



"Learning that lasts a lifetime"

Newsletter

HEAD'S BLOG...

Good afternoon and I hope you all feel a little more settled in our new normal, with children well into their routines and learning. I have seen an array of fantastic work, rewarded with Head's Award stickers, and have thoroughly enjoyed seeing what the children have been doing, posted on their Class Dojo pages.

I've particularly enjoyed the videos posted by years 5 and 6, who have created some fantastic 'Blue Planet'-style narrations— I could well imagine David Attenborough performing them!

Our new BBKids booking system is into its second month. Again, this has not been without challenges but our office staff are working hard to ensure any changes to bookings are sorted, avoiding any unnecessary charges. Please DO NOT make amendments to bookings on Parentpay but call the office if you need to alter a booking so that they can ensure you are charged correctly.

I have sadly received a report recently of a particularly nasty hoax played on a pupil by an online 'friend'. The incident was extremely upsetting and so I thought it worthwhile reminding you all about careful monitoring of your children's online activity. It is all too easy for children to be caught up in the excitement of their game and thrills of making new friends but they can easily fall prey to some nasty experiences. www.internetmatters.org/ is an excellent source of information which can be filtered by age and topic and includes videos you can share with your children as well as advice on how to set controls etc. Thinkuknow also has a great range of child-friendly resources. Please take a look if you can. Also included in this newsletter is a one page guide. Of course the best way to promote online safety is to talk openly about the issue. If your child ever experiences anything that makes them uncomfortable, you or they can report to CEOP (Child Exploitation and Online Protection) - just google CEOP!

STOP PRESS!! If you would like to find out the very latest online safety advice, details of a parent webinar can be found on our Parent Support page.

Have a safe and fun weekend!

Mrs Carmichael

Coronavirus reminders

If your child develop any symptoms of Coronavirus (persistent cough, high temperature or loss of taste / smell), s/he **MUST NOT** come to school and school must be informed. Call 119 or get a test online at:

<https://self-referral.test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk/antigen/name>

High temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature).

A new, continuous cough - this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)

A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

If you believe that your child is well enough to attend school and they have only symptoms of a 'common cold' such as: runny nose, sore throat or a mild cough they are permitted to attend.

Free fruit!

The free fruit scheme is back up and running! All children in Reception, year 1 and year 2 can access fruit at snack-time so they do not need to bring their own into school. This is a great way of encouraging young children to try a range of fruits and it doesn't cost you a penny!

We always encourage children to eat a healthy diet; if your child does bring in a snack, please ensure this is low in fat and sugar.

Many thanks

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2020/21 Autumn Term Diary Dates:

Fri 23 October — Last day of term

Mon 2nd November — Inset day

Notices

Due to the pandemic, St Austell Food Bank saw demand double during April 2020 and they expect this demand to continue well into the autumn.

This Harvest we would love to make a difference together as a community to transform lives here in St Austell. Any donations of food items listed would be greatly appreciated.

Please help local people in crisis by donating items from our shopping list:

items we need regularly:

- tinned rice pudding
- tinned fruit
- tinned meat
- long life milk (UHT)
- tinned tomatoes
- fruit juice (long life)
- tinned fish
- tinned soup
- pasta sauce

- jam
- biscuits
- instant coffee
- cereal
- long grain rice
- tinned vegetables
- soft drinks
- crisps, snacks and sweets
- cup a soup, pot noodles, packet noodles, microwave rice

items we always have plenty of:

- baked beans, tea, pasta & porridge



A message from Mr Nicholas about PE...

Our PE display is looking a little bare where we would usually have a list of upcoming fixtures and events. I've adapted it so we now have a 'BB Wall of Fame'. If you capture any photos of your child doing any kind of physical activity or making healthy choices in any way, please send them to your child's teacher and we will add them to the display



Free School meals -

We understand that during these unprecedented times, peoples financial circumstances may have changed. Please check your eligibility for free school meals, and apply if necessary. Regardless of their entitlement to an universal infant free school meal (UIFSM), children in YR/Y1/Y2 could still be entitled if any of the points on the right apply to you/your family. The school receive some very much needed funding for any eligible pupils, so we urge you to check and apply if necessary, it really would benefit us all! Thank you.

