



Boskenwyn School

Newsletter

28th March 2024

MESSAGE FROM MRS NICHOLAS

Today marks the end of another term. It is hard to believe (especially with the weather) that when we return we will be in the Summer Term. The end of a term gives us chance to celebrate the learning that has happened and over the past 2 weeks we have seen Egyptian projects, an art exhibition and ocean and seas projects. We are so proud of how hard the children have worked and the time and effort that they have put in.

This week we said goodbye to our playground equipment. Although it was sad I know exciting times are ahead. Please check out the FOBs news for an update.

On Tuesday we held our annual egg decorating and Easter bonnet competition.

We were blown away by the entries and would like to say a huge well done to everyone for taking part and for supporting this event.

Mrs Reeves and I attended the Unwin Libraries for Primaries programme on Wednesday. We learnt all about reading for pleasure (as if we need persuading!) and making the most of our book spaces. It was good to see that we were already doing good things and it gave us ideas for how to organise our spaces better. We are hoping to start setting up our library space soon.

Miss Blackburn has had an amazing time away and I am sure that she will tell us all about it. I do know that she is looking forward to coming back and hearing what all of the children have been up to.

Have a lovely Easter and we will see you all when we return on Monday 15th April.



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

Tuesdays

Eco Club with Mrs Rusga

Thursdays

Year 5/6 only - Greenpower
with Mr Monhemius.

**CLUBS FINISH AT 4:30PM
INCLUDING AFTER SCHOOL
CARE.**

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

Rosemullion Class

We have had a fantastic week in Rosemullion finishing off our art and hosting our first art exhibition. The children were super excited and proud of the work they produced and have really immersed themselves into their art over the past few weeks, researching and experimenting with different styles and mediums.

We hope everyone has a wonderful Easter break and that we don't get too many April showers!

Rosemullion class



ECO CLUB

We didn't meet this week but just a reminder:

Litter: if you want to clean a beach, park or other public area near you, let us know and we can lend you long handled litter pickers. We just ask for before and after photos or a photo of your litter haul.

Plea: thank you to all who have donated, but we are still looking for pallets, wildlife friendly plants and seeds, vegetable plants or seeds and materials to make bug hotels ie cleaned metal cans, wooden boxes, hollow tubes such as bamboo.

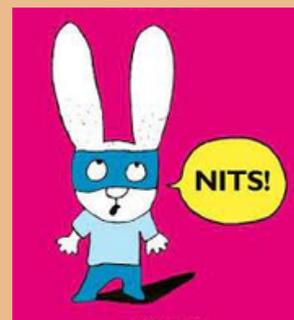
We are also looking for volunteers to help plant and keep on top of plantings.

Have a lovely Easter!

NITS!

Sorry, we've just had a few instances of nits this week - so please take this opportunity to check your children's hair.

Thank you!



PLEA FROM PRAA SANDS CLASS

To keep up with demands for resources in our classroom we are always after the following if you can help:

Buttons
String
Ribbons etc
Fabric offcuts
Pine cones
Shells
Small wood offcuts
Small nails or tacks
Interesting packaging/arrays
Bottle tops
Cardboard tubes

If you can help the please leave any items at reception.
Thank you in anticipation

Mrs Rusga, Mrs Bird and the Year 2 Children

SCHOOL MONEY

Please can we ask everyone to settle up on SchoolMoney? We are nearly at the end of our second term. When we return to school after Easter, it will be the final term of this school year.

For those children in Year 6, this will be your final term at Boskenwyn and we really need any outstanding payments cleared as soon as possible.

Your cooperation is hugely appreciated.

Thank you.



PLAYGROUND UPDATE

I think everyone's felt some sadness this week as the volunteer team from Culdrose kindly came to take down our beloved play equipment after it failed a safety inspection earlier this year.

During a sunny three weeks in the summer holidays of 2018, Jules and Midbar led the way on felling and preparing timber and building a unique playframe that our children have loved. They were joined in the build and ongoing maintenance by many parents whose children have since left the school, but also by current parents, including Sas, Laurie, Jodie, Tom, Hazel, Mick, Hannah, and Chloe. I'm sure there are others I've missed as well.



So, what next? From the conversations we've had, we don't think we could create a replacement ourselves, but please get in touch if you know different! Instead, we've narrowed down some potential playground equipment suppliers and are having visits over the next few weeks to get quotes and ideas. Once we select a supplier, we can start to apply for funding opportunities, though this may not be a quick process. In the meantime, we need to fix up the grass area so it can be used. See the FOBS News section below to get involved! We'll add more updates as things progress.

FOBS NEWS

Thanks for all the Easter chocolate donations on non-uniform day. We had over 50 Easter bonnets and 31 eggs decorated, and the children were pleased with their prizes. There was even plenty to share around. Thank you to Lindsey, Sophie, Hannah, and Tony for being the judges and distributing prizes.

