



Weekly Benson Bulletin

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Ofsted Attendance Grades		
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

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 & 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

Message from Mrs Giblett

Attendance News:

Our whole-school attendance rate for this week was 98%. Congratulations to Tintagel this week who topped the attendance table with 100 % attendance. Well done!

Healthy Schools

As you are aware we are a "Healthy School" and as such we have a no sweet policy. While we understand entirely that you or your child may wish to share a birthday treat with his/her class mates, please can you provide buns or a cake rather than sweets?

Another reason for this request is that some of our children are not allowed to eat sweets containing gelatin for religious reasons. We thank you for your support with this request.

We would also like to make you aware that we have some pupils with nut allergies in school. We would be grateful if you take this into account when sending in cakes etc.

Head Lice

We shared a lovely story about headlice, called "I've Got Nits!" in assembly this week. Whilst we all know that headlice are attracted to clean hair, we also know that they can be very difficult to get rid of and result in weeks of fine combing at home. We talked about our school value of compassion and that it would be a real act of kindness to everyone in our school, and their families, if everyone with hair long enough to be tied back made sure that they did so every day.

Therefore, staff will be reminding children to do so. It is possible that if your child has their hair down, they could get several reminders during the day. It might be a good idea to pop a couple of spare hair grips in their bag. We thank you for your support with this perennial problem!

Sainsburys School Games Silver Mark

We are sure you will be delighted to learn that we have been awarded this week with the Sainsburys School Games Silver Mark in recognition of our hard work and achievement in P.E. and competitive sport over the last year.

The Sainsbury's School Games Mark is a Government led awards scheme launched in 2012 to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community.

This is a whole-school achievement and we would like to thank staff, pupils, parents and governors for the many ways in which they have contributed to the wealth of sporting opportunities that our children enjoy.

Mrs Giblett

Dropping off children

We would like to remind parents about dropping off their children in the morning. Please do not drop your child off before **8.30am**, as it is only then that there is someone to supervise them. Thank you.

School Office Reception Area

As I am sure you will appreciate, the school office reception area has become increasingly congested over the past few months in the mornings, resulting in delays in queries being answered or parents being able to leave the school promptly.

Commencing next week, we would respectfully ask that **any** correspondence relating to your child, for example, permission slips, club slips, or letters addressed to the class teacher, be taken directly to class **via your child**. In the classroom there will be a correspondence folder to collect all such items which will then be brought up to the school office by the Class Teaching Assistant, along with the dinner registers in the morning.

This will then hopefully help alleviate the congestion in the mornings and allow the office staff to deal with other queries promptly.

We would be very grateful for your cooperation in this matter and hope that after half term this new process will be in place fully.

Many thanks for your help with this.

FABB Christmas colouring competition

Our colouring competition this year is a Father Christmas theme. Each of the children should receive a flyer sometime next week giving details of how to enter. If your child has not brought one home by the end of the week and they would like to take part, there will be spare copies that can be picked up from the school office. All of the entries will be displayed at the Christmas Fayre and there are some prizes to be won!"

Many thanks

Emma

Tremorvan Charity Bonfire

The Annual Tremorvan Charity Bonfire will be held on Friday 3rd November at 5 – 7pm, adults £3.00, children £1.00 and under 5's free. The guy competition will be judged at 5.30pm and all entrants get in for free. There will be delicious refreshments available! We look forward to seeing you there!

4T class assembly

A couple of weeks ago, I explained to you how we had re-arranged the timing of the class assemblies to the afternoon this year to allow teachers & TAs to be able to make the maximum use of precious teaching & learning time in the mornings. We will have to make one exception this term. 4T's class assembly is scheduled for Friday, December 1st which is also the same day as our Christmas Fayre. If we were to hold the class assembly at 2.30pm, then FABB would not be able to begin setting up until 3.30pm which would make it quite tight for time, so on this occasion 4T's class assembly will take place at 9.00am. Many thanks for your understanding.



School Meals

A particular reminder to new parents of our Reception children to book your child's lunches on Parentpay. Where a booking hasn't been made your child will be served the meat option unless they are vegetarian.

Purchasing of items at school office

Thank you to everyone for using Parentpay to purchase items such as school uniform, lunches, etc. We do still sell a few items via the school office, but keep very little change. We would request that if you wish to make a purchase at the school office you have the correct change. Thank you.

School Photos - REMINDER

The children's photos have been taken.. Orders should be returned to the school office no later than **Tuesday 17th October.**



Year 5 and 6 Boys' football matches against Mount Hawke

On Monday 9th October 2017, we played our first boy's football matches of the season. Our A team lost but our B team won. Well done to all of the boys.



Year 3/4 Badminton Festival

On Friday 6th October 2017, 12 of our Year 4s went to Richard Lander School to take part in a badminton festival and qualifier for the Cornwall School Games. We had two teams of 6, Team Archbishop and Team Benson. Both teams took part in a range of games, activities and challenges involving skills linked to badminton. Both teams did really well! Team Archbishop came 5th out of 11 schools and managed to qualify for the Peninsula finals as the second placed Penair feeder school. Team Benson also did well to finish 7th. A huge thank you to Mrs Glanville and Mrs Nolan for taking the children to Richard Lander.