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Applications can be submitted via the following link: <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/school-meals/application-for-free-school-meals-and-pupil-premium/>

PARENT SUPPORT



As always, you can drop me a text on **07903 613074** or email terri-anne.old@celticcross.education.

I can support you with a variety of issues and if I do not have the answer I will work with you to ensure we get you in touch with the help that you, your family or your child needs.



Calling all parents.....



Would you like to know more about online safety?

Are you up to date with the latest guidance in keeping children safe online?

**Join a free webinar to find out more
Tuesday 29th September 2-4pm**

SWGfL have organised a free webinar for parents and professionals in cooperation with leading online safety organisations Childnet & Internet Matters, with the event itself powered by Facebook. They will also lead a webinar alongside Childnet and Internet Matters and will be looking to share the latest online safety information.

This event has limited capacity so don't delay in registering your interest!

What will the event cover?

- Online Safety Challenges - how to talk to children about potential risks.
- New Resources and Tools - helping you and your pupils stay safe online.
- Guidance and Advice for Returning to School - safeguarding considerations.
- Q&A with Online Safety Professionals

How do I sign up?

Visit the SWGfL home page where you'll find instructions to 'get your free ticket'

At National Online Safety we believe in empowering parents, carers and educators with the information they need to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. Please visit nationalonlinesafety.com for further guidance, hints and tips for all users.

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What you need to know about... FRIENDS & FOLLOWERS

What are they? 'Friends & Followers'

What makes social media actually 'social' are the connections users make with other users on the platforms. Every social networking site handles these connections differently, calling them 'connections', 'friends' and 'followers', amongst others. Having friends and followers is how we find out what other people say and do. Your friends and followers are much more likely to see your online content than those outside of your network, which is why it's important to be mindful of who you connect with and what you share. On some platforms, if two accounts follow each other, this may allow additional communication channels such as private messaging.

Ellie-May
FRIENDS
28 Followers

Oscar
FRIENDS
147 Followers

Know the Risks

Access to private information

This may include your child's home address, school, date of birth, names of siblings or other relatives, as well as sensitive photos that inadvertently contain sensitive information. This is completely harmless information for genuine friends or family but could cause issues in the hands of a criminal.

Catfishing

Catfishing is the common name given to an individual posing as someone else on social media. They do this to try and befriend typically young and vulnerable people who they look to them for advice and support. Unfortunately, there are many examples of this happening across the world that have had real-life consequences.

Online bullying

Once a connection is made on social media, there is the potential to send private messages between individuals. It is difficult for social networks and other users to see what is being said between accounts. This provides an opportunity for bullies to victimise individuals and can create a dangerous spiral of online activity.

Safety Tips

Check privacy settings

Platforms such as Facebook allow users to modify their privacy settings, which means people who are not friends can't see all your profile information. It's also possible to hide this information for some or all of your connections. Always make sure your child's accounts are set to private.

Talk about strangers

Make sure children understand that they should only connect with people that they know or can completely trust. They should be wary of anyone messaging them frequently who they don't know in real life or have never spoken to or actually seen online. Catfish will stick to text-based messaging only, to keep their identity secret.

Delete old connections

Children should be mindful that everything they share will probably exist online forever and that they shouldn't share anything that gives too much information away. Every now and again, they should delete old connections that they no longer spend time with. Old accounts can easily be hacked, exposing personal information to strangers.

Further Support

Encourage an open dialogue

It's really important that your children know that they can speak to someone about anything they're not sure of online. It's crucial that they know they won't be judged or told off for anything they've done; it's far more important to know if they're in danger or worried about something.

Seek additional guidance

If your child wants to spend a lot of time online and is displaying compulsive or addictive behaviour, is negatively struggling with schoolwork and reduced real-life interactions or has frequent changes in mood, they could be experiencing negative interactions online. Speak to them and seek support from their school or your local safeguarding team if you think your child has been affected.

Our Expert Emma Davis

Emma Davis is a cyber security expert and former ICT teacher. She delivers cyber awareness training to organisations nationally and has extensive knowledge and experience of managing how children access services and apps online.

