

BOSKENWYN



**Boskenwyn School**

**Newsletter**

16th May 2025

**MESSAGE FROM MISS BLACKBURN**

Dear parents and carers

Thank you to those who attended the parents meeting this week. We talked about how it would be great for more of you to attend, if you have any ideas on better times to suit you then please let me know. The meetings are informal and a chance for us to get together and discuss how things could improve, listen to ideas you may have etc.

We talked about some small improvements to sports day, Swiss students, playtime equipment and the Scillies trip. Unfortunately, we have no further updates about the playground equipment apart from works being completed over the Summer holidays. The school parliament have chosen the phase 2 equipment this week.

Children have also had a reminder this week about school uniform. The majority of our children wear uniform but we have noticed that non uniform items have been on the increase. This has made mornings difficult for some parents whose children normally wear uniform but have been refusing because some children don't wear it. Please could you ensure your child wears school uniform so they feel part of team.

We are not as strict as many other schools and do like children to express their uniqueness with socks etc but we expect them to wear the school red t-shirt, dark coloured and plain (pref blue/navy) sweatshirt/cardigan/jumper and dark coloured leggings/trousers/joggers/skirt or a school dress (blue/red). Comfortable shoes can be any colour, as can socks/hats.

Well done to the year 6 children who sat their SATs tests this week. They did an amazing job of showing off their learning.

Thank you, have a lovely weekend! The weather is looking good for the Scillies for our Year 5 + 6 students! Paula Blackburn

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

### **Sports Day**

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2pm

### **Parents coffee and cake meeting**

Wednesday 2nd July 2.30pm

### **KS2 Summer Production**

Tuesday 8th July

### **Bosky's Got Talent**

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2pm  
Gweek Village Hall

### **Transition Morning**

Thursday 17 July

### **Leavers' Service**

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2pm

## **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

### **MONDAY**

KS2 Cricket with Mr Watson

### **TUESDAY**

Year 3&4 LEGO with Mr Hemsley  
and  
Year 5&6 Greenpower with Mrs  
Nicholas

### **THURSDAY**

Eco/Nature Club with Miss S

**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.**

## SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDER

Everyone looked fabulous for our class photos just a short time ago. However, we have been asked by a few parents to confirm exactly what our school uniform entails. So here we are:

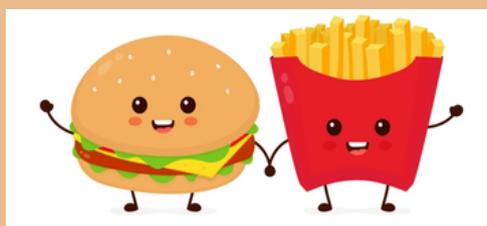
- \*We ask for black or dark grey trousers, skirt or joggers.
- \*We also ask for a red polo shirt and navy/blue jumper or sweatshirt.
- \*We have a sapphire blue school sweatshirt which you can buy on SchoolMoney if you wish.
- \*Comfortable shoes or trainers are fine.
- \*No big logos or flashing lights please.

Asda seem to be able to accommodate our uniform requirements without going somewhere pricey.



## SCHOOL DINNER CHANGE OF MENU ON FRIDAY

Next Friday, we are offering burgers (beef, chicken or veggie) on the menu with chips and beans in place of the usual salad options.



## CLASS UPDATE

### Poldhu Class

What a busy week for us in Poldhu Class.

I have to start by saying how wonderful our Year 6s have been during their SATs week. They have arrived every morning full of smiles and excitement (along with the expected nerves). Breakfast has been a success, even with a couple of burnt waffles!

They have shown great resilience, maturity, understanding and determination this week and we are so very proud of them.

I also have to say how amazing our year 5s have been. They have joined Rosemullion Class every morning whilst the Year 6s completed their tests.

They did some of their work but also helped KS1 with their learning. Mr Watson gave them a glowing report!

The afternoons this week have been filled with more relaxing activities and crafting has been popular. There are many interesting projects happening. Alongside this, we had Mr Studd from Helston School come in to lead some cricket activities and on Thursday afternoon the children finished off their Barbara Hepworth style structures.

Everyone is looking forward to next week, whether it is going off to The Scillies or taking part in different activities here.



## ECO CLUB

The Eco Warriors have been busy germinating salad, spring onions and radish seeds this week. We are hoping to be able to supply our school kitchen with some lovely produce in about 4 to 10 weeks.

We have been around to all the classrooms to tally up the results of our litter pick bags: picked by all the children and their families over the Big School Clean. The amount is... (drumroll)... 59 bags of litter!

Thank you for another great week from the Eco club.  
Have an amazing sunny weekend



## 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!



BANDS WANTED!

