



Germoe School Newsletter

4th July 2025



Message from Miss Blackburn

Dear parents and carers

Thank you to those who came to the parent meetings this week. Over both schools, we had very few attending. These meetings are held half termly and they are very informal. They are intended to be a vehicle of communication, somewhere you can have a moan if you want to, can praise us if you want to, make suggestions etc. We like to hear your voices and opinions and this is a great way to be heard and to meet other parents/carers. There's the added bonus of coffee and cake too. It would be wonderful to see more of you attend next time.

Staffing structure for September 2025

Kindergarten (including reception) – Teachers: Mrs Knight/ Mrs Sukstiene. TA's: Mrs Bird, Mrs Jago

Years 1 and 2 Teachers: Miss Burns/Mrs Sukstiene. TA's: Mrs Fish, Mrs Bird, Miss Fromow

Years 3 and 4 Teacher: Mr Conway TA: Miss Fromow

Years 5 and 6 Teacher: Miss Symons TA: Mrs Segal

There will be a welcome meeting for new and returning parents on Thursday 4th September at 9am in the school hall, we will discuss any changes and dates for the upcoming school year.

Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS) project questionnaire reminder – Please could I remind you to complete the questionnaire which is for all parents. It would really help us if you could spend a few minutes of your time doing this. Here is the link

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Summer25PINSsurvey>

School meals – Cornwall Council have planned works to completely renovate our kitchen. We were informed this would take the whole of the Summer holidays to complete. They have recently informed us that the works will take 8 weeks. We thought it would be least disruptive if the works were completed by 3rd September for the new term so this will mean an overlap in this term. They will be setting up a temporary kitchen for us to operate from Monday 14th July which will have limited cooking facilities. So, from this date, it will mainly be cold meals available for school lunch such as sandwiches/wraps/baguettes with a variety of fillings, salad bar, snacks and fruit. There will be limited hot food such as sausage rolls/pasties. This temporary kitchen will be in place until the end of term. We apologise for any inconvenience.

Have a lovely weekend

Paula Blackburn

CHANGE OF MENU

We will be having Pasties next Friday 11th July but you will need to pre-order. It will be either meat or veg and we will need to be in no later than Wednesday

UNIFORM AND SCHOOL TIMES

Before we break up for the holidays, please just read this through to ensure you are prepared for our start back in September.

School Times:

Reception and Key Stage 1 (KS1) children:

Start time: 09:00

Finish time: 15:15

All Key Stage 2 (KS2) children

Start time: 08:45

Finish time: 15:30

We stagger the times to allow for parking. Please don't wait around to chat to friends if you only have one early pick up/drop off as this creates parking issues for other parents who are on the later time schedule.

School Uniform:

*Black or navy trousers, skirt or joggers.

***White/pale blue** polo shirt and sapphire jumper or sweatshirt. We have sapphire blue school sweatshirts in stock which you can buy for £11 through SchoolMoney. If you are new to the school, SchoolMoney will be activated after your child's first day.

*Comfortable shoes or trainers are fine.

*No big logos or flashing lights please.

* A rucksack containing a water drinks bottle, raincoat, hat and some suncream.

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

PE Kit:

Black shorts and sapphire t-shirt, we have school PE t-shirts in stock for £6.00, trainers. For Reception and KS1 children, we are relaxed about this attire.

Reception and KS1 children

Because of the nature of their play, we expect the younger children will get wet or muddy quite frequently. Please bring wellies to leave in school as well as a spare set of clothes in their bag.

School Dinners

All Reception and KS1 children are entitled to a Free School Meal.

You may be entitled to Free School Meals for older children if you meet certain criteria. Please look at <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schools-and-education/schools-and-colleges/school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals-and-pupil-premium/> to apply. Even if your child is in KS1 now, it is best to get your application in earlier. If you qualify for Free School Meals, you will also qualify for a little bit of discount on some school trips. If you find form filling is not your thing, please call the Pupil Premium team on 01872 323298 as they are very helpful and will complete the form on your behalf.

If you have any questions, please give Anita a ring in the office.

Our trip to Goodwood by Rewan and Morgan:

This weekend, 7 of the year 6's travelled to Goodwood. There we did 4 different challenges: the slalom, the drag, the chicane and the lap of champions. Each one was very unique one of them was even 2.4 miles but sadly only one of us got to race that one (the lap of champions).



Firstly, we arrived at our campsite where we settled in and got cosy. Before dinner, we practiced the pit-stop challenge where you take off all four wheels, tap each one on the ground and screw them all back into place.



