



Veryan Primary School News



Friday 13th January 2017



Cold weather routine or other emergencies

At this point of the year as the weather begins to turn colder it is worth reiterating our cold weather and emergency closures plans.

There may also be a need for a part closure if some members of our staff cannot travel safely into our schools.

In the event of severe weather or another emergency we would follow this procedure:

- We will inform the local radio stations that the school will not be open.
- We will place an information notice on the front page of the school website with the latest information.
- We will text all parents with our intention to close the school.
- A board will be placed at the school entrance to inform people arriving.
- The phones will be manned by staff who live in close proximity to the school.
- If we have to close the school during the working day we will telephone all parents, and staff who live in close proximity to the school will look after them until the children are collected.

We hope that this will not be necessary but it is better to be prepared and warned!

Punctuality – Register 9.00am

Punctuality and attendance is an important element to the life of our school. Children are welcome into the playground from 8.30am and are encouraged to line up and come into school with their whole class using the bottom door in the playground. Ideally all children would then be able to participate in Morning Maths from 8:45am each



day. Morning maths gives us the opportunity to support our children with their practise of basic skills, such as number bonds and multiplication tables. Non-attendance of this valuable session could have a negative impact on their maths progress.

Our regular visits from the Education Welfare Officer take into account any persistent absentees or late arrivals. Your child's class will have daily registration at 9.00am. If your child arrives after 9.05am your child will be marked as late. Please be aware that you may be asked about the reasons why your child is late. Thank you for your ongoing support in this matter.

“How great was the Great Fire of London?”



On Monday the children in Pendower class went to visit the Fire Station in Truro to see the engines and equipment that are used in fire fighting today. They will use this to compare and contrast between methods used in the 17th Century. It was an inspiring trip and the children had a brilliant time!

“When I grow up I want to be....”



Congratulations Carne class you are this week's...



As part of Carne class' immersive curriculum they were visited by some awesome machines! Thank you to Mr Trounce and Mr Johns for coming to talk to the children and show them the diggers on Tuesday morning. The children were so excited...Trounce mini digger services may have a bit of digger driver competition in a few years time!?!)



Non-Uniform day - 10th February

In aid of Headway, the brain injury association, we will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 17th February. The children can come to school in non-uniform and make a suggested donation of £1.00 to Headway. Headway aims to:

"... promote understanding of all aspects of brain injury and provide information, support and services to survivors, their families and carers. In addition, Headway will campaign to reduce the incidence of brain injury."

For more information on Headway please visit their website at: www.headway.org.uk



Many happy returns to Ruby Wilson, Caleb Kendle, Ysella Young and Toby Williams who will all be celebrating their birthdays. Have a fantastic day all of you!!

Attendance

The expected average percentage attendance for a child is 96%.

Last week the attendance level of each class was:

- Carne Class –100%
- Pendower Class –97%
- Kiberick Class –97%

Year 6 Parent's SAT briefing session

Now that 2017 is well underway, the notorious Statutory Assessment Tests (SATs) which take place in May seem to be just around the corner. For some children (and parents) these can be quite daunting, so we want to do all we can to ensure our children feel confident, achieve what they are capable of and do not feel anxious.

The focused work with Mrs Coley in the mornings and in the Tuesday after school sessions with Miss Moore will no doubt help, but I would also like to invite parents to a briefing session on Tuesday 17th January at 3.15pm in Kiberick 2 classroom and will finish at the same time as Miss Moore's teaching group (4.00pm). This will give me the opportunity to speak to you about the tests and our preparation for them, and to discuss what parents can do to help. I will also try to answer any questions you might have. Younger siblings are welcome to attend if this makes it easier for you, we can find an ipad or book to entertain them!

I look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday.



We need twigs!

Can anyone help with donations of twigs – long and short, for our little pigs in Carne class!? Please leave with Mrs Greenaway or at the school office.

