



## Weekly Benson Bulletin 22nd June 2018 No. 33

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

PUPIL WELFARE GROUP	
We pride ourselves on being approachable and are happy to discuss any concern with parents, no matter how big or small.	
Mrs Giblett (Headteacher)	Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mr Galler Assistant Headteacher)	Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mrs J Williams and Mrs B Morris	Special Educational Needs Coordinators
Mrs J Truen	Family Support Coordinator
PHASE GROUP LEADERS	
Mr Crocker	Y1-2 Phase Group leader
Mrs Kyte	Y3-4 Phase Group leader
Mr Kitto	Y5-6 Phase Group leader

Available pupil places at Archbishop Benson School Updated 22.06.2018						
Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
0	3	0	3	0	5	0

### Attendance News:

Our whole-school attendance rate for this week was 96.7%

Congratulations to Class 4T this week who topped the attendance table with 100% attendance. Well done!

### Dates for Your Diary 2018

#### June

**Fri 29<sup>th</sup>** Class 5MS assembly to parents

#### July

**Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> July** FABB meeting

**Fri 6<sup>th</sup>** Class 3W assembly to parents

**Fri 13<sup>th</sup>** Class RP and RR Graduation to parents

**Wed 18<sup>th</sup>** Whole school production, 6.30pm

**Thurs 19<sup>th</sup>** Whole school production, 6.30pm

**Thurs 19<sup>th</sup>** School Eucharist in the Marquee, 9am

**Mon 23<sup>rd</sup>** FABB Disco

### Term Dates for 2018

#### July

**Tue 24<sup>th</sup>** Break up for end of term

### Class Assemblies

Please see below updated changes to some of the Class Assemblies.

Dates for class assemblies	
Time for class assemblies - 2.30pm	
Class RR and RP graduation service	Friday, July 13th
Class 3W	Friday, July 6th
Class 5MS	Friday, June 29th

## **Message from Mrs Giblett**

### **Sports Day**

It was lovely to see so many of you at Sports Day this week. Thank you so much for joining us.

As you will be aware, if you attended the KS1 Sports Day, we tried out a new format this year. I am really grateful to Miss Palmer and the team of KS1 staff for wanting to keep developing and enhancing how we do Sports Day to ensure that all the children are engaged and have a positive sporting experience.

We are delighted with the feedback that we have received. We appreciate the helpful suggestions that we have received on how we could further improve for next year and we would like to also say thank you to those parents who emailed such lovely messages to us like these sample comments below.

*I just wanted to pass on some feedback re sports day. I wasn't able to make it due to work commitments but my son, XXXX, in 2KP, was really excited to tell me what a fantastic event it was and how it was his favourite so far!*

*My husband watched and also said how it was a good mix of competitive and inclusive events and gave all children a chance to shine in something different.*

*Thank you!*

*Please pass on my thanks to all the staff who helped to organise a brilliant sports day.*

*The changes to the KS1 event were, in my opinion, brilliant! How lovely to see all of the children engaged and working hard in their teams. The staff worked so hard to make the morning run smoothly.*

*The Year 5/6 event was also good fun to watch and nice to see so many children cheering on fellow team mates.*

*The resilience shown by children determined to finish their events, however far behind the winning child they were was also wonderful to see.*

### **Planning for staff allocation in 2018 – 2019**

As we near the end of this academic year, the school is busy planning the deployment of teaching and support staff for next year. We will be informing parents of the names of class teachers & TAs in due course.

Whilst I am not in a position to give specific details yet, I did want to use this opportunity to respond to some parental feedback from last year. Some parents were a little concerned about staffing changes and mobility at the end of last year and whether this was a good or a bad thing. I know that parents will understand, out of respect for each member of staff's right to privacy and confidentiality, that I cannot always go into the exact reasons as to why a member of staff is leaving but I can share what typically happens.

As a two-form entry school, Archbishop Benson School is a large learning organisation. As well as 427 pupils and over 300 families, we also have almost 60 members of staff. We are lucky that so many of our staff commit themselves long-term to the school but like any other organisation Archbishop Benson is a dynamic place of work and that inevitably means that while new pupils and staff will join our community every year, others will also leave in the course of the year for reasons that are primarily to do with career progression, a change in career direction or personal circumstances.

