

Weekly Benson Bulletin

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Message from Mrs Giblett

| Ofsted Attendance Grades | | |
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| 96.5% + High | 96.1% - 96.4% Above national average | 95.5% - 95.9% In line with national average |
| 94.0% or below Low | 90% or below Cause for concern | 85% or below Persistent Absence |

Attendance

Our whole-school attendance rate for this week was 94.47%.

Congratulations this week to **3Wendron** who were top of the attendance table with 99.38%. *Well done!*

Red Nose Day

Over the years we have linked up with Cornish Mutual on regular occasions to help fundraise for worthwhile causes. Cornish Mutual is the only official Red Nose Day call centre for Comic Relief in the whole of the South West and once again they are inviting us to get involved. This year the theme is "Make Your Laugh Matter" and children are invited to enter a joke competition. The finalists will get to read their jokes out live on BBC Radio Cornwall! The competition is open to children aged between 6-8 years and 9-12 years. We have attached some animal faces which can be used for children to write their jokes on – please remember to include name, age and school on the back of your entry. We have also handed out animal faces to the children in Years 1 to 6.

If the children return their jokes to school, then I will try to share as many of them as I can during the next few assemblies to get us in the laughing mood for Red Nose Day. *Please ensure all entries are returned to school by **WEDNESDAY 13th March*** so we can ensure that all entries get submitted on time to Cornish Mutual.

Mrs Giblett

Lost

Boys black school shoes after KS1 Running Club last week. Size 12. They are named. Please check in case your child brought home 2 pairs or the wrong pair. Thank you.

Book Fair

Our annual Book Fair will be held on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday NEXT WEEK in the school hall from 3.15 p.m. to 4.00 pm. (see information regarding clubs on those days below.)

You should have already received a World Book Day £1 voucher, which can be spent at participating bookshops or the book fair, and a leaflet illustrating just a few of the exciting books available for the children this year. The back of the leaflet has further vouchers that can be redeemed against specific titles at the Book Fair too. There will be titles to suit all budgets and all ages so please do come along and have a look.

The support you give us at the Book Fair is always amazing as, for every book you buy, Scholastic donate a very generous amount of money to us to spend on buying new books for our school library. This usually equates to several hundred pounds so if you need to buy any birthday presents soon please remember that every book you buy helps the school too!

We look forward to seeing you there.

CLUBS

The following clubs are cancelled next week:

Due to the hall being unavailable during the Book Fair Week the following clubs will be cancelled:

Gymnastics, Dance

Boys Drumming Club is also cancelled.

KS2 Dance will also be cancelled on 22nd March due to staff training.

(As payments have already been made for dance, Mrs Medcalfe will reduce the payment next term to compensate)

Class Photos

Tempest will be here on Thursday 16th March to take class photos of the children. Your child will be given an order form to bring home for you to make any purchases.

Mother's Day Coffee Morning

FABB's mother's day coffee morning will be held on Friday 24th March in the school hall. This unique event involves mums coming into school to share tea/coffee and a cake with their child/ren (If you are unable to attend we welcome grandparents/dads or other family member to spend this special time with the children.)

This is organised in house groups, this year's rotation is:

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| 9.00-9.35am | Islip |
| 9.35-10.10 | Tennison |
| 10.10-10.45 | Beckett |
| 10.45-11.20 | Grindal |

During the morning you will be able to purchase tea/coffee and cakes to enjoy and your child will be able to buy their mum a bunch of daffodils. There will also be a raffle.

For the morning to be a success we would like to ask for donations of homemade cakes, buns and biscuits to be brought in on the Friday morning. Anyone able to help during the morning please sign up in the school office. Thank you.

Cross Country County Semi Finals

I would like to say a huge well done to the 19 children that travelled to Pool College this Wednesday afternoon to take part in the Peninsula cross country races. The children had qualified for this event after running in the Truro Area races on 7th February. They were now representing the Penair cluster, which included team rankings, as well as individual ones.

Team results were:

Y4 girls 3rd
Y4 boys 4th
Y5 girls 1st
Y5 boys 2nd
Y6 girls 1st
Y6 boys 3rd.

