

BOSKENWYN



Boskenwyn School

Newsletter

4th April 2025

MESSAGE FROM MISS BLACKBURN

Dear parents and carers,

Meet our members of School Parliament (MP's) who have been wonderful so far, discussing ideas and being amazing advocates for the school:

Y6 – Ramona, Iris, Lilly, Woodrow, Amelie

Y5 – Daisy, Effie, Zenna D, Heidi

Y4 – Robin J, Tristan, Marna

Y3 – Matilda

Y2 – Lolly, Aoife

In our first meeting, we were discussing how we could make our school more inclusive and what would help both neurodiverse and neurotypical children to learn.

This week, we discussed the playground and how we can make lunchtimes and breaktimes better for everybody. The children had some great ideas about introducing new clubs which they run such as scrapbook club – this will be run at lunchtimes by Matilda, Daisy, Heidi and Ramona after Easter. They also decided to ask staff for a stay and play club after Easter and a writing club.

continued...

MESSAGE FROM MISS BLACKBURN CONTINUED

The School Parliament decided that after Easter, football can be played at breaktimes only. At lunchtimes we will enhance our outdoor play and learning by introducing soft play and construction; we will also take the KS2 children down to the gig club once a week for an extended lunch break. This will allow early years and key stage one to have the playground to themselves. If you have any donations of cushions, rugs etc then they would love to receive them.

We are also after a greenhouse so children can tend to plants and grow vegetables and fruit. If you can help with the construction of this or have one you could donate or any grow bags they could use, they would be most grateful.

I have included below a communication from Cornwall Council regarding the playground situation. It's not great news but, hopefully, with all the new changes Implemented by the School Parliament, we will be able to get the most out of our play and break times until the works are carried out.

Wishing you a lovely Easter break

Paula Blackburn



COMMUNICATION FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL

Cornwall Council were informed by Boskenwyn School that they were experiencing reoccurring drainage issues in October and following a visit to site by Council officers in November it was requested that the school arrange for a CCTV survey of the drainage to pin-point the issue with a view to resolving this. The results of this survey received in February were reviewed by specialists and unfortunately the results of the survey show that the septic tank has reached the end of its life and needs to be replaced. As this tank is located within the soft play area this area needs to remain out of bounds for safety reasons until a new tank can be installed. The feedback from engineers is that it is unlikely we will be able to install a like for like tank and we are awaiting guidance on design timescales as well as any permissions that may be required. Due to the disruption involved with removal of the old tank and installation of a new tank and the impact that this will also have on the hard play area, the realistic timescales for installation of a new tank will be during the summer holidays. We appreciate the disappointment that this will cause the school community but the safety of children playing in the area has to be the priority.

Kind regards,

Caroline Cragie | Capital Programme Management Specialist
Cornwall Council

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wear something animal themed fundraiser

Friday 25th April

Class Photos

Monday 28th April

Parents coffee and cake meeting

Thursday 8th May 9am

Sports Day

Monday 16th June 2pm

Parents coffee and cake meeting

Wednesday 2nd July 2.30pm

KS2 Summer Production

Tuesday 8th July

Bosky's Got Talent

Tuesday 15th July 2pm
Gweek Village Hall

Leavers' Service

Tuesday 22nd July 2pm

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

MONDAY

Cricket with Mr Watson

TUESDAY

Year 3&4 LEGO with Mr Hemsley
and
Year 5&6 Greenpower with Mrs
Nicholas

THURSDAY

Eco/Nature Club with Miss S

NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS OUR FIRST WEEK BACK AFTER EASTER

SCHOOL CLUBS FINISH AT 4:30PM
PROMPT.

SAFETY REMINDERS

Please close the gates behind you when you enter and leave the school.

Even if the gate is open, please close it!

This is for your children's safety.

Please do not park across the staff car park and obstruct the entrance.

CLASS UPDATE

Rosemullion Class

We have had a great week in Rosemullion class. We have finished off our projects and visited the Maritime Museum. The children really enjoyed the workshops learning about Henry Trengrouse and building their own boats. and were great ambassadors for the school with staff from the museum saying how great they were! The children have worked hard and deserve a holiday!

We hope you all have a lovely break.
From Rosemullion class



ECO CLUB

There was no Eco Club this week. But that has not stopped us thinking about what we are going to do next!