Kumail
FRIENDS
63 Followers

Jada
FRIENDS
56 Followers

Amelia
FRIENDS
45 Followers

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Achievers and Award Winners



Each week we will be awarding children who have gone the extra mile with the following:

- **Christian Value Certificate—for demonstrating the Christian value of the week**
- **Achiever Certificate - for showing awesome learning behaviours**
- **Head's Award—for amazing behaviour and attitudes**

These children have been nominated by their class teacher for showing this week's Christian value 'respect'. These children have been particularly courageous settling into their new classes and tackling challenges in their learning this week - well done!

Doves

Oscar

For looking after and valuing our classroom environment.

Fish

Darcie

For being a super positive role model in tidying away our classroom resources.

Lambs

Eleanor

For taking ownership of our new outdoor reading den.

Pelicans

Riley

For kindly holding the doors open for peers and adults.

Peacocks

Lexi

Follow all class instructions and looking after other class members.

Phoenix

Brooklyn

For being incredibly polite and showing off good manners.

Angels

Seth

For following our class rules respectfully.

Faith

Merryn, Eva and Grace

Following our rules respectfully at all times.

Hope

Libby

For always ensuring you are listening to others respectfully.

OTHER NOTICES

The online application process for starting school, transfer to junior school for September 2021 has now started.

Please ensure you name more than one preference. It will not mean less chance of securing a place at your preferred school.



Together for Families

The deadline for applications is **15 January 2021**

Starting school September 2021

Applying for a place in a reception class for children born between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017

Attending a nursery or pre-school

You will need to apply even if your child attends a school's nursery or pre-school class. Please note that if a school is oversubscribed the fact that a child attends a school's nursery or pre-school, or a local nursery or pre-school, does not automatically guarantee a place at that school. The school's oversubscription criteria will be used to allocate places. Visit our website or contact us for more information.

Information and guidance

Website and application form: www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions
 Email: schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk
 Post: School Admissions Team, County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY
 Telephone: 0300 1234 101

Need help with your application?

Contact the Family Information Service on 0800 587 8191



www.cornwall.gov.uk

Applying for a reception class place for September 2021

Special Educational Needs

If an Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plan has been issued for your child you do not need to complete an application form. Please contact the Statutory SEN Service for more information: Tel: 01872 324242 Email: statutorysen@cornwall.gov.uk

- #### 1 Decide on your preferred schools

You are strongly advised to name **three** preferences on the application form. **Naming a second or third preference does not give you any less chance of getting a place at your preferred school.** When making your decision you should...

 - ...think about **how you will get your child to school.** Go to www.cornwall.gov.uk/schooltransport for more information on whether your child would be entitled to transport to school.
 - ...look at the **admission arrangements** on our website that will be used to allocate places for each school.
 - ...consider naming your **nearest or designated school** as one of your preferences. You can find your nearest or designated school on our website.
 - ...look at the detailed **admissions information** on our website, also available on request.
- #### 2 Submit your application by 15 January 2021

Apply online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions
- #### 3 Wait to find out which school you have been allocated

If you applied on time you will be notified of your allocation on **National Offer Day: 16 April 2021. Apply on time!** Late applications will only be dealt with after National Offer Day and there may not be any places left at your preferred schools.



Transfer to junior school September 2021

Applying for a place to transfer from an infant school to year three at a junior school.

You will need to apply for a school place even if your child currently attends the linked infant school.

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1 Prepare to apply

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Please note that if you do not apply on time, your preferred school/s may already be full.

If you need support with your application, please contact the school office of the Family Information Service (0800 587 8191) or School Admissions Team (0300 1234 101).



Transfer to secondary school September 2021

Applying for a place in year seven at a secondary school

Information and guidance

Website and application form: www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions
 Email: schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk
 Post: School Admissions Team, County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY
 Telephone: 0300 1234 101

Need help with your application?

Contact the Family Information Service on 0800 587 8191



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Applying for a secondary school place for September 2021

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2 Submit your application by 31 October 2020

Apply online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

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If you applied on time you will be notified of your allocation on **National Offer Day: 1 March 2021. Apply on time!** Late applications will only be dealt with after National Offer Day and there may not be any places left at your preferred schools.