Individuals that will go on to represent the Peninsula area at the **county** finals next week are:

Y4 Maisy P 1st
Y5 Elizabeth G 8th
Y5 Lewis T 7th
Y6 Evie G 12th
Y6 Freddie I 2nd.

Best of luck to these five and well done to all our school runners for your dedication and hard work during this year's cross country season.

Mrs Williams

London trip 2018

Letters have been given out to Year 5 children. Please return slips by Friday 21st April so that we can confirm the accommodation booking. Thank you.

Easter Concert

At 2.15 on Thursday 30th of March a **selection** of instrumentalists will be performing from guitars, brass, woodwind and strings in our Spring Recital. The school choir will also be sharing a sample of the songs they **have** been working on this term. Instrumentalists who are invited to perform will be given a letter to inform parents of their involvement. We look forward to your presence and the support at our second recital this academic year!

For any questions, please contact Ms MacDonald.

Brass Lessons

Unfortunately, Mrs Carter has been poorly for 3 weeks. We are pleased that she is on the road to recovery and she hopes to start lessons again next week. She will make up the lessons so that the children receive the correct number of hours over the next few weeks.

Porthpean Residential Camp, 8th-10th May

The date for the final payment for the Year 4 Porthpean Camp is Friday 28 April. A new payment item has been added to ParentPay which will allow payments in instalments up to the full amount.

Hockey Tournament at Penair



On Friday 3rd March, our A and B hockey teams went to Penair to compete in the Penair primary schools hockey tournament. It was a fantastic afternoon's hockey and both of our teams played really well. Our A team won every single match to win the competition and have now qualified for the Penryn Partnership Finals on Friday 28th April. Our B team also played some fantastic hockey and finished fifth. Well done to all of the players and a huge thank you to Mrs James for her expert coaching and for taking the children and to Mrs Glanville for driving the minibus.

The Great Truro High Bake Off

Children in Years 5 and 6 are invited to take part in a bake off competition organised by Truro High School. Round 1 is to make six shaped and flavoured bread rolls and bring them into school for judging on Tuesday 21st March. The winner will go on to Round 2 at a later date.

Class Assemblies (Fridays 9am, School Hall)

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| 1K | 17 th March |
| RP | 12 th May |
| 1W | 9 th June |
| 2L | 16 th June |
| 5C | 30 th June |
| RR | 7 th July |

All parents/carers of the class are invited to come along and watch in the school hall.

INVITATION TO COOSE TRANNACK – SATURDAY 18th MARCH 2017

Children are invited to race in the 17th annual running of 'Coose Trannack Cross Country Races' on Saturday 18th March 2017.

The event is held on the Coose Trannack Woodland adjacent to Trannack School (near Helston). It is a millennium wood with fantastic views over The Lizard peninsula. The course is sloping and represents a tough challenge for even the most talented runners.

The event is open to all children from Year Reception to Year 12 and will involve separate races for each Primary School age group.

Further details of this event are available on the Trannack School's website:-

http://trannack.eschools.co.uk/website/coose_trannack/29267

For the first time this year there will also be an adult "fun" run for anyone who likes a challenge and a bit of fun!!!

Mrs J Williams (Running teacher)

School Summer Fair 2017 – 24th June

It is with much excitement that planning has begun for this years summer fair. The theme will be "A Cornish Summer", fingers crossed for sunshine! FABB are keen to hear from you if you are able to:

- Donate a raffle prize.
- Know a business that would be interested in donating raffle prizes.
- Help with planning, however big or small.

Please contact Sarah sarahzoehills@gmail.com for more information.

Care driving out of school

We would respectfully request that when driving out of school after dropping your children off in the morning, that you please drive carefully as you leave the school and be mindful of parents and children who are walking up and down the road. Thank you.

Charity Quiz Night

Friday 31st March, 7pm in our school hall in aid of the children's charity CHICKS. £26 per team (max 4 people) to include a pasty. To reserve your team contact David

Rogers davidrogers58@googlemail.com or 01872 260315.

Uniform Shop

The school uniform shop will be held from 3.15pm onwards and can be accessed via the Junior (KS2) playground through the door between 6J and 5C.

These are the dates for our Uniform Shop have changed due to today's being cancelled:

- **Friday 17 March**

Further dates to be advised.