The next day, we arrived at Goodwood where we picked our spot and got Karnow (our go-cart) ready. We put Morgan into the cart and took in turns racing the slalom. After that, Joey and George raced the chicane then we took in turns racing the drag. Finally, Sam did the lap of champions.

This was the end of our journey where we went to Mcdonalds and then finally we arrived back home.

A note from Miss Symons:

The children were an absolute credit to our school over our Goodwood weekend trip, they showed true teamwork and resilience while having a lot of fun- they were a pleasure to spend the weekend with. A huge thank you to everybody involved in helping us get our go-kart running again this year: from those who gave up their time to come and help us in the preparations and build-up, to those who helped us on the day at both Perranporth and Goodwood, and everybody who bought cakes at the children's bake sale to raise money for this project- a massive thank you!

We have been lucky over the past 3 years to have had funding from Watson Marlow to help us with this project, however we have now reached the end of the 3 years they agreed to sponsor us for. If you know of any business who may be looking to sponsor our go-kart next year please drop me a message.



ART CLUB

Miss Burns' club on a Thursday will continue as Art Club

TALENT SHOW

The talent show, will be taking place on Monday the 14th July at 1.30pm. Application forms are available from the office and need to be back in by Thursday 3rd July. Everyone taking part will need to provide their own equipment.

ECO CLUB

Please can you bring in plastic bottle caps for an Eco club art project.

MUSIC LESSONS

There are some spaces available in guitar lessons for Y2 upwards.

We are also able to offer Violin lessons for Y2 upwards.

If you child is interested in either of the above please contact Mrs Care for more details.

Academic and Pastoral Support

If you need help or have concerns regarding your child, please see your class teacher in the first instance. Discussion with your class teacher first will help them to meet the needs of your child. Further support can be sought by class staff, should this be needed.

PARKING

Please can we ask that you do not park on the pavement at the bottom of the playground and this means the pavement cannot be used and residents/parents/children have to walk in the road which can be dangerous.



MENU

Fish fingers will be on the menu as well as chicken or cheese on a Thursday until further notice



Monday

Build your own baguette (ham, cheese, tuna) with scrumptious salad bars and features home grown ingredients.

Tuesday

Chicken nugget/Quorn nugget + chip with beans and cheese.



Wednesday

Spagetti bolognese/macaroni cheese with broccoli and carrots.

Thursday

Build your own wraps chicken/cheese with scrumptious salad bar.

Friday

Burger + chips (chicken, beef, voggie) scrumptious salad.

CLUBS

Monday – Rounders – Miss Symons Y1-Y6

Tuesday – Cricket – Mr Conway Y1-Y6
Eco Club – Mrs Knight – Y1-Y

Thursday – PE Games – Mrs Reeves Y1-Y6
Art Club – Miss Burns Y3-Y6

YOU WILL NEED TO SIGN YOUR CHILD/REN UP FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE CLUBS, THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND, BY EMAILING MRS CARE

NO WASTE WEDNESDAY!

Great news! We have new recycling stations in each classroom including food waste bins. In order to reduce our waste and recycle/compost effectively we need to take some action.

Here is what our Eco-Club members have to say...

"We think our school has been wasting too much food and not recycling enough wrapping so we would like to introduce 'No Waste Wednesday' every week. In your packed lunch you can use reusable pots and tubs and if you do have wrappers make sure to put your rubbish in your lunch box so you can take your rubbish home to recycle!"

Each Wednesday, we will be weighing our food waste and black bins to monitor our waste. We will be working with Kathryn to ensure that the right amount of food is prepared in the school kitchen. If you have a packed lunch, we encourage you to avoid individually wrapped items. For example, cut a chunk of cheese from a large block rather than bringing an individual portion.

Let's all do our bit to work towards a 'No Waste Wednesday'!



2025/2026

SUMMER TERM 2025

Thursday 10th July

Y1-6 Summer Production 1.30pm &
6pm

Monday 14th July

Talent Show @ 1.30pm

Wednesday 16th July

Whole school transition 9.00-12.00

Friday 18th July

Leavers Service 2.15pm

Wednesday 23rd July

Break up @ 1.30pm

Autumn Term 2025 (74 days)

3rd September 2025 – 19th December 2025
(Half term 27th October – 31st October)

Spring Term 2026 (60 days)

5th January 2026 – 2nd April 2026
(Half term 16th – 20th February)

Summer Term 2026 (61 days)

20th April 2026 – 22nd July 2026
(Half term 25th May – 29th May)

Public Holidays

Christmas Day	25th December 2025
Boxing Day	26th December 2025
New Years day	1st January 2026
Good Friday	3 rd April 2026
Easter Monday	6 th April 2026
May Bank Holiday	4th May 2026
Spring Bank Holiday	25th May 2026
Summer Bank Holiday	31 st August 2026

INSET DAYS

1st – 5th June 2026



The graphic features a colorful background with a rainbow gradient. At the top center is the 'SilverCloud' logo in a blue oval. To the left of the logo are two white stars and a small cartoon character. Below the logo is a yellow oval containing text about CBT programmes. To the right is a blue box listing the programmes offered. At the bottom right is a green box with a sign-up link. The bottom of the graphic shows a stylized illustration of people climbing a tree on a small island.

