

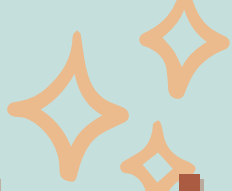
BOSKENWYN



**Boskenwyn School**

**Newsletter**

21st March 2025



**MESSAGE FROM MISS BLACKBURN**

Dear parents and carers,

We have been celebrating neurodiversity week this week in school. We have been collecting pupils views about how we can make our classrooms more inclusive for both neurodiverse and neurotypical brains. They've had some great ideas, the school parliament will be formulating these ideas in the coming weeks.

Activities this week have included:

discussions about celebrating unique strengths and differences;  
talking about our own strengths and weaknesses;  
making positive affirmation stickers for when we need a pick-me-up.

We have also hosted:

Oli Adams, our Pro Surfer who has put the children through their paces  
for sponsorship;

Bikeability for our Year 6's to learn safe cycling skills  
and

the school choir have been practicing almost every day for Songfest!

Wishing you a lovely and restful weekend.

Paula Blackburn

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Non School Uniform Day  
in exchange for Easter chocolate!**

Thursday 27th March

**Parents coffee and cake meeting**

Thursday 27th March 2.30pm

**Posy Making for Mothering Sunday**

Friday 28th March

**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 RUGBY ON 31st MARCH**

### **TUESDAY**

Year 3&4 LEGO with Mr Hemsley  
and

Year 5&6 Greenpower with Mrs  
Nicholas

### **Wednesdays and Thursdays**

Art Club with Bronwen

### **THURSDAY**

Eco/Nature Club with Miss  
Schellekens

**NO ECO CLUB ON 3RD APRIL**

SCHOOL CLUBS FINISH AT 4:30PM  
PROMPT.

## **SAFETY REMINDERS**

Please close the gates behind you when you enter and leave the school.

Even if the gate is open, please close it!

This is for your children's safety.

**Please do not park across the staff car park and obstruct the entrance.**

## CLASS UPDATE

### Church Cove Class

A very exciting week for Church Cove Class!

On Monday, we went on our school trip to CAST in Helston, where we took part in a light and shadow workshop. We learned about how the Sun impacts light and the absence of light on our planet; and how these everchanging periods of day and night help to determine our seasons.

We also had the chance to make shadow puppets based on the story of Ostara, the goddess of Spring.

On Thursay, we had the pleasure of welcoming Oli Adams, a professional surfer, to our school in support of raising money for our school. We got to complete some circuit exercises in the playground to music, as well as having a discussion in an assembly about his life and how his story can help to inspire us to achieve our goals.

Our class thoroughly enjoyed his visit, so thank you Oli!



## ECO CLUB

We discussed that now is the time to pay close attention to the natural world as nature is starting to wake up from its winter snooze.

Yesterday was the Spring equinox. On the first days of spring, day and night are each equal to exactly 12 hours all over the world. What an exciting time of the year we've all been waiting for!

Changes are on their way. Flowers are already showing some colours, trees are showing their blossom and the mating season is starting.

The Eco warriors have been busy working on their birdhouses and bug hotels, hoping to get them ready for next week (our final week in Eco Club this term) and to find suitable places within the school grounds.

If anyone has any donations of materials for building our birdhouses and bug hotels, we would be very grateful.

Enjoy the longer days! Connecting with nature will boost our moods, improve focus, and help us feel less stressed and anxious - so a full package of positives.

Enjoy Springtime!

From The Eco Team



## **FOBS NEWS**

### **Mothering Sunday**

Thank you for the support and uptake we've had with the Mothering Sunday Flowers Workshop.

Please ensure your child either brings the £3 or £5 with them cash next Friday (if you haven't already donated) or if easier you can transfer directly to the Fobs account using these details, sort code 52-41-31 account number 69845352.

### **Easter Events**

Thursday 27th March there will be a non-uniform day in return for a chocolate Easter Egg based donation. The chocolate donations will be used as prizes for the Easter bonnet parade & egg decorating competition being held at the end of term. More details to follow.

### **Just Giving**

Finally a huge thanks for sharing our playground just giving page - we've had some game changing donations this week which are very much appreciated.

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/boskenwynplayequipment>

Thank you!

The FoBS Team



## **GREENPOWER TEAM NEWS**

We are so happy that we were able to sell most of the cakes we made for the GreenPower bake sale. We made £70 profit in total from Wednesday's bake sale and from sales made the following day at the tuck shop.

We would like to thank everyone who bought something at the bake sale, and for all the cake donations which were sent in. We all really appreciated your support.

We are doing some more fundraising after Easter, which will probably take the form of a raffle or similar so people can win prizes.

We also expect to be doing a non school uniform day in exchange for a prize, so keep watching this space!

Thanks again for all the donations made on Wednesday!

Mrs Nicholas and the GreenPower Team



## A WORD FROM OUR CHAIR OF GOVERNORS

### **Become a Governor at Boskenwyn!**

Are you passionate about education and eager to make a difference in our school community? Our governing board (joint with Germoe) is looking for new governors, and in particular for those who can represent the needs of Boskenwyn.

**Influence School Decisions:** Play a key role in shaping the future of our schools.

**Support Our Students:** Help ensure every child receives the best possible education.

**Develop New Skills:** Gain valuable experience in governance and leadership.

This is open to parents or guardians of current or future students, or anyone committed to the school's vision and values. We meet once each half term, with the occasional need for ad hoc extra sessions.

To learn more or to express your interest, please contact Bertie Archer (chair) at [bertie.archer@fbgschools.co.uk](mailto:bertie.archer@fbgschools.co.uk)

Please join us in making Boskenwyn and Germoe even better places for our children to learn and grow!



