



Boskenwyn School

Newsletter

11th September 2026

MESSAGE FROM MISS BLACKBURN

Dear parents and carers,

Thank you all for bringing your children into school on time so far this term. We have been able to take the registers and start lessons promptly, without interruption, which is hugely appreciated.

The classrooms have had a strong start, with all the children so positive about moving into their new year groups and showing a real willingness to learn fresh things. All the children new to our school have been eager to join in and learn with their peers, it's been a good beginning to our school year.

Below you will find the notes I took of the parents meeting held on Tuesday at Gweek Village Hall.

I'm sure everyone is now ready for a relaxing break before we return on Monday!

Have a lovely weekend



WELCOME MEETING WITH MISS BLACKBURN
8TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Thank you to the parents/carers who attended the meeting. Please find below points which were discussed.

Attendance/punctuality – it is your child's right to a full-time education and your legal duty to ensure they are in school and on time every day.

Attendance and punctuality are monitored half termly with our attendance officer.

Safeguarding/Child protection – please see our website for all policies relating to safeguarding and child protection. The designated safeguarding lead at our school is Paula Blackburn, deputy designated officers are Angie Larcombe and Lewis Hemsley.

Half termly parent meetings – these will take a different form this year. The first half term will be a SEND drop in with Mrs Larcombe. If you have any questions, would like to ask about support and would like advice on how best to support your child then please drop in to this session. The following half term will be a drop in with Miss Blackburn where you can talk about anything from curriculum to school drop offs. It is always lovely to hear your ideas and opinions.

Breakfast club/wraparound – times 0800-0845, and 3.30-4.30. Please be punctual on pick up time.

School start/finish times – due to the increase in school times for KS1 children, all are now finishing at the same time. This was agreed at a full governing body meeting. We understand it is not ideal and we will make a note of any problems being encountered, the only other alternative would be to have the same start time and staggered finish times. We are looking at trying this after October half term to see if it suits better, we will keep you updated.

**CONTINUED... WELCOME MEETING WITH MISS
BLACKBURN – 8TH SEPTEMBER 2026**

Uniform – Please make sure your child does not wear denim/jeans to school. Dark coloured leggings, joggers, trousers, skirts are fine but please no denim. Jewellery can be dangerous, particularly bulky necklaces or drop earrings so please avoid sending your child to school in these. Also, please ensure your child has trainers for PE. We love our children to show their uniqueness, just not when it can put them at risk of accidents harm.

Online safety/AI – we use ICT4 for all our filtering and monitoring. Internal safety is taught in school and staff receive alerts should a child type in something inappropriate and it is dealt with immediately (usually a typo).

ICT4 are presently looking into how to filter the AI overview from all the search engines we use so that children do not have access to it. All other AI is filtered already so it can not be accessed by our children.

Communication – please ensure you have a Seesaw login. Class teachers use Seesaw as a way to communicate a class message, share topic webs etc. School communications will come via email from Linda, the weekly newsletter will continue via email and please use our school website when looking for school info or drop us an email if you need anything specific.

It would be great to see you at our half termly SEND/parent meetings.

WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Individual & Siblings photographs

