



Newsletter

Our minute of silence for Remembrance Day.



RESPECT homework:

Can you help to encourage other people to respect our environment?

We have noticed that there is a lot of dog mess on the paths and grassy areas around the school. This is not only HORRIBLE but also DANGEROUS! Can you produce a poster to encourage dog owners to pick up after their pets? Posters should be eye-catching and on A4 paper. Please pass to your class teacher by the end of next week: 18th November. The best will win a prize AND we will display them on the fencing around the school.

GOOD LUCK!

Attendance by Class

Congratulations to Pelicans Class with 98.7% attendance!

Government guidelines state that attendance should be 96.1%. Our whole school attendance is 97.2% as of (30.09.16)

Please ensure your child only takes time off for medical reasons. If they are unwell and absent from

Little Doves	98.0
Little Fish	95.0
Little Lambs	93.3
Peacocks	96.3
Phoenix	95.3
Pelicans	98.7
Angels	96.6
Faith	94.5
Hope	97.3



Polite school reminder:

Smoking including e-cigarettes are not permitted on school grounds.

There are no dogs permitted on school property.



Diary Dates:

15th Nov—Year 1 - 3 Flu vaccine

16th Nov—NO BABY & TODDLER GROUP

16th Nov—New Reception Starters (Sept '17)
Open morning at 10am

18th Nov—Children in Need day

Christmas Performance Dates

EYFS—6/12/16
(BBeebies & Rainbows)

KS1—7/12/16 (Years 1 & 2)

UKS2—8/12/16 (Years 5 & 6)

LKS2—9/12/16 (Years 3 & 4)

All performances have 2 showings, 10am and 2pm.

Children in Need 2016

Children are asked to dress up as 'What they would like to be when they are older'. We will also be holding a bake sale. Donations of £1 as well as 20p for the bake sale. All proceeds will go to Children in Need. If you are a dab hand at cooking or would like to donate some cakes, it would be appreciated.



Reception Admission Forms for Reception 2017/18

If your child is due to start Reception next September 2017, you will need to complete an application form. These can be obtained from our school office or apply online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions. The deadline for your application is **15th January 2017.**

Our Christian values: Compassion, forgiveness, trust, respect, courage and perseverance

Parent Forum Feedback



Thank you to the ten parents who attended our twice termly Parent Forum on Monday. A wide ranging and valuable discussion took place. Mr Lees, Mrs Carmichael and Mrs Parry also attended this meeting.

1. Dojo Points

One parent asked if the idea of dojo points that Mr Deadman is using in Pelicans Class would be spread across the whole school? Dojo points are awarded for good work and behaviour and are put online with comments and photos. Pelican's parents have reported favourably on this development. Mrs Carmichael said that this was a pilot project this term and it seems to be going well. It is likely to be spread to further classes after Christmas. She was pleased to hear that parents were positive about this development.

2. Lost Jumpers

One parent was very concerned about how often her son's jumper goes missing. They are all named and labelled. Her suspicion is that some parents do not return them if they have brought them home by mistake. We agreed to add a note to the BB Newsletter about returning all lost property and we will ask the EYFS and KS1 teams to ensure that pupils only take their own jumpers from their jumper boxes.

3. Head lice

Parents are becoming concerned about the prevalence of headlice in the school at present. The parents appreciated that the school is trying hard to eradicate this problem. A long discussion took place about treatments and informing parents etc. It was agreed that: Mrs Parry would share headlice treatments and management in her next PSA newsletter and a **bug busting day** would be planned. As part of this day, we would ensure that the children know how head lice can be dealt with and hopefully they would take this message home.

4. Playtimes

Concerns were expressed about the younger children not wearing coats on the playground during the cold days that have now arrived. Mrs Carmichael said that she would ask staff to remind children to ensure that coats are on and done up. It was also noted that although parents understood that when PE was at the end of the day children would still be in their PE kits. Parents requested that if the younger children could be given time to put on trousers, skirts and jumpers so that they keep warm on their walk home.

5. Playing football during playtimes

A parent asked if the children could have more opportunities to play football at breaks. Mrs Carmichael said that one of our teaching assistants had agreed to become a play leader at lunchtimes. He is a qualified coach and will be organising a variety of ball games at lunchtimes.

6. Smoking and dogs in school

Parents asked the school to make it clear to all parents that any form of smoking, including the use of e-cigarettes, is **banned** from the school site. Dogs are also not allowed on the school grounds for safety, health and hygiene reasons. This will be added to the BB Newsletter again.

7. Dog Mess

Parents were very unhappy about the risks caused by dog mess on the paths and grass banks coming into and leaving school and wondered what we could do to make this better. This is clearly beyond the school's control but it was suggested that the children might design posters that we display on our fences. Mrs Carmichael will look into this.