#GBSchoolClean

# JOIN THE GREAT BIG SCHOOL CLEAN

Love where you live  
21 March - 6 April 2025

Pledge to pick up a bag at  
[keepbritaintidy.org](https://keepbritaintidy.org)



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## FREE wellbeing support for you and your child

HeadStart Kernow working in partnership with Creative Education are offering parents and carers across Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly FREE access to an online, on demand library of resources to support wellbeing both for you and your child(ren).

The content includes a mix of webinars, short online courses and bite-size information for EY / primary / secondary ages and covering topics such as:

- *Self-care for parents and carers*
- *Supporting your child when they start a new school*
- *What to do when your child is being bullied*
- *Parental awareness of self harm*
- *Worries and anxiety (including simple coping strategies)*
- *Helping children with friendship issues*
- *Laugh your way to stronger connections*
- *Understanding the teenage brain*
- *10 ideas to boost family wellbeing*
- *Top tips to help improve children's sleep*

### How to sign up

To get your full and free access (lasting until 31st July 2026) follow this link:

[www.creativeeducation.co.uk/headstart-kernow-parents](http://www.creativeeducation.co.uk/headstart-kernow-parents)



Find more about family wellbeing on the  
Headstart Website  
[www.headstartkernow.org.uk/parents--carers/](http://www.headstartkernow.org.uk/parents--carers/)



SPORTS AND ACTIVITIES

# Coast

ACTIVITY PROGRAMME

THIS  
EASTER HOLIDAY



**Ofsted**

**Registered**  
See website for  
details

**Free Half Day Places**

and a

**Hot Meal for FSM Children**

**Hayle Academy**

**St Ives Secondary School**

**Helston Community College**

**St Mary's Catholic Penzance**

## ACTIVITIES

Silent Disco

Dodgeball

Tennis

Football

Cricket

Rugby

Bike Riding

Arts and Crafts

and so much more

**£20 for Non Free School**

**Meal places**

**AGES 5-16**

**SCAN TO BOOK**

07939863010



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# 3 DAY SPORTS CAMPS!

BOYS & GIRLS | AGES 5 - 9

9AM - 12PM

1 DAY - £20 | 2 DAYS - £35 | 3 DAYS - £50



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APRIL 07 | 08 | 09

📍 TRURO RFC

## WHAT IS INVOLVED?

- FUN MULTI - SPORT ACTIVITIES
- RUNNING AND EVATION!
- PASSING AND CATCHING!
- TEAM WORK AND COMMUNICATION

2 APRIL 16 | 17 | 18

📍 FALMOUTH RFC

PARENTS WELCOME TO STAY & WATCH!

EMAIL TO SECURE YOUR SPACE!



[RIGHTONRUGBYCOACHING@GMAIL.COM](mailto:RIGHTONRUGBYCOACHING@GMAIL.COM)



# 3 DAY SPORTS CAMP



RIGHT ON RUGBY COACHING



BOYS & GIRLS



AGES 10 - 16

1 DAY = £30    2 DAY = £55    3 DAYS = £80

## What is involved

- Elite skills training
- Game environment challenges
- Multi-sport team games



📍 Truro RFC

📅 April 07 | 08 | 09

🕒 9am - 2pm

📍 Falmouth RFC

📅 April 16 | 17 | 18

🕒 9am - 2pm

EMAIL TO SECURE YOUR SPACE!



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## 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 <a href="mailto:secretary.boskenwyn@fgbschools.co.uk">secretary.boskenwyn@fgbschools.co.uk</a> or email class teacher( name plus @fgbschools.co.uk)
I need to find a list of teachers	School website <a href="http://www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk">www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk</a> Our school – Meet the staff
I need to know term dates	School website <a href="http://www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk">www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk</a> 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 <a href="http://www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk">www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk</a> Calendar
I want to read a school policy	School website <a href="http://www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk">www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk</a> Our school - Policies
I want to see the school development plan	School website <a href="http://www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk">www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk</a> Our school – school development plan
I want to see what is on the lunch menu	School website <a href="http://www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk">www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk</a> Parent info – Menu Summer term (being refreshed at the end of October)
I want to find out about clubs	School website <a href="http://www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk">www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk</a> Parent info - Newsletter
I want to look at a past or present newsletter	School Website <a href="http://www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk">www.boskenwyn.cornwall.sch.uk</a> Parent info - Newsletter
I need to report a safeguarding matter to school	Phone or email 01326 572618 Paula Blackburn <a href="mailto:head@fgbschools.co.uk">head@fgbschools.co.uk</a> Angie Larcombe <a href="mailto:alarcombe@fgbschools.co.uk">alarcombe@fgbschools.co.uk</a> Denise Rusga <a href="mailto:drusga@fgbschools.co.uk">drusga@fgbschools.co.uk</a>

## **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](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schoolclosures) and on our social media channels.

### Social Media

- **Facebook**  
[www.facebook.com/TFFCornwall](http://www.facebook.com/TFFCornwall)
- **Instagram**  
[www.instagram.com/TFFCornwall](http://www.instagram.com/TFFCornwall)
- **Twitter**  
[www.twitter.com/TFFCornwall](http://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](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/snow)
- **Met Office**  
[www.metoffice.gov.uk](http://www.metoffice.gov.uk)
- **Environment Agency**  
[www.environment-agency.gov.uk](http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk)
- **Devon and Cornwall Police**  
[www.devon-cornwall.police.uk](http://www.devon-cornwall.police.uk)

### Contact us

Email: [togetherforfamilies@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:togetherforfamilies@cornwall.gov.uk)  
Call: 0300 1234 101



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