Thank you

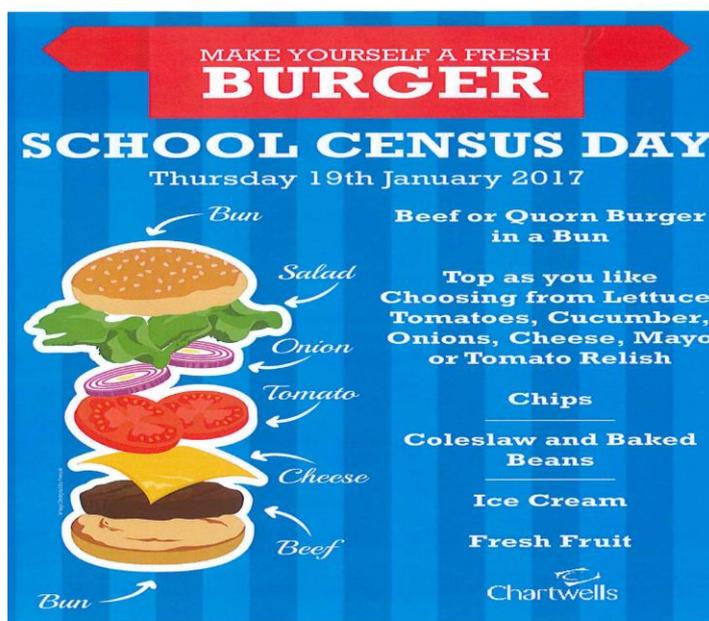


School Applications

If your child was born between 1 September 2012 and 31 August 2013, you will need to apply for a school place for September 2017. **The deadline for applications is Sunday 15th January 2017.** The outcome of applications made by 15 January 2017 will be sent out on the National Offer Day of **18 April 2017.**

Full application details are available for parents on this site:

<http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/school-admissions/>



If your child would like to have the special census day menu please visit Parentpay and book your child's choice as usual. There will be no school packed lunches available on the census day menu.

13th-17th February – Half term

21st February – Carne trip to Tesco

(letters sent home with more details closer to the time)

23rd February – Pendower trip to Tesco

(letters sent home with more details closer to the time)

16th March – Carne class trip to Truro Fire Station.

(letters sent home with more details closer to the time)

23rd March – Open Afternoon – the immersive curriculum

29th – 31st March – Year 5 Residential to London

31st March – Last day of term

27th June - Year 6 transition day to The Roseland followed by parents' evening at The Roseland at 6.30pm



Our focus this week has been on 'attitudes and perseverance'

Our student of the week for:

Kiberick class – Ruan Flack

Pendower class – William Wilson

Carne class – Sam Taylor



Our **Achiever Awards** this week go to:

Kiberick class – Phoebe Emmett & Kayleigh Vincent

Pendower class – Toria Vincent & Ellie Lobb

Carne class – Noah and Isaac White-Tiller



Our lunchtime award goes to: Daraka Smith, Archie and Bonnie Tullett who all set a really good example everyday for the other children.

Electronic Newsletter

If you would like our weekly newsletter emailed to you, we would **love** to send it to you!

Please email your request to

vrsecretary@stpiranscross.co.uk



Spring term dates dates for your diary...

17th January – Year 6 parent SAT briefing session. Kiberick

2. 3:15pm-4.00pm

23rd January – Veryan Parent forum 6pm Kiberick2

2nd February – Carne class trip to Pizza Express (letters sent home with more details closer to the time)

3rd February – MAT School Council conference – The immersive curriculum, sharing our learning.

10th February – Non-uniform day in aid of 'Headway'





After School Clubs started this week - thank you to everyone who has made their bookings already.

If you have tried to book a club and have been put on the waiting list this means that unfortunately your child has been unsuccessful in securing a place at that club for this term. However, Mrs Allan will check on a daily basis against the registers for any children who have cancelled or are absent and will offer the place(s) to any children on the waiting list.

