

Veryan CofE Primary

School News

Supporting one another in learning and life.

Nurture Engage Thrive



Veryan, Truro, Cornwall, TR2 5QA

veryan.secretary@celticcross.education

01872 501431

www.veryanschool.co.uk

Friday 30th April

Message from Ms Jarrett

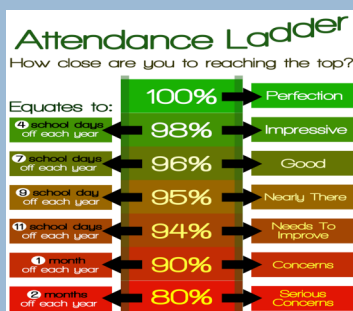
I can't believe we are already nearing the end of our second week into the summer term. We have had a full week of activities and we are really proud of the levels of engagement we have seen from the children. The children's manners and respectful behaviour towards our visitors delivering sport has been fantastic and Mrs Cartwright was delighted with the behaviour and the success of the first sailing trip on Tuesday, see page 2!

Don't forget to keep checking your child's Class Dojo account and for photos and messages from your class teacher.

You will see we have added lots of new dates to the calendar. Please keep an eye on this section for further updates and additions through the term. I hope you all have a lovely Bank Holiday weekend—there might even be some chance of sunshine!

With very best wishes, Caroline Jarrett

The DfE's guidance states that school attendance will be "mandatory for all pupils from March 8".



The usual rules on attendance will apply, including parents' legal duty to secure their child's attendance at school.

The ability to issue sanctions such as fines will also be reinstated, and schools will be responsible for recording attendance, following up absence and "reporting children missing education to the local authority".



Expected average attendance for a child is 96.1%. Our attendance for the last week of term was:

Carne: 100% Pendower: 97.78% Kiberick: 98.95%

Congratulations Carne you were our attendance heroes this week.

WOW 100%!! Fantastic!

Tick awareness

As the weather warms up and we are visiting outdoor spaces in trainers and summer clothing, we need to make sure the children are protected from tick bites. Some of the children will have talked about this in their class, but please take a moment to look at the information on the links below on ways to prevent, check for and safely remove Ticks. As well as steps to take and what to look for if your child does receive a Tick bite.



<https://publichealthmatters.blog.gov.uk/2014/03/24/tips-and-tricks-to-stay-safe-from-ticks/>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/lyme-disease/>

In school we will encourage the children to pull socks up & tuck trousers into socks where possible, to be aware of what these critters are and to seek help from an adult if they find one on themselves.



There is nothing, absolutely nothing
half so much worth doing
as simply messing about in boats.

Kenneth Graham
Wind in The Willows



A fantastic first sailing
lesson!

Thank you to Mr Parr
for helping to super-
vise & The Roseland
Paddle and Sail Trust
for the opportunity!



"Had a great morning watching fantastic kids
learning to sail. All smiles. Not a cross word or complaint from any
of them. Brilliant." J.Parr Volunteer

Proud moment...

Hello Mrs Cartwright

I just wanted to let you know how impressed I was with the group of Kiberick children who helped with my PE lesson today. Not only were they a huge help to me, but they praised and encouraged the Pendower children, whilst giving them tips on how to improve their tennis skills in the context of the game that we were playing (I hadn't specifically asked them to do this.). They made every one of my children feel that they had been successful, and I am really grateful for their help. I felt compelled to email you and share this news.

Thanks

Miss Blayney



This is our little 'crafty' section of the newsletter for the whole school. We want to celebrate and share the arts and crafts that the children have been doing both in school and at home. Please share with your class teacher or email veryan.secretary@celticcross.education if you have got anything you'd like to share.

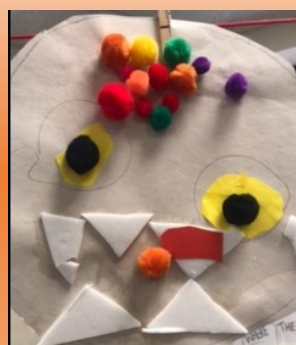
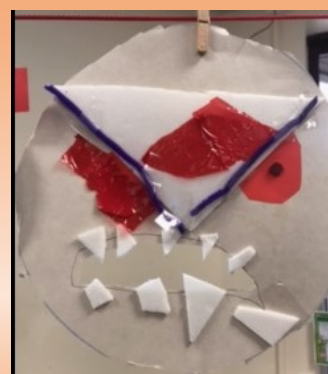
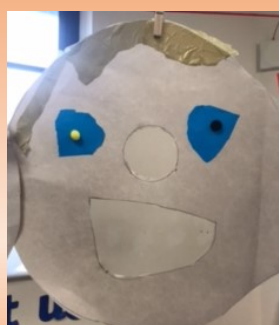
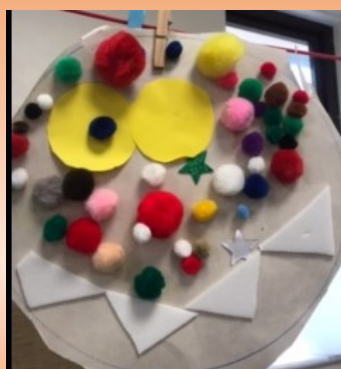
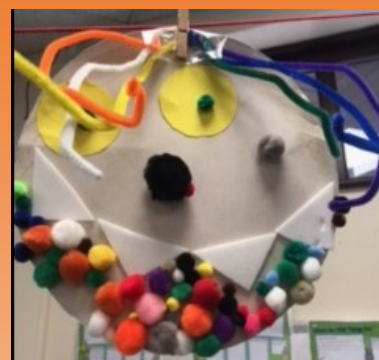
Pendower used resources at the Wild Tribe Field for their maths lesson this week—can you work out what fractions the children were trying to represent in these photographs?