Tuesday 29th September from 8:30am

Nasal Flu Vaccinations

Friday 18th September
After lunch

KS2 Christmas Performance

Monday 14th December

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Mondays

KS2 Football with Mr Hemsley

Tuesdays

Chess Club Y1-6 with Mr Lawrence

Greenpower Club with Mrs Nicholas

Poldhu Class only

starts 5th November

Thursdays

KS2 Netball with Mr Watson

Eco Club with Miss S

starts 1st October

All clubs finish at 4:30pm

**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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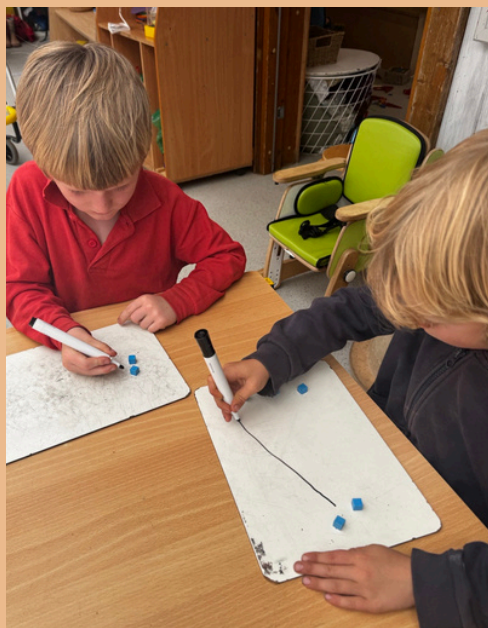
CLASS UPDATE

We have had a wonderful start to the new term in Rosemullion Class! It has been fantastic to see our new Reception children settling in so well, alongside the Year 1 and Year 2 pupils, getting comfortable in their tutor tables.

Our new topic on minibeasts is officially underway, and the children have dived straight into their continuous provision Play Projects with great enthusiasm. We have seen some brilliant creations so far, including bug houses, mouse houses, and various other animal habitats!

In PE, Mr. Watson kicked things off with multi-skills and games, and our Reception children thoroughly enjoyed their very first PE lesson.

Meanwhile, the Year 1's have dived into the magic of Curious Quests for their English lessons, where they've already met Titch, Noodle, and the Greap!



ECO CLUB

Although our Eco Club will not resume until October, we are delighted to announce that, at the end of the Eco Year, we have managed to achieve Eco School's Green Flag distinction status!

How brilliant is that?!

We must thank all the children who take part and their grown ups who support the activities we do!



SCHOOL UNIFORM

A Reminder of our School Uniform:

- *Black or dark grey trousers, leggings, skirt or joggers.

- *Red polo shirt and navy/blue jumper or sweatshirt. We have a sapphire blue school sweatshirt which you can buy for £11 cash in the office or on SchoolMoney.

- *Comfortable shoes or trainers are fine.

- *No big logos or flashing lights please.

- * A rucksack containing a water drinks bottle, raincoat, hat and some suncream.

Asda seem to be able to accommodate our uniform requirements without going somewhere pricey.



FOBS NEWS

FOBS, our very relaxed version of a PTA, will be meeting for coffee at Sula in the boat yard in Gweek next Friday morning (18th September) around 9:15am to make plans for the year and have a general catch up.

Please do feel free to come along if you would like to help at any events this year. No expectations or commitment but we'd love to see some new faces! Babies and toddlers are welcome too!

If you can't make the meeting but would like to still find out more please contact boskenwynfobs@gmail.com to register interest.

You can do as little or as much as you would like - just any help is always appreciated!



USE OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

We are happy for children to use the equipment after school times only if adequately supervised by parents.

The school rules which apply and which parents need to adhere to are as follows:

- No hanging upside down from ropes
- No pushing, shoving or roughhousing
- No climbing on top of monkey bars or guardrails
- Keep within the equipment's frame
- No wearing necklaces or clothes with drawstrings which may restrict movement
- Keep a safe distance from moving swings and ropes
- Wear appropriate footwear with rubber soles and tied laces
- Do not use if wet/slippery
- Keep moving along to allow other people a turn
- Wait and take turns
- Do not jump off equipment into other people's space
- Only use when an adult is nearby

Despite direct contact with parents to discourage misuse, we continue to hear of unsafe use from other parents.

If this continues then **ALL children will be prevented from using the equipment outside of school hours** so we can ensure adequate supervision by staff and any accidents prevented.



PENZANCE PRIDE

**SATURDAY
SEP 12TH**

10:00AM - 18:00PM

PENZANCE PROMENADE

[PARADE FROM MARKET JEW STREET @ 12NOON]

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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