



Germoe School

Newsletter

2nd February 2024

Message from Miss Blackburn

Dear parents and carers

It's been another busy and exciting week in school. Perranuthnoe class have been out at the Minack Theatre today. KS2 have been swimming and Kindergarten have been joining in with some bird watching. It was wonderful to be part of the Christingle Service at Germoe Church on Monday, thank you to all those who came and joined us there.

We hope you have a brilliant weekend!

Paula Blackburn.

REMINDER TO WEAR SCHOOL UNIFORM

Our school uniform is:

sweatshirt/navy jumper or cardigan,

polo shirt white/light blue

navy/black trousers/joggers/leggings/skirt

Sweatshirts, t-shirts and bookbags can be purchased through School Money and collected from the office

**PLEASE CAN WE ASK THAT YOU LEAVE THE DISABLED PARKING BAY
AVAILABLE FOR ANYONE THAT MAY NEED IT**

CLUBS

Monday 3.30–4.30pm

CANCELLED Football club – Mr Conway
Dance club – Miss Reeves

Tuesday 3.30–4.30pm

Yoga club – Miss Burns
Origami club – Miss Symons

Wednesday lunchtime

Choir – Miss Laity

Thursday 3.30–4.30pm

Eco Club – Mrs Knight

This half term a mixed group of year 3/4 children from both Germoe and Boskenwyn school have been competing in a football league against other primary schools. Here is a photo of the team after winning and drawing their first two games. We are looking forward to our next fixtures of games on Monday!



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: We will inform Cornwall Council so they can update their website We will inform local radio stations (BBC Radio Cornwall, Goldmine FM, Heart FM, Pirate FM) so they can make announcements and update their websites 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

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.

DIARY DATES 2023/2024

IMMINENT DATES

Monday 5th February

Football League Y3/4 at Helston

NO FOOTBALL CLUB AT SCHOOL

Friday 9th February

Break up for half term

Monday 19th February

Back to school

Tuesday 20th February

Godrevy class - Maritime Museum trip

29th February – 9am

Coffee and cake meeting

Wednesday 6th March

Godrevy class - Minack trip

SUMMER TERM 2024

23rd April 2.45pm

Coffee and cake meeting

Monday 17th June to Wednesday 19th June

Helston School Y6 Transition events

20th June 9am

Coffee and cake meeting

24th June

1:45pm Sports Day

22nd July

2.30pm Leaver's service

24th July

Break for Summer

TERM DATES 2023/2024

Autumn term (72 days)

- 4th September – 19th December 2023
- (Half term 23rd – 27th October 2023)

Spring Term (56 days)

- 4th January – 28th March 2024
- (Half term 12th–16th February 2024)

Summer term (67 days)

- 15th April – 24th July 2024
- (Half term 27th May – 31st May 2024)
- **INSET 3rd–7th June 2024**

Information for all settings: Guidance on measles outbreaks

There have been recent localised outbreaks of measles centred around the West Midlands. There is a risk of further outbreaks in other areas unless urgent action is taken to increase Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) vaccination take up in areas with low MMR vaccine rates.

Measles spreads very easily among those who are unvaccinated, especially in nurseries and schools. The best protection against measles for children and adults is to get both doses of the MMR vaccine. It is never too late to have these vaccinations.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/>

Neurodiverse?

A new system will be operational from April, for the assessment pathway for Autism and ADHD. It's not yet up and running, but Parent Carer Cornwall have a linked site, which has some great information for parents about neurodiversity. If you'd like to take a look:

<https://parentcarercornwall.org.uk/> and find the 'Neurodiversity Hub' tab at the top of the page

SAFETY NOTICE

We have seen cars parking on the pavement, below the playground, at drop off and collection times. Please can we ask that you refrain from doing this as it means parents and children have to go into the road to get around the parked cars.

Thank you

GODREY CLASS TRIPS

This week Godrevy Class parents received an email with their trips for next half term. The deadline for returning these forms is today



Please ensure that you log in to view the full article and any attachments.

g New health advice messaging service launches for families in Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly

Monday, 22th 00th 00st 00th Community Health and Wellbeing

ChatHealth
Parent Line 0-5


TEXT
07312 263 423

ChatHealth
Parent Line 5-19

TEXT
07312 263 499

ChatHealth Young
People 11-19

TEXT
07312 263 096



ChatHealth
Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly
www.cornwall.gov.uk/chathealth

Get
confidential
health and
wellbeing advice
and support

Dear colleagues,

From today Monday 22 January 2024 we are launching our enhanced offer for young people and parents / carers to contact Health Visitors and School Nurses in Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly.