# Basky's Got Talent

TUESDAY 15 JULY 2:00-3:30PM



*You have the chance to perform in the village hall with your band. Just fill in the talent show application. We need the name of your band and title of the song you will be performing.*

*There are only 10 spaces so get your applications in quick!*

*This is not a competition, it is a chance to appreciate and promote music within our school community.*

*Closing date for applications is Friday 4 July.*

# PRIDE!

**LAUNCESTON**

SATURDAY APRIL 5TH



**FALMOUTH**

SATURDAY APRIL 26TH



**BODMIN**

SATURDAY MAY 24TH



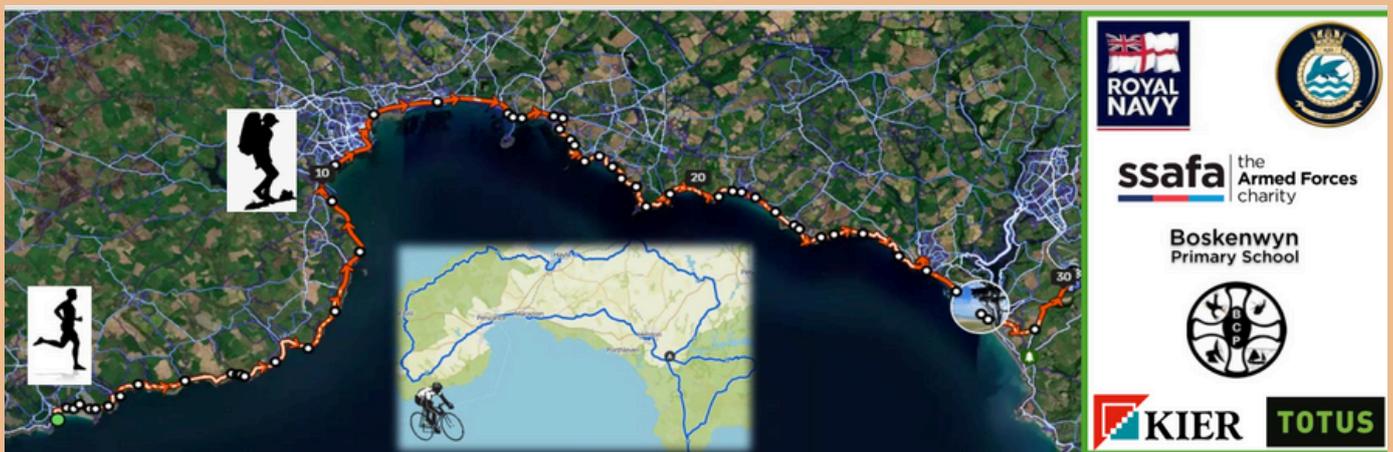
**PENZANCE**

SATURDAY MAY 31ST



## SPONSORSHIP SUPPORT

RNAS Culdrose has kindly nominated us to receive a donation (towards our playground fund) from their wheels and heels event. Please feel free to share amongst family and friends.



20-mile coast walk, 30-mile coast path run, 100-mile cycle, 3 teams, same goal.  
Which team will be the first to cross the line?

**TOTUS 2025 Wheels & Heels Challenge – THE RACE IS ON!**

<https://gvwhl.com/VJFAV>



# Come, Play and Chat Catch an opportunity to explore Helston Family Hub

Helston Family Hub, Bulwark Road, Helston TR13 8J

## Tuesday 20th May from 2pm

### Open Day at Helston Family Hub

Discover the wide range of help and support services available for families! Meet local volunteers and maybe explore opportunities for volunteering yourself. Try your hand in arts and crafts activities, too.

- Play, learn, grow with your child
- Dental Health
- Health and Wellbeing
- Community and Voluntary Services
- Helpful Advice and Trusted Guidance
- Save money on your utility bills
- Learning, Jobs and Training Opportunities



## Helston Family Hub – Open to All! Let's connect, support, and grow together!

### Where to find us:

**Address:** Helston Family Hub, Bulwark Road,  
Helston TR13 8J

**Email:** [Kerrier.FamilyHubs@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:Kerrier.FamilyHubs@cornwall.gov.uk)

**Call:** 01326 560417



# MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST



Parents and Carers  
Please join us for a  
5 session online  
workshop for  
**Behaviour as  
Communication**  
- Parent support

Various morning and afternoon sessions available starting week commencing 9 June 2025, please select when you sign up. Please note you will be signed up to the same day and time for the duration of the workshop.

This workshop provides parents with practical strategies to foster positive behaviour and communication at home.

TO BOOK A PLACE PLEASE COMPLETE THE ONLINE FORM HERE  
[HTTPS://FORMS.OFFICE.COM/E/BVHDPYUCQA](https://forms.office.com/E/BVHDPYUCQA)  
OR SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW



This workshop is open to parents/carers of primary aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 6 in any school in Cornwall



# MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST

Parents and Carers - please join us for a 5 session online workshop where we will teach you **practical strategies to support your child with their anxiety and worries**

Various morning and afternoon sessions available starting week commencing 9 June 2025 , please select when you sign up. Please note you will be signed up to the same day and time for the duration of the workshop.

To book a place please complete the online form **HERE**  
<https://forms.office.com/e/0qRnKmCw1i> or scan the QR code



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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/)



## ADVENTURE CHILDCARE AND FAMILY DAYS OUT AT VIA FERRATA CORNWALL!

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 is available for the next school holiday.

Choose from climbing, archery, watersports, adventure quarry games, giant catapults, raft-building, zip-lining, coasteering in the quarry and more! 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.



## 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@fbgschools.co.uk">secretary.boskenwyn@fbgschools.co.uk</a> or email class teacher( name plus @fbgschools.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@fbgschools.co.uk">head@fbgschools.co.uk</a> Angie Larcombe <a href="mailto:alarcombe@fbgschools.co.uk">alarcombe@fbgschools.co.uk</a> Denise Rusga <a href="mailto:drusga@fbgschools.co.uk">drusga@fbgschools.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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