SilverCloud

Interactive cognitive behavioural therapy (CBT) programmes to help support and make you feel better

SilverCloud offers a number of programmes including:

- Supporting an Anxious Child
- Supporting an Anxious Teen
- Supporting a Child with ADHD

For more information and to sign up please use the link below:
<https://cornwallcyp.silvercloudhealth.com/signup/>

NHS Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

KINDERGARTEN CLASS UPDATE

It was so lovely to see so many Kindergarten children in attendance at Mazey day, it was a fantastic day, and we hope you all enjoyed it! A huge thank you goes to Mrs Bird for giving her time and dedication (and her artistic brilliance!) creating the bouncing jellyfish!



This week we have been looking at dental hygiene. We talked about the reasons why we need to brush our teeth and when to do it. We all had a go at brushing our teeth in class, making sure we brushed them well! In Drawing Club, we watched Topsy and Tim visit the dentist, and wrote about the characters, the setting and during adventure time, we wrote codes where lots of strange, weird and wonderful things happened at the dentist!



Also this week, Reception children have been having a breaktime with the older children in school, in preparation for September. Miss Burns has been with them to support this transition, in Circle Time, Reception have discussed their feelings of moving up into Year 1, their worries, excitement, growing older and being with new friends.



CRICKET - NATIONAL PROGRAMMES ALL STARS AND DYNAMOS 2025 IN CORNWALL

Fully subsidised places are available:

We are pleased to confirm that Cornwall Cricket have continued their Support Fund for National Programmes. Please share this link for those in need to apply for free places to any programme in Cornwall! Please bear in mind that this is a limited funding offer and communicating this promptly will help success.

5 to 8 year olds: <https://www.ecb.co.uk/play/all-stars>

8 to 11 year olds: <https://www.ecb.co.uk/play/dynamos-cricket>

Twitter and Instagram

The Federation of Germoe and Boskenwyn Schools are on twitter and Instagram!

Twitter: @BoskenwynGermoe

Instagram: boskenwyngermoe

Feel free to follow us and spread the word to encourage others to hear about the wonderful things happening in our schools.






The Mental Health Support Team warmly invite you to attend...

Wild Wellbeing

During the summer holidays MHST, in collaboration with Natural England, Cornwall Wildlife Trust and National Trust, would like you to join us on a **FREE Wild Wellbeing** session at various locations across Cornwall.

This is for parents and children aged 5-12 in Cornwall to help understand and support emotional and mental wellbeing. Please book **EACH** child on to a session

Morning and afternoon sessions available at:

- Golitha Falls
- Dipping Pond, Goss Moor
- Tehidy Woods
- Penrose Estate
- Heamoor Primary School
- Hayle Family Hub

Each session will last approx. 2 hours

To request a place, complete the online form or scan the QR code provided:
<https://forms.office.com/e/NRrN3NXSvH>


Please note: Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis. If you are allocated a place and cannot attend, please let us know so we can allocate your space to someone else

Follow us on Facebook for updates and upcoming events:
Cornwall Mental Health Support Team (MHST)

Become a Parent Champion



What is a Parent Champion?
 Parent Champions are parent volunteers who give a few hours a week to talk to other parents about the local services available to them. **Parent Champions can make a big difference by sharing their experiences and knowledge with other parents.**

Volunteering can help you to...

- Build confidence and skills
- Meet other parents/carers
- Access to free training
- Develop your communication and language skills
- Learn new skills to help you return to work

Are you interested in becoming a Parent Champion?
 Do you...

- Live in Cornwall?
- Have a child under 16?
- Use the Family Hubs and other local groups?
- Enjoy meeting and chatting with other parents?

Then why not contact us to find out about our Parent Champion programme?

Visit: fis.cornwall.gov.uk
 Email: deborah.manning@cornwall.gov.uk
 Call: 07591 444532

 **Parent Champions**
 Cornwall

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BECOME A HUMAN BEAVER

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BUILD A TRICKLE DAM

07 JULY 2025 | 10AM - 3PM

A FUN AND EDUCATIONAL DAY WORKING TOGETHER AS 'HUMAN BEAVERS' TO BUILD A NATURAL FLOOD MANAGEMENT SYSTEM USING TRICKLE DAMS.