"An ocean tumbled by with a private boat for Max and he sailed off through night and day and in and out of weeks and almost over a year to where the wild things are" (Where The Wild Things Are, Maurice Sendak)



Carne made some incredible puppets for their story telling of Where The Wild Things Are!



"....and they roared their terrible roars and they gnashed their terrible teeth..."

FOR VERYAN NEWSLETTER:

At the beginning of this new term, I would just like to take this opportunity to thank Ms Jarrett and all of the amazing staff team at Veryan for all of their hard work and dedication to make learning possible during a very challenging spring term.

As you might remember, schools were back for one day after the Christmas holidays when another lockdown was announced that evening with immediate effect. Despite being given no notice, the staff were prepared and ready the next morning to provide on-site education for key worker children with remote learning resources provided for all other pupils at home. This situation of course lasted until the middle of March. To keep both of these learning strategies running concurrently and smoothly with staff unable to meet together except electronically was a very demanding situation, but one in which the staff team in Veryan deserve a great deal of credit in rising to the challenge.

Great thanks and appreciation as well go to the parents for enabling learning to be possible at home, and of course to the children for engaging with learning once again in such unusual circumstances. I had two children at home myself through lockdown and I know some of the challenges of the isolation that so many children felt through this time. Parents, you have done a wonderful job at helping to motivate and support your children through these difficult times.

It was great that all children were able to return to school from the middle of March. I know how important that children's well-being is to the staff at Veryan, and it's been great to hear how happy children have been returning to the school environment.

Thankfully the Covid 19 situation in this country has improved a great deal in the last couple of months, although it's much too early to be complacent. Let's sincerely hope there will be no further need of another lockdown and we can continue as a school learning together on one site. Of course, there will be further challenges to education as this global situation continues to evolve. I am confident though, that whatever circumstances may bring, the Veryan school community will once again rise to the challenge.

Andrew Nicholson

Veryan and Ladock School Monitoring Council Chair

Cornwall Music Education Hub

FREE 6 WEEK ONLINE MUSIC PRODUCTION BEGINNER COURSE

STARTING ON MONDAY 10th MAY 2021
4PM - 5PM Via ZOOM REMOTE CLASSROOM
OPEN TO ALL 8-11 YEAR OLD STUDENTS

Supported using public funding by



ARTS COUNCIL
ENGLAND



5K IN A DAY
SUPERHERO CHALLENGE
for
Cornwall Air Ambulance
Your charity, saving lives

Saving lives is a team effort - can you run, skip, walk or cycle 5k for Cornwall Air Ambulance?

Saturday 5 - Sunday 6 June 2021

REGISTER NOW FOR FREE
cornwallairambulancetrust.org/superhero-challenge

Calendar dates: Summer term



May

3rd—Bank Holiday Monday. School Closed

4th—25th—Sailing. Percuil Kiberick group

5th—Pendower and Carne class Cornish Pirates rugby sessions

12th—24th (Wednesdays) Kiberick class Cornish Pirates rugby sessions

24th—RE week

20th - School Census day. Special Caterlink menu

28th—Last day of term

June

7th—New term begins

8th(-13th July) - Kiberick Class Bell Dance Academy with Miss Katie

11th—Inset day. School closed

22nd—Sports Day practise

29th—Sports Day. Provisional date. More details to follow.

July

1st—Roseland Academy Welcome Day

13th—Veryan production in the Wild Tribe Field. Provisional date. More details to follow

14th—Kiberick surfing day

21st—Leaver's celebration

22nd—Festival. More details to follow

23rd—Last day of term

Clubs will begin the week beginning 26th April and will have to remain with school bubbles.

All clubs will finish at 4:15pm (with the exception of Friyay Club, which takes place during the school day).