What I can confirm at this point is that currently we will have one teacher leaving at the end of this year. Miss Williams has gained a KS2 role at Heamoor School in Penzance, much closer to where she lives. As she moves into this role, she will have greater opportunities to further develop her career as well as save on fuel expenses! Miss Williams started her teaching career with us five years ago and she has been a wonderful asset to the school. We shall miss her greatly but we wish her the very best in this next exciting phase of her life & career.

We do have one teacher currently on maternity leave and we are delighted that we have been able to appoint a talented NQT to cover in the class where this teacher has been allocated. More information on this new teacher will follow shortly.

With our teaching assistants, their mobility may appear a little higher. The reason for this is that, like any business trying to cope in the current financial climate with reduced funding imposed by the government, the school maintains a combination of permanent and temporary TA contracts. Temporary contracts allow the school the flexibility to respond to a specific need within a term or year and to then adjust staffing levels when that need has ended or changed. It gives us the operational flexibility to manage our budget effectively in these challenging times. At the end of the year it may appear like a lot of staff are leaving when it is actually a case of temporary contracts ending.

### **2018 – 2019 Training Days**

With regards to our training days for 2018 - 2019, I can confirm that we will have 3 training days at the beginning of September – Tuesday September 4<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday September 5<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, September 6<sup>th</sup>.

We will be using these days for compulsory safeguarding training for all staff as well as important aspects of school life that need discussing and agreeing at the start of the year e.g. new behaviour management strategies, preparing for RE SIAMS inspection.

We haven't made a decision about the remaining 2 days. They will be based on our school-improvement priorities or a collective training need within the Penair Schools cluster and we will endeavour to give you a much advance notice as we possibly can.



### School Photos

If you would like to order a school photo, the last day for doing this will be Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

Please hand in your order and payment to the school office.

### Archbishop Benson's Sports Day

What a great day was had by all those that were involved in the sports day events on Wednesday this week. The circuit session that took place for the infant children, in the morning, was very busy with all the children being active for much of the time, with huge smiles on their faces. There then followed the sprint races for all the children, which was very exciting. The results for the infants sports day were:

**Islip 1070**  
**Grindal 1060**  
**Tension 1048**  
**Becket 893**

Thank you to Miss Palmer for organising this new style event - it ran very smoothly and the children really loved supporting their team mates and trying their hardest.

The afternoon comprised of the Key stage 2 children competing in the finals (the heats for these races had been run over the course of the previous weeks). The results for the afternoon were:

**Becket & Grindal 158**  
**Tenison 146**  
**Islip 119**

Therefore the total scores for the whole day were:

**1st Grindal 1218**  
**2nd Tenison 1194**  
**3rd Islip 1189**  
**4th Becket 1051**

Well done Grindal.

Thank you to everyone who made the day so successful, especially the year 6 sports leaders and to Mr Sims for stepping in to run a race at the last minute. Thank you also to all those family members who came to support - we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.



### Year 4 Tennis Festival at Penair

On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June, 15 of our Year 4 children went to Penair School for a tennis festival. They all did really well and had a great time. Well done to all of the children and thank you to Mrs Anderson for accompanying them and Mrs Williams for dropping them off and collecting them in the minibus.



### Sports Leaders

On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June, 20 of our Year 5 children went to Penair School for Sports Leader training. They did fantastically well and really enjoyed the day. We look forward to them using their skills next year.



### Medicines in School

Can we remind everyone that we do not usually administer medicines in school. The only time that we will consider this is with medicine that is **prescribed by the doctor**. Obviously, we do have some children who have medication on a daily basis as part of a medical condition and for these children we have a medical plan in place.

For all other children we only administer medicine when it is absolutely necessary. We are not allowed to give off the shelf medicines such as cough syrups, calpol or fish oils. All medication must come in the original packing with the **prescription label attached**, stating the correct dosage to be administered and the child's name.

Where we do administer medicine, you will need to speak to your child's teacher and a permission form will need to be signed, this is available at the front office.

It is the parent/carer's responsibility to ensure that medicine kept in school is 'in date' and fit for use.