*Please note that the last after school clubs will be in the week ending the **24th March NOT the 31st March** as previously advertised.*

Clubs should be booked in advance on www.veryan.parentseveningsystem.co.uk

Monday - No club

Tuesday – Fun SATs Club

(All year 6 children are expected to attend this fun and exciting SATs preparation led by Miss Moore)

Wednesday – ‘Wake and Shake’

(Music and dance with Mrs Greenaway)

Thursday – ‘Make and Do’

(Crafts with Mrs Hayes)

Friday – Friday Club

(Lead by Year 6 children, Mrs Hawkins and Mrs Hocking.)



Mrs Green is in school on Thursday afternoons leading a group of recorders and flute lessons. If your child would like to attend (particularly Pendower children who took part in lesson last term) please inform the school office and visit

www.cornwallmusicstrust.org/signup/ to register.

The cost per child is reduced depending on the size of the group taught and Mrs Green will ensure each child is taught at their own level and pace.



School Teams

Mrs Greenaway has been working hard to organise the school teams to incorporate new pupils into the school and address the imbalance of ages and abilities.

The school teams are as follows:

White – Crohans

Eddie Brickell	Sam Taylor
Eve Riley	Toria Vincent
Chloe Taylor	William Etches
Talan Spears	Ellie Kendall
Kayleigh Vincent	Leo Slater
William Wilson	Annie Cracknell
William Kendall	Ben Duce

Green – Treviskey

Lydia Crawford	Merryn Edwards
Izzy Wheeler	Caleb Kendle
Phoebe Emmett	Freddie Watson
Jemima Hetherington	Sylvie Trounce
Thomas Edwards	Charlie Green
Charlie Wheeler	Jasmine Burley
Rose Kendle	Florence Trounce
Teddy Stephens	

Red-Ruan

Dom Leach	Ellie Lobb
Alfie Young	Evie Lobb
Alfie Bristow	Oliver Oldham
Ben Taylor	Elowen Flack
Daraka Smith	Lottie Beetham
Ysella Young	Ruan Flack
Rory Beetham	Aliyah Bristow

Blue – Portholland

Hebby Shreck	Bonnie Tullett
Evie Hepworth	Red Shreck
Toby Williams	Henry Bedford
Chloe Hick	Isaac White-Tiller
Archie Tullett	Noah White-Tiller
Elijah Rylance-Riddle	Rosie Bullen
Amy Bullen	Ruby Wilson

Mrs Greenaway has kept siblings in the same teams in order that parents/carers can support one team at the school sports day. If your child has moved group please be reassured that this was done after discussion with your child and do not feel the need to buy a new coloured t-shirt until they have outgrown their old one!

Coram Children's Legal Centre's Child Law Advice Service has launched a new website which helps children and young people **age 10-21** find out about their legal rights.

Called www.lawstuff.org.uk and funded by The Queen's Trust, the website provides information about children's rights in the following areas:

- Police and Law
- Children's Services
- Education
- Not from the UK
- Home and Family
- At what age can I
- Abuse and bullying
- Sex health and drugs
- My rights
- Online safety

LawStuff.org has been designed to enable visitors to find out their legal rights in a way which is easy to navigate and understand. For optimum accessibility a pop up glossary has also been added to the website to help explain complex legal terms.

The website also hosts the popular publication *At what age can I?* Here, young people can find out what activities they can do at certain ages such as, "when can I learn to drive?", "when can I babysit?" and "when can I leave home?"

Young people who have specific enquiries which are not covered on the site can contact the Child Law Advice Service details of which can be found at www.childlawadvice.org.uk.

Probus School Kid's Club - February 2017 Half Term

We offer a variety of indoor and outdoor activities including field time, fun on the pool table, Wii games, karaoke machine, football table, air hockey table, construction, Hama beads and role play. Art and craft (including junk modelling) is always available. Children are encouraged to play outside whatever the weather so please ensure your child brings a coat and sensible shoes.

**To book a place at the Holiday Club –
telephone Diane or Julie on
07530406598, during Club hours on
01726 882647 or email the club at
kidsclub@probusschool.org.uk**

