**  
[www.environment-agency.gov.uk](http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk)
- **Devon and Cornwall Police**  
[www.devon-cornwall.police.uk](http://www.devon-cornwall.police.uk)

### Contact us

Email: [togetherforfamilies@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:togetherforfamilies@cornwall.gov.uk)  
Call: 0300 1234 101

