

# Boskenwyn School Newsletter

14th February 2025



Dear parents and carers

I am pleased to tell you that we have 2 new members of staff starting after half term. We have Caden starting in KSI. Caden has been working as learning support in a local primary school with most recent experience in an Area Resource Base for children with special educational needs. Caden enjoys reading and being outdoors and is really looking forward to working with the team. We also have Mrs Bullock who is joining us in Church Cove Class. Mrs Bullock has recent experience in a small Primary School environment along with a world of experience in SEN. Mrs Bullock enjoys being out and about with her dogs and she has a passion for art.

It would be great to see you at the next parent coffee morning on 27th March. The meeting will be held in the Atelier (old Year 2 classroom) and everyone is welcome. The purpose of these meetings (or rather "get togethers") is solely to listen to your viewpoints and suggestions and discuss ideas or upcoming projects and their progress.

The meetings are informal and the agenda is driven by you. You are welcome to take notes at the meeting and I will always mention what we have discussed on the following week's newsletter for those who wanted to attend but couldn't make it.

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### **MESSAGE FROM MISS BLACKBURN CONTINUED**

We intend for those parent coffee mornings to eliminate any gossip and to prevent minor groans from turning into something unnecessarily bigger.

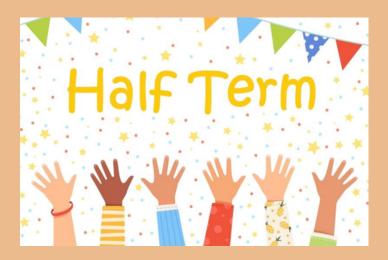
If there is something you would like to discuss outside the meeting, or you can't attend but would like something to be discussed then please email Linda and she will pass it on.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our passionate and dedicated staff for all their hard work over the past half term, it's been a tough one but they always have your child's best interest at heart and will go above and beyond to meet their needs. Please remember this and remember to treat them with kindness.

Have a lovely half term break.

Best wishes,

Paula Blackburn



### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

### **World Book Day**

Thursday 6th March

### 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
NO CLUB UNTIL MONDAY 3 MARCH

### **TUESDAY**

Year 3&4 LEGO with Mr Hemsley and

Year 5&6 Greenpower with Mrs
Nicholas

# NO LEGO OF GREENPOWER CLUBS UNTIL TUESDAY 4 MARCH

### **Wednesdays and Thursdays**

Art Club with Bronwen

**STARTS WED 26 FEB/THUR 27 FEB** 

### **THURSDAY**

Eco/Nature Club with Miss Schellekens

### **NO CLUB UNTIL THURSDAY 6 MAR**

SCHOOL CLUBS 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.

### **WORLD BOOK DAY - THURSDAY 6TH MARCH**

We are very excited to have Rebbeca Cobb coming in to work with the children on World Book Day. We would like to thank FOBs for organising this for the children.

Children are invited to dress up as their favourite book character on the day and bring their favourite book in to share with their peers. We understand that not every child likes to dress up, and so, they are welcome to come dressed in clothes that they find comfortable.

As part of our World Book Day activities, we are hoping to host a bake sale at breaktime. For this we are asking for donations of cakes and bakes. Are you up for a challenge? We would love these to be book themed!

This year we are also inviting children to take part in the Potato Book Character competition. Decorate and dress up a potato as a character or a scene from a book; let your imagination run wild. Drop them into the library on the morning of World Book Day where we can display them, and winners can be chosen.







### **ECO CLUB**

This week there was no Eco Club, but we are back again on Thursday 6th March.

When we return, we want to start making bird boxes.

If anyone has any ideas or donations please do get in touch.

Have a lovely half term.

The Eco Club team











### **PARENTS EVENING**

Please look in your children's bags over the half term for the confirmed date and time of your meeting with your child's teacher.

All parent/teacher meetings have now been confirmed.

As these meetings take place during our first week back to school, our teachers will not be available to run their usual after school clubs.

Therefore, the only clubs running on our first week back will be:

Wednesday: Art Club

Thursday: Art Club



### **FOBS NEWS**

### **World Book Day update!**

### **Thursday 6th March**

Along with hosting Rebecca Cobb for the morning of World Book Day, FoBS are organising a bake sale.

The Great Bookish Bake-off

The Great Bookish Bake-off is a themed baking competition, with a literary twist! Your bakes can be inspired by books, short stories, poems, characters, themes or specific scenes.

There are many ideas online. Here are just a few, or you may be able to come up with your own!

Something fun for the kids to research, plan or even practice over the half term.

The children at Boskwenwyn are wonderfully creative - let's see what you can create (and we can all devour!)







### **GREENPOWER TEAM NEWS**

We are currently in the process of building our green power cars to take to the races this year.

We would like some businesses to sponsor us please!

All sponsorships will go towards race suits, parts for the cars, accommodation and travel.

if you have a small business, or know someone that does, and are interested in helping us please contact Linda in the school office.

### Many thanks Boskenwyn Green Power Team



## **KERNOW YOUNG CARERS SERVICE**

**Kernow Young Carers** Service meets the needs of young carers and young adult carers. We support Carers from 4-25 yrs.

#### We offer:

- and guidance.
- Social interaction, peer support and Training and support for schools.
- caring role.
- Help to access grants to meet a range of needs that help to reduce the impact of your caring role.