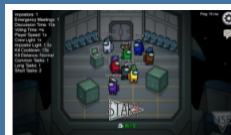
Visit: <https://veryan.schoolcloud.co.uk/> to make your child's booking.

Safeguarding at Veryan

Our pupil's safety and wellbeing is paramount; you will have seen that in most editions of the newsletter we have included parent information about online safety as this is now such a huge part of the children's learning and leisure time.

In addition to the pages at the end of this newsletter we would also like to draw your attention to a helpful website (link below) Common Sense Media

<https://www.common sense media.org/game-reviews/among-us>



Among Us Game Review - Common Sense Media

AMONG US is a betrayal-based party game set in space with a group of four to 10 explorers. As crewmates, you're given different tasks to handle on your ship.

www.common sense media.org

The link above is specifically to 'Among Us' as we are aware that some of our pupils are using this, however the website has many parent guides to specific games/apps etc and age groups of children and may be helpful to parents and carers trying to gauge whether something is appropriate for your child.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Carne—Mindfulness Club Open to all of Carne Miss Goodall	Kiberick —Team games 15 pupils max Mr Webb	No clubs staff meetings	Kiberick—Science club Open to all of Kiberick Mrs Cartwright	Friyay Club in school time Open to whole school within bubbles. £1 subs Year 6 organised
Pendower—Mindfulness Club Open to all of Pendower Miss Blayney				



Census Day—Special menu



On **Thursday 20th May** there is a special menu in honour of school census day:

Pasty, chips and beans

Or

Cheese and onion pasty, chips and beans

(Gluten free menu option: Gluten free sausage)

Or the usual packed lunch and jacket potato options will be available as usual.

If you already ordered a meal prior to **Friday 30th April** this will have been deleted by Parentpay when the amendment was made on the menu options and so will need to be re-booked with the new choices.

What is Census Day?

Census Day is when Local Authorities collect information electronically from every school in their area. This is, in part, to guide them in planning and funding. The LA collect details such as pupil numbers, numbers of pupils with Special Educational Needs, those entitled to Pupil Premium funding, those entitled to Free School Meals (FSM), attendance information and so forth.

Why is it important? Do I need to do anything?

To maximise our school's potential funding, we would encourage all families with children entitled to FSM to order their free meal on Thursday 20th May. It is the number of children in Early Years and Key Stage 1 eating the free meal on the actual day's lunchtime that informs the funding, rather than all meals ordered for that day or children attending school. Pupils who bring a packed lunch from home unfortunately are not included, nor are children who normally take Universal Infant Free School Meals, that are absent on 20th May.

We would encourage as many children as possible to commit to eating their FSM on 20th May; this will record those children as having eaten on Census Day and therefore count towards the total Government funding allocated to our school for UIFSM for a whole year. Hopefully, it will also encourage any children who don't normally take the meals to join us for lunch and lead to more of them eating over the rest of the school year!

But my child is eligible for Universal Free School Meals, so it doesn't matter if I don't apply for Free School Meals.....

All Key Stage 1 (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) children get free school meals, regardless of what benefits are being claimed. This is part of the Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM) initiative.

Some of these children might be able to get benefits-related Free School Meals. Children in this group are also eligible for pupil premium. This is funding paid to the school to support your child in their learning. **It is important to apply for benefits-related Free School Meals if you think you fit this criteria.**

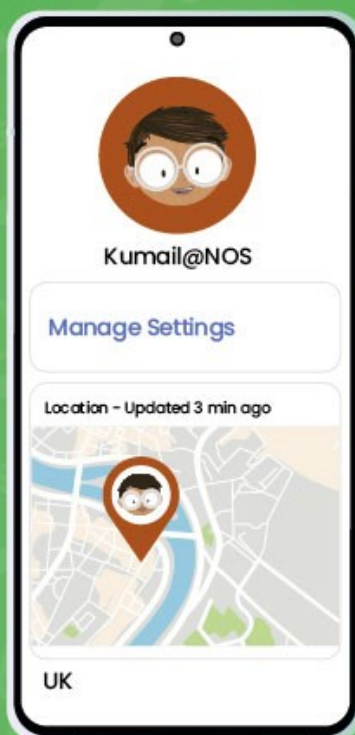
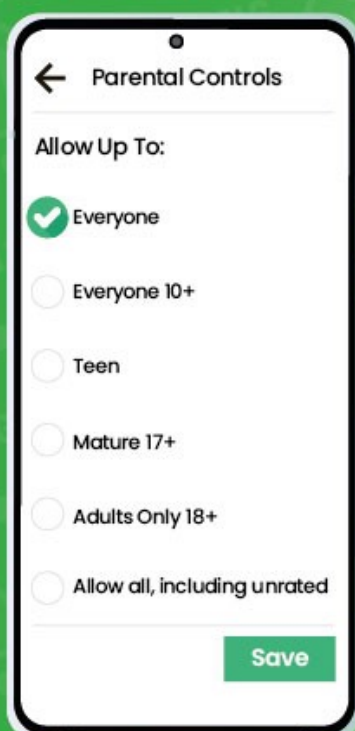
Click on the link below to visit the Cornwall Council Free School Meal eligibility criteria and application form.

