



Boskenwyn School Newsletter

8th December 2023

MESSAGE FROM MISS BLACKBURN

Dear parents and carers,

We've just one full week and a couple of days left of this term – time seems to be spinning away with so much happening at this time of year!

On Monday, we saw the most amazing KS2 Christmas Production. I am so proud of all our children who took part. I'm sure we have many proud parents out there too! My thanks go to the children who put on a wonderful, festive and talented performance, the staff who encouraged the children in their performance and to you, the parents, who have supported both your children and also the school by enjoying the FoBS Christmas Fayre and making it yet another success.

Next week we have our school Christmas Dinner on Tuesday; the Rogue Theatre outing for everyone to attend on Thursday, with the coach travel generously paid by FoBS, as well as the KS1 Christmas Production to close the week on Friday. Another busy week!

May I wish you all a happy and restful weekend.

Paula Blackburn



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

School Christmas Lunch!

Tuesday 12th December – see menu below

KS1 Christmas Production

Friday 15th December Poldhu Class 2pm

Last Day of School before Christmas!

Tuesday 19th December. Break up 1:30pm

Coffee and Cake – all parents welcome

Tuesday 23rd January 9am

Coffee and Cake – all parents welcome

Thursday 29th February 3pm

Coffee and Cake – all parents welcome

Tuesday 23rd April 9am

Sports Day

Tuesday 18th June 2pm

Coffee and Cake – all parents welcome

Thursday 20th June 3pm

Leavers' Service

Tuesday 23rd July 2:30pm

Last Day of Term – half day!

Wednesday 24th July 1:30pm

IMMINENT DATES

Tuesday 12th December

School Christmas Lunch!

Friday 15th December

KS1 Christmas Production!

No more clubs this term

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

No more Clubs this term until 2024.

We will let you know when they resume.

CLASS UPDATE

Poldhu Class Update

What a fantastic few weeks Poldhu have had!

2 weeks ago we visited Helston museum before heading to CAST for a Gabbroic Pottery workshop. The children learnt about where the clay comes from and the process that it goes through before making a thumb pot. They then learnt about how neolithic people would work with clay before working as a team to create a vessel.

This week the children have been super busy. Monday saw us perform in the Christmas Show and we are so impressed with how confident they all were.

On Wednesday they competed in a Christmas bake off making Christmas buns. Miss Willoughby and Mrs Winter were very impressed with their efforts and the joint winners were Team Comet and Team Dancer.

Yesterday the children finished off their DT projects and we cannot wait to show them off to you!



LOST BOOKS

Sadly, due to the numbers of books which are currently being lost, we must impose a charge of £5 for each lost book from now on.

Please do check your homes for any school books which might have been misplaced.



REMINDERS

Please remember to close all gates as you enter and leave the school grounds to help keep our children safe.

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.

FOBS NEWS

What an exciting week it's been. We all loved watching the KS2 Christmas show. Thanks to everyone who stayed on in between to run activities, play games, serve refreshments, and eat mince pies – we made £315 profit.

And then there was the online auction...well that had a few hearts racing in the last few minutes as we came down to a bidding war! A huge thanks to everyone who bid and all the wonderful donors, especially Firewood Supplies Ltd just up the road from the school who were incredibly generous. The auction wouldn't have happened without Chloe, Jodie, Lindsey, Linnie, Hannah, and Harriet. All the effort was worth it as we raised an impressive £1,372 for FOBS funds.

SO HOW ARE WE SPENDING FOBS MONEY THIS YEAR?

Recently, we've paid for the coach that's taking the children to Rogue Theatre next week, we're buying a book for each child which they'll receive when Santa comes to visit the school later this month. Before Christmas we'll give a fuller update on what's been spent and what's planned.

OTHER HELP NEEDED

One of the main things the school wants to do this year is move the staff kitchen upstairs, directly above where it is now, so that the downstairs can become a school library. The new kitchen is ready to install, but we need an electrician and a plumber. If you're able to help, please get in touch asap so we know if we need to seek outside help or not.