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 Penwinnick Road, Saint Agnes, TR5 0PA

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This activity is funded by the Future is Green project at Truro and Penwith College, which is part-funded by the UK Government through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.

Sleep Workshop - <https://forms.office.com/e/6cJiu8PArV>
 Resilience Workshop - <https://forms.office.com/e/260T74xF2v>
 Worry Workshop - <https://forms.office.com/e/hkyaFeuYIZ>
 Behaviour Workshop - <https://forms.office.com/e/gA2jNGbZ4F>



MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST
 Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

Parents and Carers please join us at our 1hr online **Worry Workshop**

Monday 8 September - 9:30am & 1pm
 Tuesday 9 September - 10am & 4pm
 Wednesday 10 September - 9:30am & 1pm
 Thursday 11 September - 11am & 4pm

This workshop aims to provide psychoeducation on "What is worry?" and "Why does my child worry?" Also includes practical strategies for helping children manage their worries.

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

This workshop is open to parents/carers of school aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 7 in any school in Cornwall



MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST
 Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

Parents and Carers please join us at our 1hr online **Resilience Workshop**

Monday 15 September - 9.30am & 1pm
 Tuesday 16 September - 10am & 4pm
 Wednesday 17 September - 11am & 1pm
 Thursday 18 September - 9.30am & 4pm

This workshop aims to talk about the meaning of resilience, explore building resilience and look at how and when a young person should ask for help.

To book a place please complete the online form <https://forms.office.com/e/260T74xF2v> or scan the QR code

This workshop is open to parents/carers of school aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 7 in any school in Cornwall



MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST
 Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

Parents and Carers please join us at our 1hr online **Behaviour Workshop**

Monday 22 September - 9.30am & 1pm
 Tuesday 23 September - 11am & 4pm
 Wednesday 24 September - 9.30am & 1pm
 Thursday 25 September - 10.00am & 4pm

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

To book a place please complete the online form <https://forms.office.com/e/gA2jNGbZ4F> or scan the QR code

This workshop is open to parents/carers of school aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 7 in any school in Cornwall



MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST
 Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

Parents and Carers please join us at our 1hr online **Sleep Workshop**

Monday 29 September - 11am & 4pm
 Tuesday 30 September - 9.30am & 1pm
 Wednesday 1 October - 9.30am & 1pm
 Thursday 2 October - 10am & 4pm

This workshop aims to provide psychoeducation on sleep hygiene and sleep routines. Also includes practical strategies for helping children

To book a place please complete the online form <https://forms.office.com/e/6cJiu8PArV> or scan the QR code

This workshop is open to parents/carers of school aged children enrolled in Reception to Year 7 in any school in Cornwall

HUMPHRY DAVY - TIME TO MOVE

Plymouth Argyle will be running activity sessions at Humphry Davy School on:

24th and 25th July 2025 and 19th, 20th and 21st August 2025. FSM just need to add their voucher code on booking.

The sessions are open to children from age 7 to 16years.

During the sessions, children will be able to take part in a variety of activities such as:

- Football/Basketball/Tennis/Badminton/Netball/Arts and Crafts

Sessions run from 10am to 2pm.

Each day the fantastic team in the Humphry Davy School Kitchen will be providing lunch and fruit for all children that attend. Please make sure you write on the registration forms if your child has any special dietary requirements and we will liaise with the team to make sure they can still enjoy a hot meal. If you would prefer to send your child with a packed lunch that is absolutely fine.

Each day please send your child/children wearing comfortable clothes and shoes to be able to run around in, a refillable water bottle, any medication they may need clearly marked and a coat in case the weather allows us to go outside for activities.

<https://playwaze.com/humphry-davy-school/4r399obbm919xd/session-display?eventId=PhysicalEventSeries/115908-B&timeZone=Europe/London>

gunners kids
Support for families affected by the terminal illness of a parent/carer

If you are a family with children where the parent/carer has a terminal illness come and join us at one of our activities or events.

We provide:

- Memory making workshops
- Support boxes
- Drop In sessions
- Activity days
- Information
- Peer Support

With the exception of our activity days all our services are free.

Terminal illnesses include: MND, heart disease, organ failure, lung disease, certain neurological conditions, some cancers, and any other life limiting condition that cannot be cured.

Visit: www.gunnerskids.org
 email: tamsin@gunnerskids.org

Find us on:

  




KERNOW YOUNG CARERS SERVICE

Kernow Young Carers Service meets the needs of young carers and young adult carers. We support Carers from 4-25 yrs.