There are three advice lines as follows:

- young people aged 11-19: **07312 263 096**
- parents / carers of children aged 0-5: **07312 263 423**
- parents / carers of children and young people aged 5-19: **07312 263 499**

Users can send a message, anonymously if they wish, to Health Visiting and School Nursing to get confidential help and advice about a range of health concerns, including:

- Sleep
- Child development
- Support with behaviour
- Toiletting
- Feeding and nutrition
- Keeping safe and healthy
- Childhood illnesses and support with medical conditions at school
- Emotional, mental health and wellbeing
- Relationship
- Smoking and vaping
- Drugs and alcohol

The messaging service is available Monday to Friday (excluding bank holidays) from 9am to 5pm. When a message is sent to the numbers, an automated reply confirms the message has been received. A trained healthcare professional will reply to the message within 48 hours (within office time).

Alternatively users can continue to contact the service via:

- Telephone: 01627 334301
- Email: hvsaadvice@cornwall.gov.uk

Our web page is being regularly updated at www.cornwall.gov.uk/healthadvice.

You can read our press release on our news page at: www.cornwall.gov.uk/council-news/together-for-families/new-health-advice-messaging-service-launches-for-families-in-cornwall-and-the-isles-of-scilly

Read more | remaining 44% of article | 3 documents

You are receiving this message as you have a headteacher and / or business manager / school secretary account with the Services for Schools platform administered by Cornwall Council | Together for Families.



CLASS UPDATE

This week, Perranuthnoe Class went to the Minack Theatre. We saw backstage and all of the spotlights and all of the special things that other people don't get to see. We learnt that all the concrete was made of sand so Rowena Cade got two big sacks and filled them up with sand and carried it up the cliff and made it all into concrete. I loved making a play about 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. By Aria



Information Classification: CONTROLLED

Parents and Carers WE NEED YOU!

Headstart Kernow together with Lightbox Film Co. are working on an exciting project to raise awareness of Children's Rights.

Our hope is to work with as many local parents and carers as we can to capture a range of voices and stories that will come together to create a series of short films. The purpose of these films will be to inform, educate, raise awareness, understanding, and celebrate what parents and carers are already doing to uphold their children's rights.

We would love for parents/carers in Cornwall to join us for our first engagement workshop.

We are currently working on finalising the venue and date that will be towards the end of February.

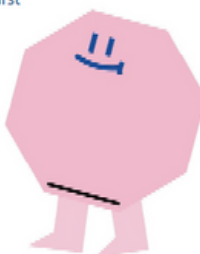
We'll provide lunch and refreshments plus a goody bag for taking time to participate in this exciting project!

Is this something that you would be interested in?
If so, please rsvp by Friday 2nd February 2024.

We'll then be in touch with more information.

Contact us

Email: childrensrights@cornwall.gov.uk



We have a few resources that are now available for you to borrow, relating to supporting wellbeing, emotions, anxiety, Autism, bereavement, trauma and activities to support wellbeing. The box will be available in the Office. Please use the 'sign out' sheet and return the item within two weeks. If you have books or resources that you no longer need or use, we would be very grateful for them, to support families further. Many thanks



For children in Y5/6 and older – Headstart Kernow, have developed a mental health site for young people, made by young people with lots of helpful advice. If your child is in Y5 or 6, this may be something you would like to look at with them:

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

Instagram: boskenwyngermoe

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

Tax-Free Childcare is:

- For **working families**, including the self-employed, **in the UK**
- Earning **under £100k** and **an average of £167** per week (equal to 16 hours at the National Minimum or Living Wage) each over three months
- Who **aren't** receiving Tax Credits, Universal Credit or childcare vouchers
- With children aged 0-11 (or 0-16 if disabled)
- For every £8 you pay into an online account, the government will add an extra £2, **up to £2,000 per child per year**

For more information <https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare>

Early Help Drop-in Coffee & Chat Mornings



Kerrier Coffee Morning

12th January at Redruth Family Hub 09.30-11.30am

Guest speaker- Parent Carers Cornwall Team. With youth worker and family workers available for advice.

Penwith Coffee Morning

19th January at Hayle Family Hub 09.30am-11.30am

Guest Speaker- Parent Carers Cornwall Team. With youth worker and family worker available for advice.

Parent Carers Cornwall want to ensure that all SEND parents have their voices heard and enable parent carers to gain greater knowledge and understanding of the services available to them and their child from health, education, local authority and the voluntary sector.

Both events are free of charge with refreshments provided.

**For any further information
please contact:**

Email: Penwith.FamilyHub@cornwall.gov.uk
or Kerrier.FamilyHub@cornwall.gov.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)
I need to find a list of teachers	School website www.germoe.cornwall.sch.uk Our school – Meet the staff
I need to know term dates	School website 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
I want to see the school development plan	School website www.germoe.cornwall.sch.uk Our school – school development plan
I want to see what is on the lunch menu	School website www.germoe.cornwall.sch.uk Parent info – Menu
I want to find out about clubs	School website 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
I need to report a safeguarding matter to school	Phone or email 01736 763310 Paula Blackburn head@fbgschools.co.uk Angie Larcombe alarcombe@fbgschools.co.uk Denise Rusga drusga@fbgschools.co.uk