We do hold a reasonable level of uniform stock in school but this can get sold quickly at the Uniform Shops. Ordering online will ensure you get what you want.

Sainsbury's Active Kids

Sainsbury's have started their Active Kids vouchers for 2017. One voucher will be given for every £10 spent. Please ask family, friends and even neighbours to donate theirs to Archbishop Benson School so we can acquire new PE equipment to add to our sporting resources and lunchtime Huff & Puff equipment. We have a collection box in reception. Thank you.

Extra Maths Tuition

Mrs Roskell-Thomas currently has vacancies for anyone who would like their child to have extra maths tuition. Please phone: 01637 499664 or 07804 813026 for further details.

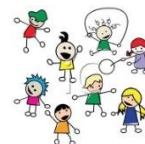
Launchpad – Truro Baptist Church

All welcome to the above on Sunday 12th March at 4pm. Music, games, bible stories, craft and picnic tea. Tel: Truro 241984 or e mail: mail@trurobaptist.co.uk

Stay and Play

Truro Nursery School, in partnership with Archbishop Benson School, offer a Stay and Play session on Thursdays in St Paul's Children's Centre from 9.00am – 10.30am. Play and early learning sessions for families following the early years' foundation stage curriculum for ages 0 – 5 years. Cost is £2.00 per family (up to 2 children). First session is free to new families.

Come and join in the fun!



Retro Charity Evening

The mum and dad of Eva and Louis Reynolds are running the London marathon for VICTA (a charity which supports children with a visual impairment). They are hosting a 'Retro Charity Evening' at St Erme community centre on Saturday 25th March from 7pm until late. There will be retro quiz, a disco (with music from 70s, 80s and 90s) and raffle. Tickets are £15 and include a drink from the bar and a pasty. If anyone would like to come along they can message Mrs Reynolds on Facebook or contact her on her mobile: 07967587374.

Dates for Your Diary 2017

March

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| Mon 13th - 15th | Book Fair – school hall |
| Wed 15th | FABB meeting - 7.00pm in the staff room |
| Thu 16th | Class photos |
| Fri 17th | Class 1K Assembly, 9am (Parents/Carers of children in 1K welcome) |
| Fri 24th | Mother's Day Coffee Morning – FABB |
| Sat 25th | KS2 Cross Country – Polwhele |
| Thu 30th | Easter music concert, 2.15pm |

May

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| Thu 4th | FABB meeting - 7.00pm in the staff room |
| Mon 8th to 10th | Porthpean Camp – Year 4 |
| Fri 12th | Class RP assembly, 9am |
| Fri 19th | Yr4 assembly, 9am |

June

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| Fri 9th | Class 1W assembly, 9am |
| Fri 16th | Class 2L assembly, 9am |
| Sat 24th | Summer Fair |
| Fri 30th | Class 5C assembly, 9am |

Mon 12th to 16th Year 6 trip to London

July

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| Mon 3rd | FABB meeting - 7.00pm in the staff room |
| Fri 7th | Class RR assembly, 9am |
| Tue 25th | Leaver's Reception & Summer Disco |

Term Dates for School Year 2016 /2017

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| Mon 20th Feb | Children return to school after half term |
| Fri 31st Mar | Break up for Easter |
| Tue 18th Apr | Children return to school for Summer Term |
| Mon 1st May | Bank Holiday – school closed |
| Fri 26th May | Break up for half term |
| Mon 5th June | Children return to school |
| Wed 26th July | Break up for Summer Holidays |

Sundays... 12th March, 14th May and 11th June .. at 4.00 pm

Launchpad

ALL WELCOME

Music, Games, Bible Stories, Reflective Activity, Picnic Tea Provided, Craft Activities for all

Count Down 5-4-3-2-1 blast off!

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Feelgood Theatre Company

Stanley Yelnats is under a curse. A curse that started with his no-good dirty-rotten-pig-stealing-great-great grandfather. Join us as we perform my favourite children's story: Louis Sachar's 'Holes'.

Monday 3rd to Wednesday 5th April 2017

Piran Theatre, Truro High 10am* to 3pm

Ages 5-12 years

3 day workshop £89

To apply for a place for your child please call Claire on 07773 337 357

*Early drop off available

HOLES

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