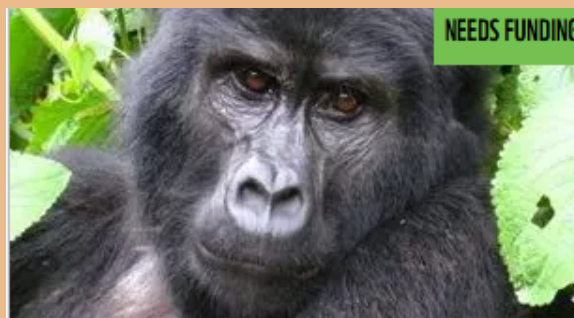
After Easter we are planning on fundraising for 3 endangered species with WWF (World Wildlife Fund).

We have spoken to WWF and the 3 most endangered species are: tiger, rhino and gorilla. We'd like each class to sponsor one of these animals for a year. WWF have told us the minimum amount we can sponsor an animal for is £36 a year. So, we'd like to raise £36 from each classroom by having a **wear something animal themed day** in return for a minimum donation of £1. The class which raises the highest amount will have first pick of their class animal.

We hope you think our idea is fun; we think that following each animal's progress over the year will be informative and an interesting thing for all the children to do.

Have an amazing Easter holiday

From Miss S and the Eco Club Team



ECO CLUB LIST

THINGS TO DO

In order to obtain our Eco Award for this year, we must collect evidence that we are spending our spare time as well as our school time being Eco aware. Below are some tasks which we would be grateful if you could complete and return to us (Miss S or Linda) after your Easter break.

Please write, draw or photograph what you or your family have done or seen either this year so far or over the holidays.

TREES

Details, drawings or photos of trees you or your family have planted recently.

SEEDS

Details or photos of seeds you or your family have planted recently.

BIRDHOUSES

Details, drawings or photos of birdhouses, bird feeders or bug houses you or your family have made recently.

LITTER PICK

Details, drawings or photos of litter picks you or your family have done recently.

FOBS NEWS

A huge thank you to all the parents for supporting the Mother's Day flower workshop. The children seemed to really enjoy the activity and we raised a massive £250 towards the playground fund whilst supporting a local Cornish flower farmer.

We hope you enjoyed the flowers!

Please keep an eye out for upcoming events next term and please do get in touch if you want to help volunteer at any event. Please email boskenwynfobs@gmail.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!



BANDS WANTED!

Basky's Got Talent

TUESDAY 15 JULY 2:00-3:30PM



You have the chance to perform in the village hall with your band. Just fill in the talent show application. We need the name of your band and title of the song you will be performing.

There are only 10 spaces so get your applications in quick!

This is not a competition, it is a chance to appreciate and promote music within our school community.

Closing date for applications is Friday 4 July.

#GBSchoolClean

JOIN THE GREAT BIG SCHOOL CLEAN

Love where you live
21 March - 6 April 2025

Pledge to pick up a bag at
keepbritaintidy.org



Brought to you by



Headline partner



Media partners



Keep Britain Tidy is a registered Charity No. 1071737



MUSIC BY
BEN SUTCLIFFE

THE MERMAID OF ZENNOR

WRITTEN BY
JOHN BROLLY

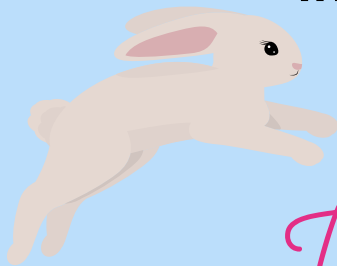


7 - 20 APRIL

01736 810181
minack.com



The Mental Health Support Team warmly
invite you to attend an



EASTER

Wellbeing group



During the Easter holidays MHST, in collaboration with the
National Trust would like you to join us on a **FREE** wellbeing
session at various locations in Cornwall.

This is for parents and their primary aged children (5-11) in Cornwall
to help understand and support emotional and mental wellbeing.

Please book **EACH** child on to a session below:



Morning and afternoon sessions available:

Wednesday 9 April 2025 - Penrose Estate

10.00-12.00 or 2.00-4.00

or

Wednesday 16 April 2025 - Kennack Sands either

10.00-12.00 or 2.00-4.00



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

Come prepared for all weathers and
feel free to bring a picnic (please do
not bring any foods that may
contain nuts)



<https://forms.office.com/e/Epj7iLqgEc>

Follow us on Facebook for updates and upcoming events:
Cornwall Mental Health Support Team (MHST)

Please note: Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first serve
basis. If you are allocated a place and cannot attend, please let us know so we can
allocate your space to someone else



FREE wellbeing support for you and your child

HeadStart Kernow working in partnership with Creative Education are offering parents and carers across Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly FREE access to an online, on demand library of resources to support wellbeing both for you and your child(ren).