HOW TO CONTACT US

01736 756655

hello@carersadvice.org.uk

www.cornwallcarers.org.uk
www.kernowyoungcarers.co.uk

We offer:

- Practical support, information, advice, and guidance.
- Activities and workshops.
- Social interaction, peer support and help to provide a break from the caring role.
- Training and support for schools.
- IT support.
- Help to access grants to meet a range of needs that help to reduce the impact of your caring role.

CORNWALL CARERS SERVICE
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CORNWALL CARERS SERVICE

Are you a carer?

Cornwall Carers Service delivers a range of high quality support services for unpaid Carers of all ages throughout Cornwall.

Our Partnership is made up of DisAbility Cornwall IOS, Barnardo's, Age UK CLOS, Promas CIC and CRCC as the Lead Partner.

A Creative and inspirational partnership of like-minded organisations supporting unpaid Informal Carers caring for a loved one.

Our services include, emotional support, information, advice and guidance, statutory assessment, access to grants, community support, carer specific training and dedicated support for all carers (including young carers and young adults).

A Carer is anyone who cares, unpaid, for a friend or family member who due to illness, disability, a condition that affects their mental or physical wellbeing or an addiction cannot manage without their support.

Caring includes helping with chores and tasks like cooking, cleaning, communication, moving around, shopping, washing, taking medication, managing money or managing appointments.




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All Stars Cricket is the best cricket experience for **5-8 year-olds**

All kids are guaranteed to develop **new skills** while **having fun** and **making friends**

Participants receive a **personalised t-shirt**



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This is our game.

Calling all 8-11 year olds!

Whether a graduate from All Stars or new to the sport, Dynamos Cricket is an exciting way for kids to **play, learn** cricket skills and make **new friends**.

Participants receive a personalised New Balance shirt with their name and chosen number.

Sign up today  dynamoscricicket.co.uk

LOCALS SUMMER

ART WORKSHOPS FOR 7-13s

KINDLY FUNDED BY LITTLE PARC OWLES TRUST.

JULY		AUGUST	
	£12		£12
Coastal Colour & Collage 25 July		Expressive Painting 1 Aug	
Using a mixture of materials, have fun making art outside and capturing what you see.		Unleash your creativity and explore the vibrant world of abstract and expressive painting.	
		Playful Print: Collagraph 8 Aug	
		Experiment with collagraph, a textural and layered approach to printmaking.	
		Expressive Painting 15 Aug	
		Another chance to unleash your creativity and explore the vibrant world of abstract and expressive painting.	
		Ink + Paint + Paper 22 Aug	
		Learn how to create atmospheric artworks on paper, inspired by images of the wild landscape of Cornwall, using acrylic inks and paint.	
		Playful Print: Repeat Pattern 29 Aug	
		Learn how to make a never ending pattern through a satisfying trick in print-making!	

ST IVES SCHOOL OF PAINTING.
schoolofpainting.co.uk
 01736 797 180

St Ives School of Painting, Portmeor Studios, Back Road West, St Ives, Cornwall TR26 1NG. Registered charity no. 1148273. Registered company no. 7871043

The workshops will run on Friday afternoons at the St Ives School of Painting, 2 to 4pm.

Please see the poster attached giving the workshop content and dates. The workshops can be found here: Your paragraph text

Locals workshops are £12 and free to families on low-income. They just need to contact me for a Scholarship application form to apply - cat@schoolofpainting.co.uk.

School information finder - Germoe

What information do you need?

Where to find the information

I need to contact school urgently

Phone on 01736 763310

I need to contact school non-urgently

Email secretary.germoe@fbgschools.co.uk or email class teacher(name plus @fbgschools.co.uk)

School website

I need to find a list of teachers

www.germoe.cornwall.sch.uk

Our school – Meet the staff

School website

I need to know term dates

www.germoe.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 01736 763310

I want to find out about upcoming dates, trips etc

School website

www.germoe.cornwall.sch.uk

Calendar

I want to read a school policy

School website

www.germoe.cornwall.sch.uk

Our school - Policies

School website

I want to see the school development plan

www.germoe.cornwall.sch.uk

Our school – school development plan

School website

I want to see what is on the lunch menu

www.germoe.cornwall.sch.uk

Parent info – Menu

School website

I want to find out about clubs

www.germoe.cornwall.sch.uk

Parent info - Newsletter

I want to look at a past or present newsletter

School Website

www.germoe.cornwall.sch.uk

Parent info - Newsletter

Phone or email

01736 763310

I need to report a safeguarding matter to school

Paula Blackburn head@fbgschools.co.uk

Angie Larcombe alarcombe@fbgschools.co.uk