### Truro and Roseland Learning Community Awards Evening at the Cathedral

Congratulations to the following pupils for winning an award at this prestigious event:

**Category: Endeavour under difficult circumstances**  
**Winners: Ashleigh Hosking and Devon Hugo**

**Category: Outstanding contribution to others**  
**Winner: Florrie Groves**

**Category: Leadership**  
**Winner: Xanthe King**

**Category: Academic progress**  
**Winner: Fardeen Shyam**

**Category: Sporting achievement**  
**Winners: Ella Olds and Silvenna Massey**

**Category: Creativity**  
**Winner: Isabella Martignetti**



### FABB

We hope you enjoyed the summer fair last Saturday. Thank you to all the staff, parents, governors and friends for their donations and support. Particular thanks to Emma Johnson and the FABB team for coordinating this event. Thank you to everyone who was able to help and join us on the day including Tractor Dave and Lionel the Town Crier. We would also like to thank the following businesses for their generosity:

Zafiros  
Clive Pearce Property  
Sainsbury's  
The Alverton  
Clarks shoes  
Fowey Hall Hotel  
Tesco  
Newquay Zoo  
Feadon Farm wildlife centre  
Truro treasure trails  
Burger King  
Tim Webster  
Theatre Royal Plymouth

### SPLAT Day!

#### At Penair School for Y5 students

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June

Parents please drop pupils to Penair at 8.15am with a snack and a drink. Lunch will be provided.

The Children will need to take their trainers.

Transport back to school will be provided by Penair School at 1pm.

#### Extra-Curricular Clubs

If you have any enquiries with the online booking system please contact Mr. Banks via email at:

[support@archbishop-benson.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:support@archbishop-benson.cornwall.sch.uk)

#### Extra-Curricular Clubs Email Address

We have a new email address for any emergency or urgent queries regarding school clubs. Please feel free to email Mr. Mark Thomas on this email address:

[Clubs@archbishop-benson.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:Clubs@archbishop-benson.cornwall.sch.uk)

We will try and respond to enquiries as soon as we can

#### **Kitchen News**





### Wanted

If anyone has a spare second hand rowing boat that they would like to donate to the Reception classes.

Also, any spare boat sails that could be used for overhead canopies which will provide cover, would be most appreciated.

Please contact Mike Williams, Site Officer through the main office.



Multi Activity Holiday Clubs for 8-10 year olds



### Truro Summer School

A variety of sports, games and training for children of 8-10 years old.

08.30–15.30 every weekday from July 30th to August 10th at Tregolls Academy.

Delivered by experienced, DBS checked, qualified PE teachers and coaches.

A programme designed to help children develop coordination, confidence and cooperative skills in a safe, inclusive environment.

£20 per day or £90 for five consecutive days.



Please Contact:  
Mr J Bridger, M.Ed. via email or telephone  
for bookings and payment

The Venue:  
Tregolls Academy  
Chelwell Road, Truro  
TR1 1LH  
07496 994905

trurosummerschool@gmail.com

### Summer 2018 Holiday Fun at Truro Baptist Church



Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> July to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> August

£1 per session for YR – Y6

At Truro Baptist Church

### Penair Uniform Fitting Appointments At Keywear

Please can we encourage parents of students transitioning to Penair In September to make an appointment for a uniform fitting.

Appointments are 15 minutes in duration and are over a 2 week period.

#### **The dates are as follows:**

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> July  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July  
Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July  
Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July **and the last day** Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> July

Unfortunately outside of these times we cannot offer additional appointments.

Parents are concerned that their child will grow over the summer holidays, as a business we cater for growth spurts and it may mean that we have to put 2 sizes aside to accommodate for when you collect, this we are happy to do.

Please give us a call on 01872 242233 to book your appointment or clarify any queries you may have.

#### **The Keywear Team**

### Truro Wool Appeal for Help

Bridge of Remembrance



To commemorate the Centenary of the end of WW1 Truro Wool are asking for donations of hand knitted, crochet or felt poppies to decorate the bridge between Old Bridge St car park and St. Mary's Mews in Truro. They plan to create a display to remember all those lost to war or conflict over the past 100 years.

They would love for children to knit purple poppies to commemorate the animals lost in War. The poppies should be no larger than 10cm in diameter.

Please deliver any poppies to Truro Wool, St. Mary's Street, Truro.

