

Germoe School Newsletter

18th July 2025





Dear parents and carers

It's been another hive of activity in school with the amazing talent show and the Y6 leavers service amongst other things. The children were wonderful yet again and so brave showing off their musical talents in front of many people.

In September, there will be slight changes to staffing and layouts as discussed previously and we will also be introducing a new phonetic coding programme for our early readers which will also aim to improve spelling throughout the age groups. This new programme supports our view on reading much better than the previous phonics programme we had to use. I will talk about this and the changes for September in more detail at a welcome meeting for new and existing parents on Wednesday 3rd September at 9.00am in the school hall. Please could you put this in your diary, it would be lovely to see you there. It is the perfect opportunity to meet one another and welcome the new parents to our school.

As this is the final newsletter of the year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support over the past year. I'd like to say a special thank you to the friends of Germoe School (FROGS) for all their hard work, to our super enthusiastic and dedicated staff and most importantly to our amazing children for being amazing!

I'd like to wish our Y6 children the best of luck as they move on to their new settings and say a big thank you to the families who are moving on. We will miss you all so do try to keep in touch and let us know how you are doing.

Finally, I would like to wish you all an amazing Summer break. Take care and keep safe and we will see you on our return on 3rd September.

Miss Blackburn

Menu change for first day back in September

Pesto pasta or macaroni cheese

RINSEY CLASS

On Tuesday can everyone bring in a plastic carrier bag to take their books home with them.

CLUBS - THERE WILL NOT BE ANY CLUBS NEXT WEEK OR THE FIRST WEEK BACK IN SEPTEMBER

EXCEPT FOR WRAPAROUND CARE

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.

MUSIC LESSONS

There are some spaces available in guitar lessons and also some availability for piano and violin lessons in September. for Y2 upwards.

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

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 inthe road which can be dangerous.



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'!

SCHOOL MENU



Become a Parent Champion

What is a Parent Champion?

arents about the local services available to sem. Parent Champions can make a big ifference by sharing their experiences and knowledge with other parents.

Volunteering can help you to...

- Meet other parents/carers
- Access to free training
- Develop your cor
- Learn new skills to help you return to work

Are you interested in becoming a Parent Champion?

- · Have a child under 16?
- Use the Family Hubs and other local groups?
 Enjoy meeting and chatting with other parent

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

Visit: fis.cornwall.gov.uk Email: deborah.manning













Breage Festival

Children & Adult Competition Saturday 20th September

Childrens Competition's

Make your own miniature garden, using your imagination and creativity. Base to be no bigger than 30cm x 30cm

Make your own recycled animal using things that you would put up for roadside collection.



Age Groups 0 - 4 years, 5 - 7 years, 8 - 10 years, 11 - 16 years



All entries for the children's competition are to be dropped at Breage Church at 1pm on the day with a name, age and contact number on the bottom so can't be seen.

Judging to take place by 3pm then you are able to collect your designs to take home.

Adult Competition Festival' themed Cake Competition

Put your baking skills to the test and enter your eation that's fit enough for a festival! Then donate it to us to use and sell to help our fundraiser. Best baker will win a prize!

Please DO NOT use NUTS within the ingredients and please supply a list of ingredients so we can display. Please drop any cakes by 1pm on the day to Breage Snooker & Social Club with your name and contact number on the bottom



All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult - thank you! For further info email kerrierpioneer@gmail.com or find us on Facebook

2025/2026

SUMMER TERM 2025

Monday 14th July Talent Show @ 1.30pm

Wednesday 16th July

Whole school transition 9.00-12.00

Friday 18th July

Leavers Service 2.15pm

Monday 21st July

Leavers lunch - Y6 parents please see Seesaw update

Wednesday 23rd July

Break up @ 1.30pm

AUTUMN TERM 20225 Wednesday 3rd September

Back to school
9.00 am Welcome Meeting

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 2029
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



RINSEY CLASS UPDATE

This week in Rinsey we have been super busy. We have been finishing off lots of projects. We played rounders against the year 6's and we enjoyed transition day on Wednesday.

PINS Project - Parent/carer survey

Dear Parent Carer

We are pleased to inform you that your child's primary school will be participating in the Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS) Project over the next 12 months, with an aim explore neurodivergent children's experiences and help improve the support on offer to them in school.

The PINS project is part of a current national programme of partnership working between the Department of Education (DfE), the Department of Health & Social Care (DHSC), NHS England (NHSE), and Parent Carer Forums (PCF); to better support the education and health needs of neurodivergent children & young people within mainstream school settings across the UK.

As the PINS Project work is about to begin in your school, you are being invited to share your thoughts and experiences in relation to school via a survey by Parent Carers Cornwall. The information from this survey will be used to understand your child's school's strengths and potential areas of improvement from your perspective as a Parent and/or Carer.

When this current phase of the national PINS Project comes to an end in March 2026, Parent Carers Cornwall will again invite you to complete another survey. This will be a new survey towards the end of our local project work, to understand what has changed for you and your child in relation to school over the course of your school's involvement in the PINS Project.

This survey is for ALL Parents and/or Carers of children attending participating primary schools in the PINS Project in Cornwall to complete, not just Parents and/or Carers of children with SEND or neurodivergent children (self-identified or diagnosed).

Please find the link to our survey here: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Summer25PINSsurvey N.B. If you have more than one child attending the school, then you are welcome to complete the survey individually for each of your children attending the school.

If you would like to learn more about the PINS Project work in Cornwall, please visit the Parent Carers Cornwall PINS Project webpage. There you can find details on the aims of the national PINS project, a list of schools that participated in phase 1 of the project in Cornwall, and information about our Locality Support Officers. The final list of the schools participating in phase 2 of the PINS Project in Cornwall will be published on the website shortly. The Parent Carers Cornwall website also contains details of regular free Parent Carer events & workshops; and is home to Cornwall's Neurodiversity Hub (which is part of the current Neurodiversity Profiling Tool offer across Cornwall).

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

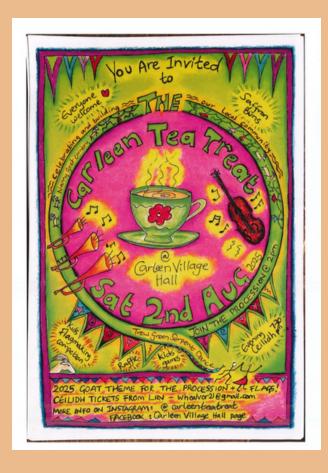
Twitter and Instagram

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.









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









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 16 years.

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













Expressive Painting

Ink + Paint + Paner

Playful Print: Repeat Pattern

ST IVES SCHOOL

01736 797 180

OF PAINTING

15 Aug

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

Email secretary.germoe@fbgschools.co.uk or email class teacher(I need to contact school non-urgently

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 See saw

upload their homework

Reading records

I want to report my child absent from

school

Phone call before 0900 on 01736 763310

School website I want to find out about upcoming dates,

trips etc

www.germoe.cornwall.sch.uk

Calendar

School website

I want to read a school policy 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

School Website

I want to look at a past or present

newsletter

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