MUDDY WORK PARTY - OUR PLAYGROUND NEEDS YOU!

There is still a lot of work to turn our muddy play area back into playable grass and a lot of work needed to help spruce up our school grounds.

Over Easter, we'll be making a start. On the grass area we need to take up and clean plastic matting and dig out concrete footings, ready to rotavate. We'd love to turf the area so if you have any contacts for turf, even for part of the area, let us know.

In and around the rest of the site we want to cut hedges, clear rubbish, and move mud. If you fancy getting involved or can help in any way, please message Nicky on 07846 910 031. We haven't got a set day due to the weather forecast, but people will be popping in and out giving whatever time they can. Thank you.

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)



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





Free Family Art Sessions Easter Holidays

Healthy Cornwall are working with Toughdough to bring you a fun family day of adventure and creativity in Marazion.

We will be walking to the beach to collect some beach treasures, please make sure you have suitable footwear and clothing

Dates: 3rd, 4th or 5th April 2024 in Marazion 10am - 3pm

Booking is essential



To book your family a place please email:-

Healthy.cornwall@cornwall.gov.uk or call us on 01872 324200

Please note: Lunch will not be provided, therefore please bring a packed lunch for you and your family.



FALMOUTH PRIDE!

**Saturday
27th Apr
11am-7pm**



#LoveWhoYouWantToLove
#BeWhoYouWantToBe
#AH4teFreeCornwall



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Together for Families Parenting

Parenting Workshops

April - August 2024



Solihull – Understanding your Child

- Early Years (ages 1-3)
- Primary Years (ages 4-8)
- Transition Years (ages 9-11)

Workshop Description

Delivered over 10 weeks, each weekly session is 2-hours.

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

Workshop Dates

Countywide – VIRTUAL		
Ages 1-3 Mondays	18:00-20:00	22.04.24-24.06.24 Virtual MS Teams
Ages 1-3 Wednesdays	09:30-11:30	05.06.24-07.08.24 Virtual MS Teams
Ages 4-8 Tuesdays	12:30-14:30	23.04.24 – 25.06.24 Virtual MS Teams
Ages 4-8 Mondays	18:00-20:00	03.06.24-05.08.24 Virtual MS Teams
Ages 9-11 Thursdays	12:30-14:30	02.05.24-11.07.24 Virtual MS Teams
Ages 9-11 Wednesdays	18:00-20:00	08.05.24-17.07.24 Virtual MS Teams
East		
Ages 4-8	Mondays 09:30-11:30	13.05.24-22.07.24 Wadebridge Family Hub
Ages 9-11	Tuesdays 12:30-14:30	30.04.24-09.07.24 Launceston Family Hub
Mid		
Ages 1-3	Tuesdays 12:30-14:30	04.06.24-06.08.24 St Austell Family Hub
Ages 4-8	Thursdays 12:30-14:30	02.05.24-11.07.24 Newquay Family Hub
Ages 9-11	Fridays 09:30-11:30	10.05.24-12.07.24 The Park Family Hub
West		
Ages 1-3	Thursdays 09:30-11:30	02.05.24-11.07.24 Gooseberry Bush Nursery
Ages 4-8	Wednesdays 09:30-11:30	08.05.24-17.07.24 Helston Family Hub
Ages 9-11	Mondays 12:30-14:30	13.05.24-22.07.24 Penzance Family Hub





Parents Plus Adolescent Programme

Workshop Description

Delivered over 9 weeks, each weekly session is 2-hours.

This is an evidence-based workshop that covers topics such as:

- Understanding teenagers
- Pressing the pause button
 - Getting to know your teenager
 - Establishing rules with teenagers
 - Connecting with your teenager
 - Communicating rules positively
 - The power of encouragement
- Using consequences
- Active listening
- Creating a discipline plan
- Empowering teenagers
- Dealing with conflict and aggression
- Problem solving with teenagers
- Establishing routines
- Family problem solving
- Parent self-care

Workshop Dates

Countywide - VIRTUAL		
Ages 12-18	Wednesdays	01.05.24-26.06.24 18:00-20:00 Virtual MS Teams
Ages 12-18	Mondays	03.06.24-29.07.24 09:30-11:30 Virtual MS Teams
East		
Ages 12-18	Tuesdays	02.05.24-04.07.24 09:30-11:30 Saltash Family Hub
Ages 12-18	Mondays	13.05.24-15.07.24 12:30-14:30 Wadebridge Family Hub
Mid		
Ages 12-18	Tuesdays	19.04.24-21.06.24 12:30-14:30 The Park Family Hub
Ages 12-18	Mondays	13.05.24-15.07.24 12:30-14:30 Newquay Family Hub
West		
Ages 12-18	Tuesdays	28.05.24-23.07.24 12:30-14:30 Penzance Family Hub
Ages 12-18	Wednesdays	05.06.24-31.07.24 12:30-14:30 Helston Family Hub





Supporting Healthy Relationships

Me You and Baby Too (MYBT) Workshop Description

Delivered over 3 weeks, each weekly session is 2-hours.

