

## Boskenwyn School Newsletter

1st March 2024



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

Dear parents and carers,

Thank you to those who came to the coffee and cake morning on Thursday. It's always good to catch up and discuss what is working well and what we can do to improve. Some of our parents are working really hard at helping with bids for funding for some exciting projects so a massive thank you to those.

I will be away for the next few weeks on a sabbatical, kindly granted by governors as time in lieu for projects I have completed outside of term time. I will be travelling to New Zealand with my running club then visiting family in Brisbane after climbing the Sydney Harbour Bridge in Sydney.

I will be dealing with any urgent incoming emails and doing a general check 3 times a week so please continue to email me if you feel it necessary.

As always, your first point of call is your child's classteacher then Mrs Nicholas as Deputy Headteacher. Mrs Larcombe, Mrs Rusga and Mrs Knight are all deputy designated safeguarding leads so any concerns regarding safeguarding can be directed to them.

See you on my return

Paula Blackburn



#### **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**

# NO CLUBS DURING WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY 11 MARCH DUE TO PARENTS EVENING

#### **Mondays**

KS2 Football with Mr Hemsley

KS1/Reception Stay & Play with Mr Watson.

#### **Tuesdays**

Eco Club with Mrs Rusga

#### **Thursdays**

Year 5/6 only - Greenpower with Mr Monhemius.

#### **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**

This week in Rosemullion we have been very busy! We have been learning about Art and how it might be affected by place. We asked the children to produce a piece of art and allowed them to create whatever they wanted.

We also started our new sport in PE, netball. The children all really enjoy our sessions and persevere no matter the weather. The Reception have been focusing on number 9 and 10 and have started their Set 2 sounds in Phonics.

We have had a really good week and are looking forward to the rest of this half-term.



#### **ECO CLUB**

This week the Eco School committee reviewed the Marine category. We all agreed that it was very relevant to us as we all live so close to the sea and use the sea and beaches for recreation.

We didn't score very highly so there is a lot we can do to improve. We made posters to raise awareness of the dangers of balloon releases and using glitter that isn't biodegradable.

We decided we would like as many of the school community as possible to sign a pledge to not support balloon releases and to only use biodegradable glitter in the future.



#### **PARENTS EVENINGS**

Parent's evenings will take place during week starting 11th March.

There will be no afterschool clubs that week.

Afterschool care will be available.

Please call us to book in a space,.



#### **YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!**

Poldhu Class are in need of old newspapers, large boxes/pieces of cardboard, clean tin cans and empty 2ltr bottles please!



#### **FOBS NEWS**

#### **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)



#### **WELLBEING LOAN BOXES**

Mrs Lawson has acquired some brand new and fabulous books for our Wellbeing Loans boxes - pop in and have a look - they're kept in the office.

Books for children and adults to support areas of difficulty - sign out copies for a couple of weeks







### A WORKSHOP FOR TIRED FAMILIES presented by the Cornwall Mental Health Support Team

Sleep Wise – a short presentation by Hunrosa Sleep Consultants to help parents with sleep strategies for young people and families..



Tuesday 12th March 2024 10:00 - 11:30 am Book<u>HERE</u>





Wednesday 13th March 2024 16:30 - 18:00 pm Book <u>HERE</u>











EDUCATIONAL TALKS

MEET OUR CUTE SEAL PUPS AND BABY BEAVERS

WOODLAND WALK

FUN KID'S PLAYGROUND

**ENJOY A YUMMY HOT CHOCOLATE IN OUR CAFE** 

Your continued support means so much to us!



Return to the Forbidden Planet is a jukebox musical by Bob Carlton based on the 1956 science fiction film Forbidden Planet, which, in turn, is loosely based on Shakespeare's play The Tempest. The show features a score of 1950s and 1960s rock and roll classics and dialogue largely adapted from well-known passages from Shakespeare. Often billed as "Shakespeare's forgotten rock and roll masterpiece", Return to the Forbidden Planet has been performed all over the world since its premiere in London in the 1980s. It won the Olivier Award for Best New Musical for both 1989 and 1990.

Tickets are on sale via this link: https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/helston-community-college

## 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

**1557** 07312 263 096



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 behaviou
- 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: <u>hvsnadvice@cornwall.gov.uk</u>

#### **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)
- Managing outbreaks and incidents GOV.UK (www.gov.uk).

The NHS also has the following advice for parents on measles:

Measles - NHS (www.nhs.uk)

DfE has published an <u>Education Hub blog</u> 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@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 <u>alarcombe@fbgschools.co.uk</u>
	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** 