**HOW TO CONTACT US** 



01736 756655



hello@carersadviceline.org.uk



www.cornwallcarers.org.uk www.kernowyoungcarers.co.uk



















A Whole Age Service

# Early Help Drop-in Coffee & Chat Morning

### You are invited to our Kerrier Coffee Morning

On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2025 from 9.30am until 11.30am at Redruth Family Hub, Drump Road, Redruth, TR15 1NA Family Workers and Youth Workers available for advice and guidance along with Guest Speakers.

**The Literacy Trust-** for families to be supported with reading locally.

**Cornwall Neighbourhoods for Change**- support and advice on achieving your education, employment or personal development goals.

**SEND Navigators** – for advice on how to find SEN support in Cornwall

Healthy Cornwall -for all your general health advice

Smarter Smiles - advice about your families' dental health

**Community Energy Plus-** helping households to enjoy more energy efficient homes. Come along and see if you are entitled to some support.

Southwest Water -for tips on how to save water.

**SENDIASS** – Support and advice for parents who have a child with an additional need ALL WELCOME

Coffee, Tea and Cake provided.

# For any further information please contact:

Email: Kerrier.FamilyHub@cornwall.gov.uk
or ring Redruth Family Hub on 01209 310000











# Squashbox: The Sea Show

Meet crazy characters like Morwenna the 'beautiful' mermaid, Ruan the reformed seagull and salty seadog Captain Pemburthy, as well as a cast of mischievous sea-squirts, anemones, limpets, crabs and pilchards.

Come and celebrate the sea with tall tales, silly slapstick, fantastic facts, live music and songs – unmissable fun for children and adults of all ages!



23rd February 11am & 2pm

Helston Old Chapel, Meneage Rd, TR13 8BH www.trevowhelston.co.uk 01736 810181



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### **ADVENTURE CHILDCARE FOR FEB HALF TERM**

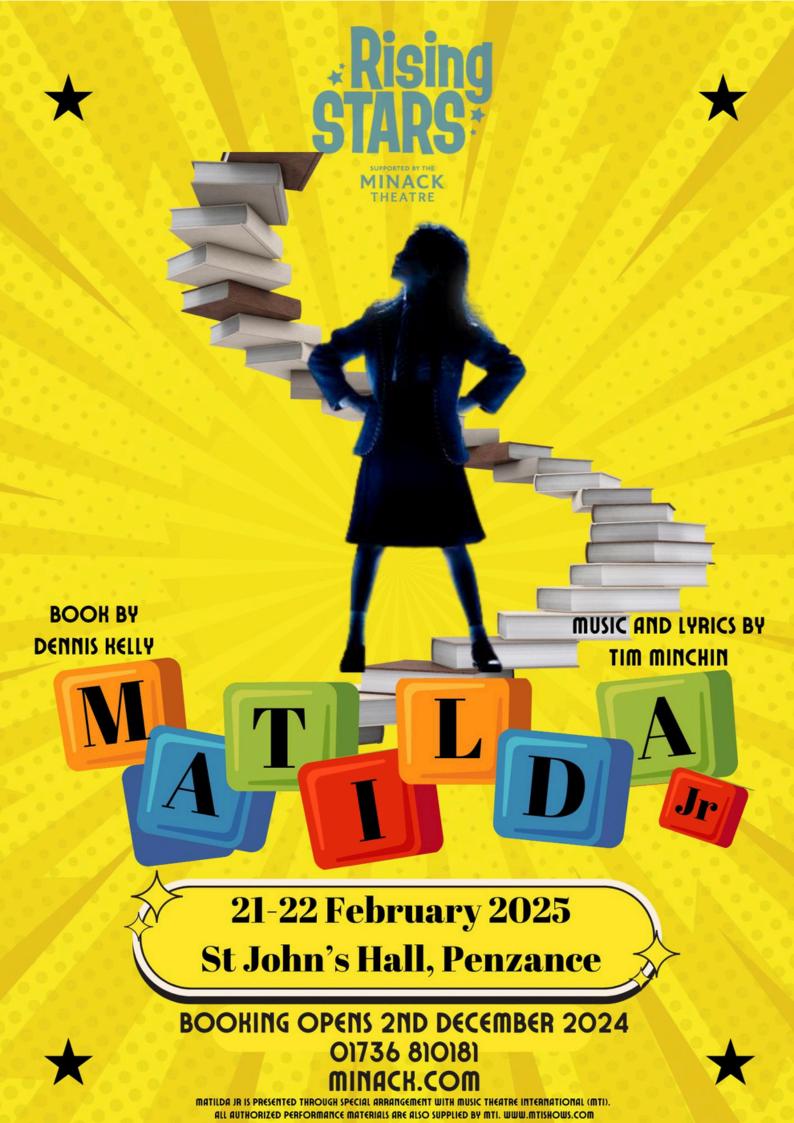
Adventure childcare and family days out at Via Ferrata Cornwall this February Half Term!

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 website 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



### **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.











Junch provide



## 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







### 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** 



