

# Boskenwyn School Newsletter

17th January 2025



Dear parents and carers,

As you can obviously tell, work is underway for our outdoor play area. The ground has been rotivated to allow it to breathe and it will be turfed once phase I of the play equipment has been fitted in a couple of weeks.

The willow fencing has been planted and it's looking wonderful. Thank you so much to those parents who have contributed financially and manually to help with the improvement of the school grounds; we are extremely grateful.

The equipment for phase 1 includes 2 wooden climbing structures with climbing net. We are now looking at ordering in equipment for phase 2 and any school funds raised by FOBS will go towards paying for this phase so please help with the fundraising where possible. Phase 2 consists of a climbing ladder (monkey bars) and a traversing forest.

Thank you, have a lovely weekend.

Paula Blackburn

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

### Parents coffee and cake meeting

Wednesday 22nd January 9am

### Parents coffee and cake meeting

Thursday 27th March 2.30pm

### **Class Photos**

Monday 28th April 2025

### Parents coffee and cake meeting

Thursday 8th May 9am

### Parents coffee and cake meeting

Wednesday 2nd July 2.30pm

### **KS2 Summer Production**

Tuesday 8th July

### **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

#### **MONDAY**

KS2 Tag Rugby with Mr Watson

#### **TUESDAY**

Year 3&4 LEGO with Mr Hemsley

Year 5&6 Greenpower with Mrs
Nicholas

### **THURSDAY**

Eco/Nature Club with Miss
Schellekens

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**

### **Poldhu Class**

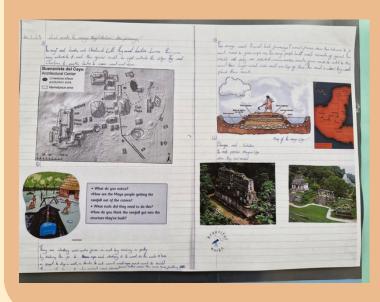
What a great couple of weeks we have had after returning from the Christmas holidays.

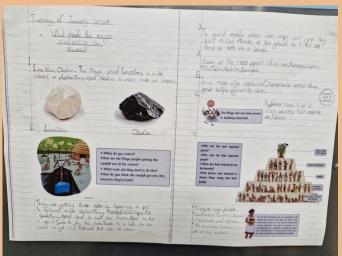
Poldhu have settled back in well and have really engaged with their learning.

In history we have been learning about The Maya. We have been looking at when, where and how they lived. We are really impressed with the pride the children are showing in their learning.

We have started our big DT project in partnership with The Eden Project this week. The children are designing a packed lunch, thinking carefully about nutrition, packaging and sustainability.

In English, we have been blown away by the standard of writing the children have produced during our work based around the planet Pandora.





### **ECO CLUB**

We have held our first meeting of the year and to start it off we made sure to have a good litter pick around the school grounds.

Whilst doing that we spotted that we had some newly grown carrots from last year's planting!

Before home time we discussed activities we could do over the next few months.

Next week we are aiming to use natural resources to make paintings.

Other ideas we have are to upcycle resources if anyone could help us.

Please see if you have:

Any driftwood, bamboo etc for bug hotels.

Crockery or broken crockery and ceramics to make a lovely mosaic.

And lastly teapots or kettles etc or anything else we could use to make birdhouses for our school.

Have a lovely weekend

The Eco Club.





### **PLAYGROUND UPDATE**

Thank you to the parents who have been in and started work on the grounds.

There will be more happening over the next couple of weeks.

The playground equipment will be installed on the 3rd and 4th of March and the turf will be laid just after.

The next piece of equipment we are hoping to purchase will be some monkey bars.

As always, any questions, please email me jnicholas@fbgschools.co.uk

### **SCHOOL MONEY**

Thank you to all those parents who have been paying promptly on receipt of our weekly reminders. I hope this helps and allows you to pay as you go rather than facing a large bill once in a blue moon.

Please can we ask everyone else to take a look at your child's schoolmoney account? There are some larger sums outstanding and we really, as a small school, can't finance those outstanding sums.

If you're struggling to pay please let me know and we can work something out.

Thank you, Linda

### ADVENTURE CHILDCARE FOR FEB HALF TERM

Adventure childcare and family days out at Via Ferrata Cornwall this February Half Term!

Are your children aged 6-13, up for fun outdoor adventures and ready to learn new skills and make friends? Check out our <u>Adventure Holiday</u> Club!

This Holiday we're running climbing, archery, canoeing, adventure quarry games and catapulting! You can simply drop your children off and leave them with us for an epic adventure to remember! We offer flexible options to fit around your working day, so you can treat your child to half a day or a full day with us.

We also offer family days out: there's the chance to take on the <u>Via Ferrata</u>, the ultimate high wire adventure with zip wire, as well as the <u>Zip Wire Safari!</u> There's also a Cafe, free nature trails and a wild play area for under 10's. Check out our <u>website</u> for more.



# MATHS FOUNDATIONS

Wednesday 19 February 2025 10:30-12:30 or 1:30-3:30

Roarsome Play, Redruth

# BOOK NOW



www.mobilemultiply.co.uk



FREE **ENTRY** 

Junch provide

### **Topics:**

- Number recognitionNumber bonds
- Place value
- Time digital and analogue 2D & 3D shapes







### Learn to:

- Make maths fun
- **Reduce / prevent maths** anxiety for you (and your children)
- Talk about maths

Work with us while your children play and gain number confidence to help your children develop a positive relationship with maths.













# Solihull - Understanding your child

A 10-week workshop delivered weekly. Each session is 2-hours in length. This hybrid programme gives you the option to attend in-person or virtually on Microsoft Teams

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

### When?

Tuesdays from 12:30-14:30, Starting 25th February 2025



To book scan the QR code or click: Parenting children aged 0 to 11 and select your preference for in-person or virtual attendance

- The rhythm of interaction
- Why sleep is important
- Self-regulation and anger
- Communication and tuning in
- Looking back and looking forwards

### Where?

Redruth Family Hub, TR15 1NA or on Microsoft Teams

### **Contact us**

Email: parenting@cornwall.gov.uk

Website: www.cornwall.gov.uk/parenting









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** 