Thanks to Steve, Üla's dad, for donating leftover sand to put under some new coat sheds around the school. We're still looking for more paving slabs to cover two areas just under 2.5m x 1.5m each.

If you can help with either of the above, please get in touch with Nicky (07846910031). Thanks.

Christmas

MENU

TUESDAY 12 DECEMBER

MAIN

Farm Roast Turkey
or
Vegan Roast
both with gravy

SIDES

Sage & Onion Stuffing
Pigs in Blankets
Roast Potatoes
Honey Roast Parsnips
Fresh Button Sprouts
Carrots & Peas

DESSERT

Festive Shortbread Biscuit or
Christmas Sponge & Custard
Vegan & Gluten Free options available





Christmas Adventure Club

December 20th, 21st & 22nd 2023
Cornish Camels, Rosuik Farm, St Martin,
Helston. TR12 6DZ



10:00 - 14:30

Stream play. Tree climbing. Hammocks.
Festive crafts. Hot lunch.
(Activities subject to weather and group
needs and interest)

**£25. Funded places for
children eligible for
Income Related Free
School Meals**

Email: hello@beyondthewave.org.uk
Facebook: Beyond The Wave CIC



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for Education



SPORTS AND
ACTIVITIES

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ACTIVITY PROGRAMME

**HOLIDAY
PROGRAMME**

Ofsted

Registered

See website for
details



**TIME
MOVE**
Holiday Programme



**This Christmas
Holiday**

**Hayle Academy –
3rd January**

**St Ives Leisure Centre –
20th – 21st December**

Helston Community College –

**20th – 22nd December
£18 for Non Free School**

Meal places

**Free Half Day Places for FSM
Children**

ACTIVITIES

Swimming
Dodgeball
Tennis
Football
Cricket
Rugby
and so much more

AGES 5–16

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SCAN TO BOOK

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AND LOTS OF JOKES

SNOW
WHITE

THE
WITCHES

ROALD DAHL'S

PURE IMAGINATION



THE TWITS

CHARLIE & THE
CHOCOLATE
FACTORY

MATILDA

SATURDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2PM AND 7.30PM

EPWORTH HALL HELSTON

ADULTS £8 AND UNDER 16'S £4

CALL 01726 63513 OR ONLINE CRBO.CO.UK/ACT1





CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CAMPS

Softball £15, 20th Dec, 10am to 3pm for school years 1 to 4.

<https://booking.ecb.co.uk/d/zpqdnw>

Hardball £20, 21st Dec, 10am to 3pm for school years 4 to 8.

<https://booking.ecb.co.uk/d/hpqdnx>



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www.cornwallcricket.co.uk

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FRINGE REVIEW



 **SCAN ME**

2pm, Wednesday 14 February

Tickets: £8. Save £2 per ticket with the code: framed (valid until 31 Dec)
[falmouth.ac.uk /ar ts-centre](http://falmouth.ac.uk/ar-ts-centre)

AMATA Arts Centre, Falmouth University, Penryn Campus TR10 9FE

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to Cove



you're invited to join the

NATURE PLAYGROUP

At Chyan Cultural Centre TR10 9BT
10am – 12pm every Tuesday during school term

sessions can be bought
online or in person at
the playgroup. Prices
vary from £7-£8.50 per
session.
(concessions and pricing
details online)



things to know
suitable for 0-5 year olds
Enjoy a range of fun, seasonal
activities for all
Nurture nature connection
small healthy snack provided
Dress for the outdoors
Some sessions may be cancelled
- see online for updates

Why nature playgroup?

We have been delivering
sessions for parents and
guardians of young children for
8 years. We are all about
being with, learning about and
connecting to nature and each
other



Nature Playgroup

natureconnects.org/nature-playgroup



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 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@fbgschools.co.uk Angie Larcombe alarcombe@fbgschools.co.uk Denise Rusga drusga@fbgschools.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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