

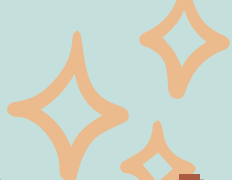
**BOSKENWYN**



**Boskenwyn School**

**Newsletter**

8th March 2024



**MESSAGE FROM MRS NICHOLAS**

Dear parents and carers,

What a busy week it has been!

Tuesday saw our choir performing at the Princess Pavillions in Falmouth as part of Songfest 2023. They took to the stage along with 10 other schools and we couldn't be prouder of them. They sang beautifully and were a joy to take.

A huge thank you to Amy for leading our choir and getting them Songfest ready! A thank you to all the parents who turned up to support (I think we gave the loudest cheer!).

Yesterday was World Book Day. The children looked amazing in their costumes. World Book Day is one of my favourite days of the year; not for the dressing up, but because it gives us chance to talk about and enjoy books. The children spent time in each class talking about their favourite characters and favourite books as well as listening to a range of stories.

We can confidently say that World Book Day strikes a chord with every child in Boskenwyn School, and we love the way our parents embrace the day!



## **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**

### **NO CLUBS DURING WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY 11 MARCH DUE TO PARENTS EVENING**

#### **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.

## **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

### Poldhu Class

Poldhu Class has been a hive of activity since returning after half term.

We kicked off half term with a trip to the Maritime Museum to learn all about pirates. The children were engaged throughout and Seth, who was leading the day, commented on their behaviour and attitude saying how wonderful they all were.

We have started our independent inquiries linked to our topic of oceans and seas. The children have been learning about aspects of our topic that interests them and are busy preparing their projects.

This week the weather was kind to us for our beach clean. We met Emily, a beach guardian, down at Poldhu beach. She told us about why it is important to keep beaches clean and showed us how important it is to pick up and dispose of rubbish correctly as we found a crisp packet that was about 40 years old! Emily also talked to us about 'mermaid's purses' and asked the children to collect these as well so that they can monitor the different species living off our coast.

This was all part of our SOHO Cleaner Oceans project that we have started with Mrs Larcombe. The children have designed their own lights to be made from recycled materials and we have the chance to have some of them made into useable lights.

We can't wait to show off all of our learning to our parents in a couple of weeks!



## ECO CLUB

Good afternoon everyone

This week we looked at our reviews and began to formulate a 'to do' list. We will let you know about our upcoming projects and will want to recruit volunteers!

All these 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.

Enjoy your weekend!



## **PARENTS EVENINGS**

Parent's evenings will take place during week starting 11th March.

**There will be no afterschool clubs that week.**

Afterschool care will be available.

Please call us to book in a space,.



## **YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!**

Poldhu Class are in need of old newspapers, large boxes/pieces of cardboard, clean tin cans and empty 2ltr bottles please!



## **FOBS NEWS**

### **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)



## **WELLBEING LOAN BOXES**

Mrs Lawson has acquired some brand new and fabulous books for our Wellbeing Loans boxes - pop in and have a look - they're kept in the office.

Books for children and adults to support areas of difficulty - sign out copies for a couple of weeks





# FUN FOR ALL TASTER DAY

## WATERSPORTS TASTER DAY

Spend the day trying out all our watersports - under 12s free!

**£10**

## ONE BLUE EYE WORKSHOP



Make recycled plastic keyrings (to gift on Sunday!)

**£5**

**MORE  
INFO:**



[cstexperiences.co.uk](http://cstexperiences.co.uk)

**SATURDAY 9TH MARCH, 11AM TO 3PM**

SPORTS AND ACTIVITIES



THIS EASTER HOLIDAY

Ofsted

Registered

See website for details



FREE

Free Half Day Places and a

Hot Meal for FSM Children

Hayle Academy
St Ives Leisure Centre
Helston Community College
Goldsithney- St Piran's Hall

£18 for Non Free School Meal places

ACTIVITIES

Swimming
Dodgeball
Tennis
Football
Cricket
Rugby
and so much more

AGES 5-16



SCAN TO BOOK

07939863010



www.coastactivityprogramme.com
info@coastactivityprogramme.com







**A WORKSHOP FOR TIRED FAMILIES**  
presented by the Cornwall Mental Health Support Team

Sleep Wise – a short presentation by Hunrosa Sleep Consultants to help parents with sleep strategies for young people and families..



**Tuesday 12th March 2024**  
**10:00 - 11:30 am**  
Book [HERE](#)

OR



**Wednesday 13th March 2024**  
**16:30 - 18:00 pm**  
Book [HERE](#)



Mental Health Support Team (MHST)

## 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

