



# Vernan CofE Primary

## School News



Friday 11th December

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### Message from Ms Jarrett

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can hardly believe that this is the last newsletter of 2020. It has certainly been the most turbulent year we have ever experienced in schools, yet we have managed to pull through. This would not have been possible without the hard work and dedication of all our staff, the wonderful and resilient children we are so lucky to have in our school and, last but not least, the continual support and cooperation that you have given us.

The class bubbles have been busily organising Christmas performances and festivities whilst keeping things safe. All classes have been busy rehearsing for our school productions and, although there will not be any live performances this year, we're excited to announce plans on how you can watch a recorded digital version. We are unable to share some of the videos, due to the larger file size via ClassDojo or the school website, so these will be uploaded via the video sharing platform YouTube. The videos will be listed as 'private' meaning they do not appear in video recommendations or search results and will only be accessible through a direct link that cannot be shared. You will be notified by text when the videos are uploaded and 'live' and they will be removed on Monday 4th January. Please see box below for more details about this.

I hope you enjoy the various performances that will be shared with you over the coming weeks and that you all have a wonderful, restful Christmas and New year break.

We look forward to welcoming the children back on January 4th 2021.

With all my very best wishes,  
Caroline Jarrett

### Parents 4 Parents Cornwall

**Are you a parent/carer of a child with additional needs or disabilities?**  
**Do you attend meetings with schools, health services and organisations?**  
**Do you lack confidence in attending these on your own and wish you had someone who could go with you?**

Parents 4 Parents Cornwall will accompany you to important meetings, empowering you to ask the questions about your child's needs whether at schools, health, care providers, short breaks, etc.

Parents are trained in

- Understanding and supporting your needs
- Developing Education, Health and Care Plans
- Signposting

They are part of the Parent Carer Council for Cornwall, an independent organisation that enables parent carer voices to be heard through parent participation.

You can access Parents 4 Parents Cornwall and book a trained parent to accompany you to a meeting by calling **07591 019548**

Please try to give at least 10 days notice of a meeting taking place where you require support. You must have all of the details of the meeting to hand.

You will receive a confirmation of who will be accompanying you and they will meet you at the location of your meeting.

Please note trained parent supporters cannot take you to the meetings and you will need to organise your own transport.

**To book support contact 07591 019548**  
**info@parentcarercornwall@gmail.com**



### Christmas productions.

As mentioned above, filming for the Christmas productions will soon begin, and to allow us to share the large file sizes we have created a private YouTube account. This means that only those who receive a direct email invitation will be able to watch the video, it cannot be shared or viewed by others who have not had the specific email invitation. It does not appear in video recommendations or search results.

If you do NOT want your child to be filmed please complete the online form following the link below by Friday 11th December:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?>

**Free School Meal vouchers**—families eligible for free school meals should have received an email outlining the vouchers for the Christmas holidays. Please check you inbox/junk folders. Contact the school office if any problems.

[https://open.spotify.com/episode/3w3A5oh8Z2tXJsmTvjU0Lf?fbclid=IwAR39j4nxQjQI\\_4AqAsxvLKPXrik0\\_fzCTuTLJeCe3pHDBL\\_ANZid6Hadr\\_w](https://open.spotify.com/episode/3w3A5oh8Z2tXJsmTvjU0Lf?fbclid=IwAR39j4nxQjQI_4AqAsxvLKPXrik0_fzCTuTLJeCe3pHDBL_ANZid6Hadr_w)



Together for families—click the link above to sign up to the podcast.

# Funky Friday Club

**This week we will be making Christmas cards, as well as having all our usual refreshments on offer.**

**Next week will enjoy a Christmas film and popcorn.**

**To help us ensure that everyone is included when they want to attend, and ensure fairness to all, please can we ask that Friday subs are paid by 8.30am Friday at the very latest.**

**Thank you, from the Year 6s**



Each week, in our Friday collective worship we will celebrate the achievements of each class by hearing about something the class have done together well as a group.

This week our class celebration awards go to:

**Kiberick** - for continually being creative, hardworking and team players.

**Pendower** - for some really inspiring and thoughtful reflections about the way in which Christians follow God.

**Carne**— for being fantastic fun as well as being extremely grown up at the beach this week.



Expected average attendance for a child is 96.1%

Our whole school attendance last week was: **98.89%**

Well done to **Carne and Pendower** you were our attendance heroes, both with

**100%**

last week! Amazing!

Kiberick class—97.22%

## Attendance Ladder

How close are you to reaching the top?



Don't forget all Christmas cards have to be posted in the school post-box by **Friday 11th December**





Pendower class

In our RE week we are considering what it is like to follow God.



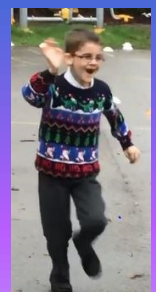
We began our discussions by thinking about Noah and what Noah did to show that he followed God.

We finished our session making a rainbow, like the one God sent to Noah, out of materials in the field.

The children came up with some 'hot seat' questions that they would ask the people and animals from the story of Noah's Ark. You could ask your child what they would ask



Pendower have also been busy making planes, boats and trains in preparation for their nativity, getting covered in paint!



On Thursday morning we did a Santa run!



## Carne Class



As usual Carne Class have been up to all sorts of things this week and always with huge smiles, laughter and enthusiasm.

Here are just a few photos from PE, making and posting Christmas cards ready for delivery next week and the first of the 'beach school' trips.

An extra special treat for the first week - toasting marshmallows on an open fire. Yummy!







Kiberick harvested some of the fallen branches at the Wild Tribe Field and brought them back to school to create their own decorated trees.



Mr Webb helped us with our rehearsals for our Christmas productions.



They enjoyed their Santa Stomp around the village to set up their advent trail. Have you been to see how many you can find?



## TikTok Update Parental Controls with Family Pairing Feature (SWGfL)

TikTok is recommended for children aged 13 and over, although there is a section of the app for children under 13 that includes additional safety and privacy features. Use of the new Family Pairing feature allows parents to guide their child's TikTok experience in a safer way. Features include:

- Search: Decide what can be searched for. This includes content, users, hashtags, or sounds
- Screen Time Management: Sets how long your teen can spend on TikTok each day
- Discoverability: Decide on the account being private (you decide who can see their content) or public (anyone can search and view content)

To find out more information about TikTok's Family Pairing feature, go to: <https://swgfl.org.uk/magazine/tiktok-update-parental-controls-with-family-pairing-feature/>



### TikTok Update Parental Controls with Family Pairing Feature

The TikTok family pairing feature allows parents to link their accounts to their children's. Find out what features are available and how it can help keep young people safe on social media platforms.

[swgfl.org.uk](https://swgfl.org.uk)

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### Veryan Church Diaries

Our Church has diaries for sale at a suggested price of £1.00



All the money goes to the Church funds, which are much needed this year! These could make ideal little gifts or could be sent within a card?

If you would like to order a diary please send your donation in a labelled, sealed envelope to school by **9am Tuesday 15th December**. We will arrange for these to be delivered and stored for 72 hours before sending home at the end of term.

### Autumn term2/Spring dates

16th Dec

School Christmas lunch (in bubbles) wear your festive outfits/jumpers!

18th Dec

Last day of term

Monday 4th Jan

New term begins