Blues Club Before/After School & October Half Term



We are open every day for Breakfast and After School. Our team of qualified staff will ensure that your child is cared for in a safe and stimulating environment. Healthy breakfasts and snacks are provided every session.

We are now taking bookings and guarantee to be open for half term holiday. We are offering a special discount rate of £20 for a full day. A full programme of activities will be sent out in September but we welcome you to make bookings now if you will need childcare.

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

For more information or to book please call us on 01637 877073 or email us at info@firststepscornwall.co.uk

Bosvigo Wraparound

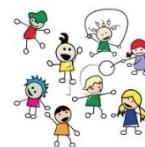
Bookings are now being taken for October Holiday Club; we are open daily from 7.45am and 6pm between 23rd October and 27th October.

The Wraparound team are busy planning for an exciting range of activities including; cooking, arts and crafts, park trips, workshops, beach trips, bowling, gardening, BBQs and much more. Friday 27th October will be our Halloween Party

The daily rate has been held at £23.50 with half days at just £15. You can catch a glimpse of some of the things we get up to on the Bosvigo School website, the Bosvigo Wraparound Facebook page or better still, pop in to see us in action after school one day.

For more information or to schedule a visit please contact Mrs Austin on 07591 945 238 or email on wraparound@bosvigo.cornwall.sch.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.

Dates for Your Diary 2017:

Sat 14th Truro High School Open Morning

Mon 30th School nursing team vaccination Programme for R,1,2,3 & 4

November

Mon 13th – Wed 15th Parents evenings YR – Y5

Tue 14th -Thu 16th Parents evenings Year 6

Fri 17th 6FT Class Assembly, 2.30pm
Wed 22nd City of Lights parade

December

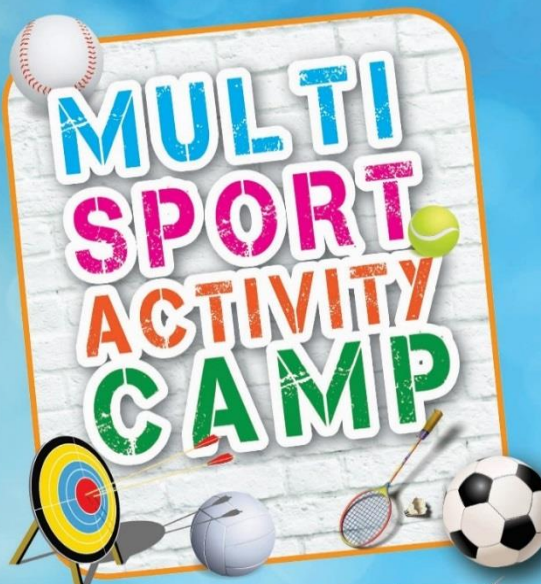
Fri 1st 4T Class Assembly, 9.00am
Fri 1st Christmas Fayre

Thu 7th Music recital, 2pm school hall
Mon 4th KS2 cross country finals and Santa Hat Charity Fun Run.

Wed 6th Reserve day for the above
Thu 7th Music recital, 2pm school hall
Mon 11th KS1 Christingle Service, 6pm school hall

Tue 12th Reception classes nativity 2pm and 6pm

Wed 13th Whole School Christmas Lunch
Thu 14th KS2 Christmas Performance, 6pm
Truro Methodist Church





MULTI SPORT ACTIVITY CAMP

**OCTOBER HALF TERM
FUN FOR CHILDREN
AGED 6 - 14 YEARS**
Monday to Friday 0830 - 1730
HOT LUNCH INCLUDED

£25 per day

*Contact 01872 246050 or e-mail: sport@truroschool.com for bookings/enquiries
*Download an application form from www.sirbenainsliesportscentre.com
* Also available from the Sports Centre Reception. Truro School, Trennick Lane, Truro, TR1 1TH

Tel: 01872 246050 www.sirbenainsliesportscentre.com

Truro School Swim Camp

**SIR BEN AINSLIE
SPORTS
CENTRE**

Monday 23rd - Thursday 26th October

This 4 day swim camp run by ASA coach Lee Stanbury from the Cornish Swim academy provides an exciting opportunity for 7-14 year olds of all club swimming levels to improve the fine points of swimming.

Camp Timetable:

Monday: Front Crawl improvement + turns & starts.
Tuesday: Backstroke improvement + turns & starts.
Wednesday: Breast stroke Improvement + turns & starts.
Thursday: Butterfly stroke improvement + turns & starts.

0830-1230
£25 per day (£80 all 4 days)

Multi Activity Sport Camp available from 1230-1730 for an additional £12.50 (includes lunch)

For more information see our website or
 e-mail: sport@truroschool.com
 or call 01872 246050.





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