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schools-and-education/schools-and-colleges/school-meals/>

How to Set up PARENTAL CONTROLS to limit age-inappropriate CONTENT Android Phone



The settings on an Android device allow you to prescribe certain rules for when your child is using it. For example, you can block specific types of content to reduce the risk of your child being exposed to age-inappropriate material (music with explicit lyrics, for instance, and games, TV shows or movies that are unsuitable for young people). There are two ways to access parental controls on an Android phone: through Google Play or via the Google Family Link app. You can also lock your changes behind a PIN, so your child (or anyone else) can't change them back.



Set up parental controls with Google Family Link

- 1 On your phone, install Google Family Link for Parents
- 2 Tap Open and review the information
- 3 Tap Get Started
- 4 Tap Next to set up your child's device
- 5 On your child's phone, download Google Family Link for Children & Teens and enter the Family Link setup code provided
- 6 On your phone, open the Family Link app
- 7 Tap your child's name
- 8 Tap Manage Settings
- 9 Tap Controls on Google Play
- 10 Tap the content you would like to restrict
- 11 Choose how to filter or restrict access

Set up parental controls with Google Play

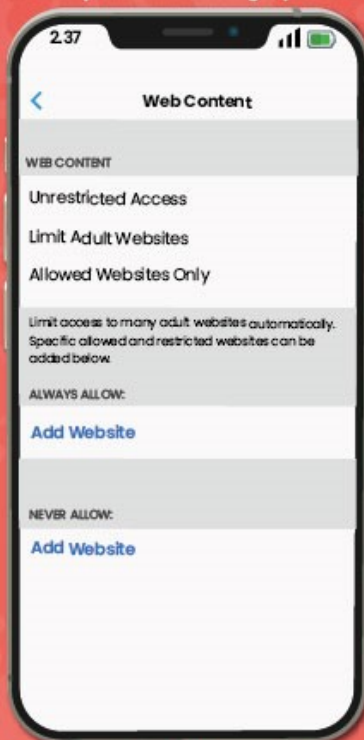
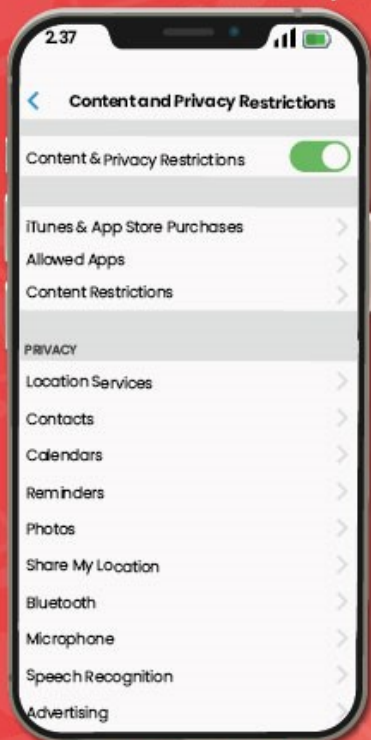
- 1 Open the Play Store app
- 2 Tap Menu (represented by three horizontal lines)
- 3 Tap Settings
- 4 Tap Parental Controls
- 4 Enable Parental Controls
- 4 Create Pin
- 4 Tap the content you would like to restrict
- 4 Choose how to filter or restrict access



How to Set up PARENTAL CONTROLS to limit age-inappropriate CONTENT iPhone



The parental controls on iPhones allow you to block or restrict certain apps, features, content, downloads, or purchases. Setting limitations on content ratings, Siri and web searches enables you to filter out age-inappropriate content and vastly reduce the likelihood of your children being exposed to unsuitable material and information.



18+ Set up content rating restrictions

Content filters keep your child from viewing unsuitable material. They block apps, films and TV shows with specific age ratings, and music and podcasts with explicit content.

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Enable Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap Content Restrictions
- 5 Choose the Settings for each feature you wish to restrict



Set up web restrictions

Website content filters restrict age-inappropriate content on Safari. You can also blacklist certain websites or allow access only to approved sites.

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap Content Restrictions
- 4 Tap Web Content
- 5 Choose between Unrestricted Access, Limit Adult Websites and Allowed Websites Only
- 7 Choose which websites you wish to allow/block

Set up Siri web search restrictions

You can screen out explicit language to avoid Siri displaying inappropriate results. You could also disable Siri entirely, so your child can't use it to search the web.

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap Content Restrictions
- 5 Scroll Down to Siri
- 6 Choose to block either or both Web Search Content and Explicit Language