8. Changes of Teacher in Year 5

One parent's expressed concerns about the changes of teacher in the Year 5 class. Mrs Carmichael said that she was currently confirming arrangements for the rest of the year and parents will be informed of this by the end of the week. Mr Lees expressed regret that the teacher had changed mid-year but said that this was beyond the school's control as the first teacher decided to leave us after four weeks. The school shared the parents' frustrations with this change.

9. Respect

A parent said that she was concerned about the behaviour of a small number of children on coming to school in the morning and leaving school in the evening. Mr Lees said that this half term's value was '**respect**' and he had been talking to the children about it during the afternoon in Collective Worship. He asked the parent to keep the school informed of any bad behaviour or abuse from BB children on their journey to and from school. They are still wearing the BB uniform and were representing the school. We could then talk to the parents about an appropriate course of action.

Vacancy Bulletin



Job Title:	Parent Support Advisor/Family Support Worker
Hours	20-25 per week
Grade:	F- £7.96-£10.33/hour
Closing Date:	Sunday 27 th November (all posts close at midnight unless otherwise stated)
Contract Type:	Fixed term until
School:	Bishop Bronescombe Primary School
Details:	<p>We are looking to add a Parent Support Advisor to our current enthusiastic and committed team.</p> <p>This will be a fixed term position to commence ASAP and will run until 31st August 2017. The successful candidate will be required to work part time hours between 20 - 25 hours. This will be during term time.</p> <p>The successful applicant will be well organised, flexible and have excellent interpersonal skills. The person will be required to communicate well with pupils, staff, parents and other third party agencies in a calm and professional manner. A passionate, committed and professional individual is required to fully meet the needs of this demanding role.</p> <p>A commitment to supporting the Christian ethos is required.</p>
Contact Details:	<p>enquiries@stpiranscross.co.uk</p> <p>Application packs can be found at www.stpiranscross.co.uk</p>
Application Details:	<p>Applications to be emailed to enquiries@stpiranscross.co.uk or posted to:</p> <p>St Piran's Cross C of E Multi-Academy Trust, Office 38, Victoria Commercial Centre, Station Approach, Victoria, Roche, Cornwall PL26 8LG.</p>

PSA Post

Are you 'in the know' about head lice and the treatments available?

FACTS ABOUT HEAD LICE.

- Head lice are small, six legged, wingless insects that live close to the scalp—not much bigger than a pin head.
- Head lice cannot fly, jump or swim.
- Anyone can catch head lice, but children are most affected because they often have close head to head contact.
- Head lice are not fussy about hair length or condition.
- Nits—are the empty white egg sacs from which lice have hatched out.

DETECTION

Head lice are well camouflaged and can easily be missed in dry hair. The best detection method is wet combing. Once a week after shampooing, apply conditioner and use a normal comb to untangle the hair.

Then switch to a fine toothed plastic detection comb (you pharmacist can recommend a suitable one). Slot the comb into the hair at the roots, as close to the scalp as possible, and comb down to the ends of the hair. Thoroughly comb through the whole of the head, checking the comb after every stroke to see if you have found any lice.

Free head lice treatments can be prescribed by your GP.



Fully grown louse (not to scale)

If you find any head lice, you should check all family members at the same time, and then arrange treatment.

TREATMENT

Treatment is necessary only if you find a living moving louse!

There are three treatment options. If you want any help in deciding which method to use, please speak to your local pharmacist, health visitor, school nurse or GP.

Option 1: dimeticone 4% lotion

This lotion works by blocking the holes through which lice breathe and get rid of waste products. It is not an insecticide.

Option 2: insecticide lotion

There are various types of insecticide lotions. Speak to your pharmacist, health visitor, school nurse or GP for help in choosing one.

Contact Mrs Parry for further information and support.

All lotions

Follow the instructions carefully, and leave the lotion on the hair for the full recommended length of time.

Lotions do not kill all the eggs, so whichever one you are using, it is important to apply it a second time after 7 days to kill any newly hatched baby lice.

Always seek advice—when whoever is being treated with a lotion is under the age of 6 months, suffers from asthma or allergies, or is pregnant or breast feeding.

Option 3: Wet combing

This method involves combing through the hair and physically removing any lice found. You can buy a suitable plastic comb from your pharmacist and follow the instructions above for detection combing.

In order for it to work, you have to repeat the combing every 3 days for up to 3 weeks to make sure that all the lice are removed.

Continue until you no longer find any lice for at least 2 treatments in a row.

BB School Nurse is also available to support families struggling to successfully treat head lice.