For further information please call Julie 01872 270661

## Blues Club

We are open every day for Breakfast and After School. We run from the St Paul's Children's Centre which is on the school site. Our team of qualified staff will ensure that your child is cared for in a safe and stimulating environment. Healthy breakfast and snacks are provided every session. If you would like to find out more about what we do please pop in and meet Esther and the team any day.

Our staff are fully qualified and DBS checked. Blues Club is rated Outstanding by Ofsted.

You can also phone us on 01637 877073 to find out more information, or email us at [info@firststepscornwall.co.uk](mailto:info@firststepscornwall.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.



### SUMMER ACTIVITY TIMETABLE

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY	
<b>JULY</b>	
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Multi Sport Activity Camp
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Multi Sport Activity Camp
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Multi Sport Activity Camp
<b>AUGUST</b>	
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Drama workshop
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Drama workshop
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Cornwall Cricket Camp
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bush Craft Adventure Day
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Cornwall Cricket Camp
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Bush Craft Adventure day
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Peninsula Hockey Camp
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Multi Sport Activity Camp
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Multi Sport Activity Camp
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Multi Sport Activity Camp
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Netball Camp
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Netball Camp
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Multi Sport Activity Camp
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Drama workshop
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Drama workshop
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Triathlon Camp
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Triathlon Camp
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Triathlon Camp
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Triathlon Camp
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Multi Sport Activity Camp
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	INTO TRI: Triathlon
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Multi Sport Activity Camp
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Multi Sport Activity Camp
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Girls Hockey Camp
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup>	Peninsula Hockey Camp

**TRURO SCHOOL**

For more info visit our website: [www.sirbenainsliesportscentre.com](http://www.sirbenainsliesportscentre.com)

### Truro Rugby (Truro RFC) - Mini / Junior Section

- **Truro RFC Mini / Junior Section** caters for all ages from 6 to 16 years, running successful annual age group teams from U7 to U16
- Tag rugby at U7/U8<sup>+</sup>; introduction of limited contact rugby<sup>#</sup> from U9
- Boys and girls are encouraged, with mixed teams up to and including U11
- Strong coaching and management teams support all established age groups
- Strong governance and child welfare structure, with extensive first aid provision, to ensure player safety is of paramount importance at all times
- Squads are encouraged to provide all players with equal training, development and playing opportunities – we welcome all players regardless of previous playing experience
- Training and matches run on Sunday mornings\* for all age groups (\*additional training may also apply for some older age groups, requirement varying by age group)
- The season runs from the first week of September to the last week of April
- For ages up to and including U12, September is a registration month with fixtures starting from the first week of October – try before you buy
- Junior membership also allows free match day entry to all senior Truro RFC home games for the junior member and two parents
- Junior membership also allows application for tickets to all England home international games, via Truro RFC's international ticket ballots
- Discounted membership for second and subsequent juniors

**Contact details**  
Truro Rugby Football Club  
St. Clements Hill, Truro, TR1 1NY  
01872 274750  
[www.pitchero.com/clubs/trurorfc/](http://www.pitchero.com/clubs/trurorfc/)  
<http://twitter.com/TruroRF>

**RUGBY SAFE**

# Truro RFC embraces the guidelines as set in the new RFU Age Grade Rugby framework ([englandrugby.com/agegraderugby](http://englandrugby.com/agegraderugby)) #AGEGRADERUGBY

## Helford River Children's Sailing Trust Holiday Courses

Learn to sail single-handed with a Helford River Children's Sailing Trust's summer holiday course.

HRCST's experienced, RYA-qualified Sailing Instructors work with small groups and adapt sessions to cater for all abilities - building beginners' confidence on the water and developing the skills of more experienced young sailors.

With Optimists, Fevas, Picos, Teras and Laser dinghies available, young sailors will find the right boat for them.

Kayaks and Regatta rowing boats are offered as a great alternative for days when the wind drops and weather conditions aren't right for sailing.

8-14 year olds, courses run from 30<sup>th</sup> July – 30<sup>th</sup> August and cost £140 for a morning session and £125 for an afternoon session.

Adult and individual lessons are also available on request.

For further information and course bookings see: [www.hrcst.org.uk](http://www.hrcst.org.uk) or phone 07555 785102.

