

17 May 2023

Message from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers

Please find attached the most recent updates for you to look through. Apologies for the delay this week!

Best wishes

Miss Lock

Sports Day

Our Sports Day for all classes will take place on **Thursday 18**th **May morning**. We aim to start at 9:30 and will be finished by lunchtime. The PTCA will be serving cream teas (there will be a charge

PTCA will be serving cream teas (there will be a charge for this, so please remember your change) and we ask that you bring your own travel mug with a lid if you can.

Children are invited to come into school wearing a T-shirt that is the colour of their House. Please do not worry if they don't have a coloured T-shirt, their normal PE shirt is fine.



Online Safety Information

Please see below some links for some handy online safety resources that you might want to share with our families.

https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/6-10/supporting-9-10-year-old-girls-digital-wellbeing/ - resources around supporting young girls digital wellbeing

<u>https://www.childnet.com/help-and-advice/influencers/</u> - article around how support your child if they are showing an interest in influencers.

https://assets.xboxservices.com/assets/b1/00/b100259a-3152-4f0a-a194-

<u>5eb1e42db368.pdf?n=Australia Xbox-Gaming-Safety-Toolkit-v2.pdf</u> - xbox gaming toolkit, how to lock settings etc

Year Five Camp

The children had the best time at BF Adventures last week. The children took part in a range of awesome activities that developed their team building skills as well as testing their courage to try new things as well as getting very, very wet! The camping experience seemed to go down very well with the children and I hear that the camp breakfasts were a huge success.

We would like to thank all the adults who supported the camp; Mrs Sydenham, Ms Varnish, Ms Sobol and Mrs French. Thank you all so much for providing the children with such a fun camp.



Coronation News

Following on from the festivities a few weekends ago, we have received some lovely photos of one of our crown winners, Demelza,

collecting her prize for the Crown Competition.

The winners from school were:

Foundation: Demelza Year One: Rowan Year Two: Ella Year Three: Sonny Year Four: Dulcie Year Five: Charlotte Year Six: Isla G

Congratulations to everyone involved and we hope that you like your

prize that was bought by the community!



Sporting News

Last week the children went to a Cricket Tournament at Penair where they played against Mithian, Tregolls and Archbishop Benson.
The children all played really well and the team became the overall winners, qualifying for the next round. Mithian also qualified from the Richard Lander cluster.

"We all had a great time at the tournament on Friday. I was proud to be the captain of the Devoran Defaults. We went against Mithian, Tregolls and Archbishop Benson. The Sports Leaders were great and we won!" Bethany Y4

"I really enjoyed it, the Sports Leaders always helped and even though my team didn't win, I enjoyed it as much as possible. Everybody had an amazing time, everyone played fairly and it was really fun. It was perfect weather for cricket!" Roary Y4



Well done to everyone for representing the school so well!

'Next Gen' Youth Circus NEEDS YOUR VOTE!



Cirque Du Ciel, my favourite Cornish circus charity's incredible youth circus group **Next Gen** are in the running to win a whopping £26,000 from The National Lottery, ITV, UTV and The Sunday Mail. See their project video on the 6pm ITV Westcountry News this Thursday the 18th! Or get a sneak peak while you vote for them on the People's Projects website. Link for video and vote below.

Please search and vote for 'Next Gen Circus Tour'.

Please VOTE online & SHARE this link:

https://www.thepeoplesprojects.org.uk/projects/view/next-gen-circus-tour

VOTING CLOSES 26 MAY!

PLEASE SHARE FAR & WIDE! They would really appreciated it if you could take a minute to vote for the 'Next Gen Circus Tour' & share it with as many as you can (social media, contacts, family & friends). Thanks so much for your support & I hope you get to see them as a result, out and about at festivals & events this summer!

Term Dates Consultation 2024-2025

Cornwall Council is responsible for setting the term dates for maintained Community and Voluntary Controlled schools in Cornwall. Other types of school, including Voluntary Aided, Foundation, Trust and Academy schools, are able to set their own term dates but are encouraged to use the same dates in order to promote consistency across the county.

Draft term dates

The proposed term dates are set in accordance with a three-term year model, with the main breaks taking place at Christmas, Easter and Summer. This is a long-established and accepted model in Cornwall and used in the vast majority of schools across the country.

Maintained schools are required to offer 190 days (380 half-day sessions) of education to pupils. The academic year includes 195 days, with the additional five days being allotted for in-service training (INSET). Academies do not have to follow this requirement but most will follow a very similar pattern.

The proposed dates are produced in consultation with Plymouth and Devon local authorities in order to prevent inconvenience to families and schools living and working close to or across local authority boundaries. The proposed dates for 2024/25 offer good consistency with those set by Plymouth and Devon Councils. Neither Plymouth nor Devon councils have yet set their dates for 2024/25.

Following the close of the consultation period all feedback received will be reviewed and a final decision on the term dates will be made by the Cabinet Member for Children and Families. Confirmed term dates will be posted on the Cornwall Council website.

2024-25 term date consultation

Cornwall Council is currently consulting on proposed term dates for the 2024/25 academic years.

If you would like to comment or provide feedback on the proposed dates please complete the short survey.

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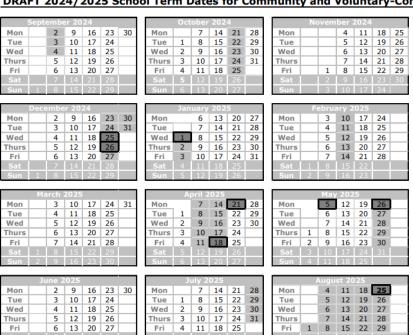
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The closing date is 26 May 2023.

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School holidays

Christmas Day Boxing Day New Years Day Easter Monday Spring Bank Holiday Summer Bank Holiday

25 December 2024 26 December 2024 01 January 2025 18 April 2025 21 April 2025 05 May 2025 26 May 2025

25 August 2025

COUNCIL

AUTUMN TERM (72 days)

5 September - 20 December 2024 (HALF TERM 21-25 October 2024)

SPRING TERM (60 days)

(HALF TERM 12-16 February 2025)

SUMMER TERM (63 days) 22 April - 25 July 2025 (HALF TERM 26-30 May 2025)

195 days are included on the school calendar. Schools will be open to pupils for 190 days. The five additional days are allotted for In-Service Training (INSET). Schools allocate their own INSET days