A course for all new or expectant parents/carers:

- What your baby picks up on
- How to support each other
 - How arguments start, and how to manage them constructively

Arguing Better (AB) Workshop Description

Delivered over 3 weeks, each weekly session is 2-hours.

A course for all parents/carers with a child of any age:

- How to support each other
 - How arguments start, and how to manage them constructively
- Impact on children

Getting it Right for Children (GIRFC)

Workshop Description

Delivered over 3 weeks, each weekly session is 2-hours.

A course for separating or separated parents/carers:

- How to stay calm and listen
- Seeing things differently
 - Finding solutions and making compromises

MYBT Workshop Dates

Countywide – VIRTUAL		
Ages pre-birth – 12months	Wednesdays 17.04.24-01.05.24 09:30-11:30	Virtual MS Teams
Ages pre-birth – 12months	Thursdays 04.07.24-18.07.24 18:00-20:00	Virtual MS Teams

AB Workshop Dates

Countywide – VIRTUAL		
Ages 1-19	Thursdays 18:00-20:00	02.05.24-16.05.24 Virtual MS Teams
Ages 1-19	Tuesdays 12:30-14:30	02.07.24-16.07.24 Virtual MS Teams

GIRFC Workshop Dates

Countywide – VIRTUAL		
Ages 0-19	Fridays 09:30-11:30	19.04.24-03.05.24 Virtual MS Teams
Ages 0-19	Thursdays 18:00-20:00	06.06.24-20.06.24 Virtual MS Teams



How to access

Parents/carers or professionals can access the parenting offer by visiting www.cornwall.gov.uk/parenting.

Parents/carers or professionals will be able to self-book onto workshop using the parenting booking portal, which can be found at the above website. If a family requires targeted or specialist support, an Early Help Request for help should be made via the [Early Help Hub](#).

If parents/carers or professionals would like support booking themselves or a parent/carer onto a workshop, they should contact the Early Help Parenting Team using the contact details below. An advice line will be available Monday – Friday, 9am - 5pm to support queries.



Parenting children aged 0 to 11

SELECT A SERVICE

<p>Virtual - Understanding your child (ages 1 to 3)</p> <p>This is a Virtual course delivered on Micro... Read more</p> <p>2 hours</p>	<p>Understanding your child (ages 1 - 3) Bodmin Family Hub</p> <p>This is a Face-to-Face course delivered over... Read more</p> <p>2 hours</p>
<p>Understanding your child (ages 1 - 3) Troon Family Hub</p> <p>This is a Face-to-Face course delivered over... Read more</p>	<p>Understanding your child (ages 1 to 3) The Park Family Hub</p> <p>This is a Face-to-Face course delivered over... Read more</p>



Parenting Young People aged 12 - 18

SELECT A SERVICE

<p>Take 3 - Virtual</p> <p>This is a 10-week series delivered virtually... Read more</p> <p>Free - 2 hours</p>	<p>Take 3 - Bodmin Family Hub</p> <p>This is a Face-to-Face course delivered over... Read more</p> <p>Free - 2 hours</p>
<p>Take 3 - Callington Family Hub</p> <p>This is a Face-to-Face course delivered over... Read more</p> <p>Free - 2 hours</p>	<p>Take 3 - Hayle Family Hub</p> <p>This is a Face-to-Face course delivered over... Read more</p> <p>Free - 2 hours</p>



Supporting Healthy Relationships Workshops

SELECT A SERVICE

<p>Me, You and Baby Too - Virtual - (30 Jan, 6 and 13Feb)</p> <p>This is a virtual series of 3 sessions running... Read more</p> <p>2 hours</p>	<p>Me, You and Baby Too - St Austell Family Hub (20, 27 Feb and 5...</p> <p>This is a Face-to-Face series of 3 sessions ru... Read more</p> <p>2 hours</p>
<p>Me, You and Baby Too - Penzance Family Hub (12, 19, and 26...</p> <p>This is a Face-to-Face series of 3 sessions ru... Read more</p> <p>2 hours</p>	<p>Arguing Better - Virtual - (30 Jan, 6 and 13Feb)</p> <p>This is a virtual series of 3 sessions running... Read more</p> <p>2 hours</p>

ADD YOUR DETAILS

First and last name *

Email *

Address *

Phone number *

Notes

Contact us

Email: parenting@cornwall.gov.uk

Call: 01872 324323

If you would like this information in another format please contact:

Cornwall Council, County Hall, Treyew Road, Truro TR1 3AY

Email: equality@cornwall.gov.uk Telephone: 0300 1234 100



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

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

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 secretary.boskenwyn@fgbschools.co.uk or email class teacher(name plus @fgbschools.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@fgbschools.co.uk Angie Larcombe alarcombe@fgbschools.co.uk Denise Rusga drusga@fgbschools.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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