The content includes a mix of webinars, short online courses and bite-size information for EY / primary / secondary ages and covering topics such as:

- *Self-care for parents and carers*
- *Supporting your child when they start a new school*
- *What to do when your child is being bullied*
- *Parental awareness of self harm*
- *Worries and anxiety (including simple coping strategies)*
- *Helping children with friendship issues*
- *Laugh your way to stronger connections*
- *Understanding the teenage brain*
- *10 ideas to boost family wellbeing*
- *Top tips to help improve children's sleep*

How to sign up

To get your full and free access (lasting until 31st July 2026)
follow this link:

www.creativeeducation.co.uk/headstart-kernow-parents



Find more about family wellbeing on the
Headstart Website
www.headstartkernow.org.uk/parents--carers/



Youth Cricket

2025!

**THURSDAY EVENINGS
HARDBALL CRICKET
FROM 10 YEARS OLD**

Constantine



Cricket Club



Inspiring Confidence Through Cricket

**FRIDAY EVENINGS
SOFTBALL CRICKET
FROM 6 YEARS OLD**

TO REGISTER HEAD TO

[HTTPS://GROUP.SPOND.COM/GSNQT](https://group.spond.com/GSNQT)

It all starts with...

**ALL STARS
CRICKET**

All Stars Cricket is the best cricket experience for **5-8 year-olds**

All kids are guaranteed to develop **new skills** while **having fun** and **making friends**

Participants receive a **personalised t-shirt**



Sign up today at
allstarscricket.co.uk





This is our game.

Calling all 8-11 year olds!

Whether a graduate from All Stars or new to the sport, Dynamos Cricket is an exciting way for kids to **play, learn** cricket skills and make **new friends**.

Participants receive a personalised New Balance shirt with their name and chosen number.

**Sign up
today**



dynamoscricicket.co.uk

SPORTS AND ACTIVITIES

Coast

ACTIVITY PROGRAMME

**THIS
EASTER HOLIDAY**



**Free Half Day Places
and a
Hot Meal for FSM Children**



**Hayle Academy
St Ives Secondary School
Helston Community College
St Mary's Catholic Penzance**

**£20 for Non Free School
Meal places**



SCAN TO BOOK

07939863010



www.coastactivityprogramme.com
info@coastactivityprogramme.com

Ofsted

Registered

**See website for
details**



ACTIVITIES

Silent Disco
Dodgeball
Tennis
Football
Cricket
Rugby
Bike Riding
Arts and Crafts
and so much more

active
CORNWALL

CORNWALL
COUNCIL

Department
for Education

AGES 5-16





3 DAY SPORTS CAMPS!

BOYS & GIRLS | AGES 5 - 9

9AM - 12PM

1 DAY - £20 | 2 DAYS - £35 | 3 DAYS - £50



1

APRIL 07 | 08 | 09

📍 TRURO RFC

WHAT IS INVOLVED?

- FUN MULTI - SPORT ACTIVITIES
- RUNNING AND EVASION!
- PASSING AND CATCHING!
- TEAM WORK AND COMMUNICATION

2

APRIL 16 | 17 | 18

📍 FALMOUTH RFC

PARENTS WELCOME TO STAY & WATCH!

EMAIL TO SECURE YOUR SPACE!



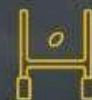
RIGHTONRUGBYCOACHING@GMAIL.COM



3 DAY SPORTS CAMP



RIGHT ON RUGBY COACHING



BOYS & GIRLS



AGES 10 - 16

1 DAY = £30 2 DAY = £55 3 DAYS = £80

What is involved

- Elite skills training
- Game environment challenges
- Multi-sport team games



📍 Truro RFC

📅 April 07 | 08 | 09

🕒 9am - 2pm

📍 Falmouth RFC

📅 April 16 | 17 | 18

🕒 9am - 2pm

EMAIL TO SECURE YOUR SPACE!



RIGHTONRUGBYCOACHING@GMAIL.COM

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



**CORNWALL
COUNCIL**
one and all • onen hag oll

Together 
for Families



www.cornwall.gov.uk/togetherforfamilies