

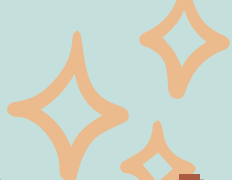
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Boskenwyn School

Newsletter

31st January 2025



MESSAGE FROM MISS BLACKBURN

Dear parents and carers

Last weekend, I attended the Educa Finnish Education Fair in Helsinki. I'm lucky enough to have a good friend living in Helsinki so was able to stay with her while I attended. It was an amazing event. I made lots of contacts for future Turing Scheme projects such as a nature school in Inari, Lapland and some Primary colleagues in Tromso, Norway and Vantaa, Finland. I also listened to some fantastic guest speakers talking about the future of teaching and learning and what we need to be focusing on in the classroom.

The biggest message from the weekend was that although AI and new and emerging technologies are the future, we need to have a set of norms around these that have not been thought about deeply enough. Schools have jumped in feet first and not thought about the skills that are being left behind; the skills our children really need for their future which will enable them to work in jobs which have not yet been created; the skills which machines do not possess and cannot teach... Communication, emotional intelligence, creativity and thinking skills.

We have already discussed this as a team of staff and have decided to implement a song a day (singing to promote emotional intelligence and happiness) and thinking tanks (a daily problem solving activity which involves lots of creative/critical thinking). I can talk more about this at the next parent governor meeting.

Have a lovely weekend.

Paula Blackburn

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

Rosemullion Class

We have had a great week in Rosemullion class publishing our explorers' instructions, celebrating Chinese New Year and learning our new class song.

The children produced some great writing and wonderful masks. The song we are learning is I Just Can't Wait To Be King from The Lion King. The children are really enjoying it so please feel free to practice at home.

Have a lovely weekend from everyone in Rosemullion class.



ECO CLUB

At yesterday's Eco Club we had another go at painting with natural ingredients. Everyone knew what to do and were more confident. This time we added coffee, tea and chalk to the equation and the use of different coloured paper.



Some quotes from the children:

Eden, "It's really awesome! We can smash and mix things up! A really great experience to be able to express yourself with nature in a fun and artistic way!"

Arnie, "It's really fun, I love making the paint, even if it takes a long time to mix."

Next week we are going to start working with mosaics. We are going to make individual mosaics to familiarise ourselves with the technique before embarking on a group mosaic later on. If you have any shallow lipped containers the children can use as a base for their individual mosaics, that would be great: something like large shells, a saucer, jar lids - then please bring them in. If you have more crockery we can smash and use that would be good too! We would also welcome any seaglass, beads or any broken jewellery that could go into the mosaics.

Have a lovely weekend

The Eco Club.

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 [Adventure Holiday 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 [Via Ferrata](#), the ultimate high wire adventure with zip wire, as well as the [Zip Wire Safari](#)! There's also a Cafe, free nature trails and a wild play area for under 10's. Check out our [website](#) for more.



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MATHS FOUNDATIONS

Wednesday 19 February 2025 10:30-12:30 or 1:30-3:30
Roarsome Play, Redruth



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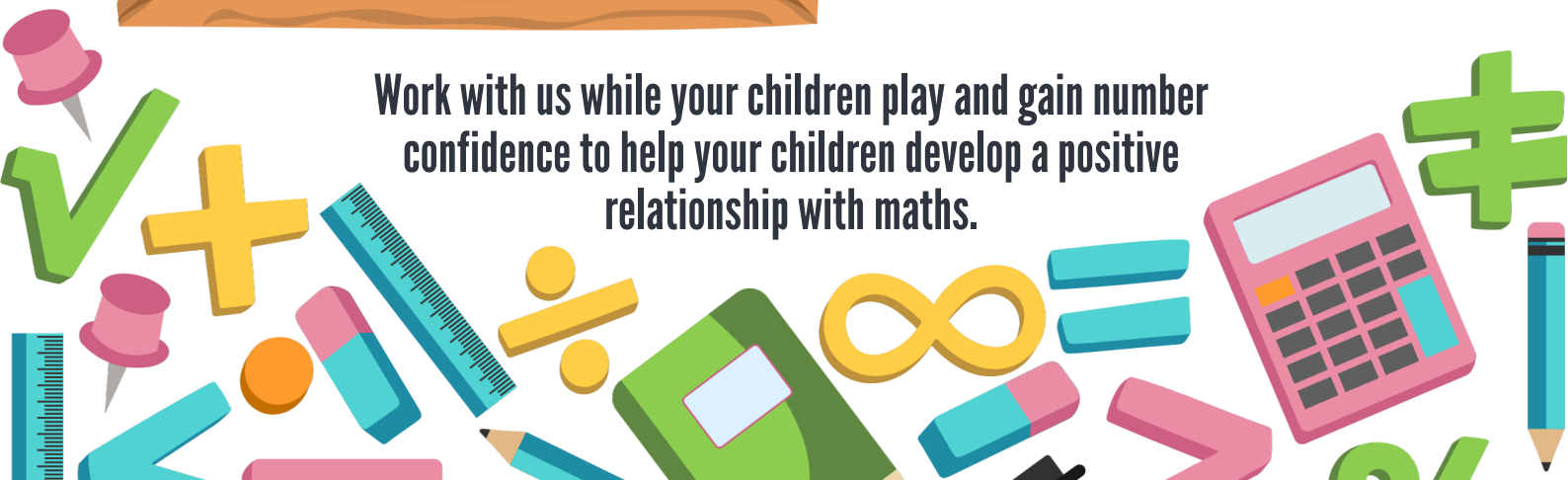
Topics:

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



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Parenting a child aged 4-11



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

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

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@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
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