

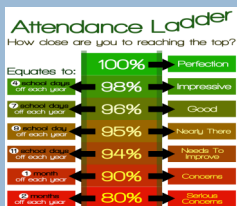


Vernan Primary School News

Vernan, Truro, Cornwall, TR2 5QA



Friday 3rd April 2019



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

Carne: 98.3% Pendower: 96.3% Kiberick: 95.92%

Congratulations **Carne** you are our attendance heroes this week.



Message from Mrs Jarrett:

I can't believe I'm writing a message in the newsletter again already—how quickly that week went! I just wanted to mention that, where possible, we will put in the newsletter each week the dates that I will be in school for the coming week. Next week I intend to be at Vernan all day Wednesday 8th May and all day Friday 10th May. Naturally, there are occasions when things may crop up and I may have to adjust my week accordingly to fit other meetings and commitments in, but rest assured that I will be available to meet with parents and make myself available as much as possible. My intention is to be in Vernan school on a regular pattern of all day Tuesday and Thursday and a Friday morning.

If you need to make an appointment I will be happy to meet with you and these can be made via the school office on 01872 501431 or veryan.secretary@celticcross.education

I am also happy to talk to parents and carers and address concerns over the phone if I am unable to be in school to meet with you in person. Please contact the school office or Miss Goodall in the first instance and they can pass on your details so that I can arrange a time to speak to you.

Thank you for your ongoing support

A new menu has been added for school census day on 16th May. If you pre-selected your child's meal prior to Monday 29th April you will need to revisit and make a new choice under the new menu.



What is school census day?

Census Day is when the 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.

To maximise our potential funding, we would encourage all families with children entitled to FSM to enjoy their free meal on Thursday 16th May, rather than bringing a packed lunch that day. 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 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 16th May.

Once again, we encourage as many children as possible to commit to eating their FSM on Thursday 16th 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!

What is the menu?

The children will be given a cheese and tomato pizza base and will be able to help themselves from a selection of toppings to create their own pizzas. Including sausage, tuna, sweetcorn, peppers and beef. They will also have the usual salad bar, as well as chips and baked beans.

Dessert will be a choice of ice cream or fresh fruit.

Kiberick class—The children in Kiberick class will be sharing their board games with their parents and carers after collective worship in the church on Friday 3rd May. There will also be biscuits available to purchase to help towards the year 6 funds. We hope you can make it and share in the children's hard work.



Carne class: William for great recall of adding and subtracting 10's from 100 during carpet time.

Pendower class: Ellie L for her perseverance and challenging herself in maths.

Kiberick class: Amy for showing courage and determination to face her fears and succeed.



The Red Box Project

In our March 29th newsletter we explained that we have signed up to the Red Box Project.

We are still going to be providing this service in school and encourage parents to talk to their children at home about the availability of products should they need them. However, we have decided that posters will not be displayed in the toilets and that the information will be shared with the year 5 and 6 children as part of their sex and relationships education programme which will be delivered this term.

Letters explaining the sex and education programme will be sent home in advance of any lessons.

Do you have any old blankets or throws that you no longer use?

Our blankets have had to be thrown away and we would love to recycle any that are no longer in use for picnic lunches, snuggling in book corners or for getting cosy outside for quieter outdoor play activities.

Please hand into the school office. Thank you



Summer dates for your diary

Monday 6th May

- Bank Holiday—school closed

Tuesday 7th May

- No football after school club.
- Bikeability— CANCELLED. Miss Danks & Mr Peters will lead an activity in the village hall until 4pm

Wednesday 8th May

- Ms Jarrett in school all day

Friday 10th July

- Ms Jarrett in school all day
- Quad Kids Year 3 & 4—To be confirmed (individual letters to come home) Par Race track 10am

Monday 13th May

- Year 6 SATs week
- Year 6 children invited to breakfast from 8:35am in Kiberick 2 class. Individual letters to come home after SATs club.

Thursday 16th May

- School Census Day

Friday 17th May

- Open the Book in collective worship
- Year 6. 6-a-side Football match. Vryan v St Mawes. (individual letters to come home)
- No Friday Funhouse today

Thursday 23rd May

- Year 6 sailing begins. Percuil Paddle and Sail (23rd May— 11th July inclusive) Details to follow.

Friday 7th June

- Inset Day—school closed (Royal Cornwall Show)

Tuesday 11th June

- NSPCC 'Speak Out' assembly—more details to follow

Friday 14th June

- Open the Book in collective worship

Wednesday 16th June

- Year 5 transition taster day at The Roseland Academy (letters to come home)

Tuesday 25th June

Provisional date for Vryan sports day (back up date Tuesday 9th July)

Thursday 27th June-Friday 28th June

- Year 5&6 Eden Residential

Keep an eye on this section as there are more events and activities added through the term!



After School Club 'Friday Funhouse'

Our Friday Funhouse will be sports activities outside this week (weather permitting) Or some construction activities inside if the weather is not so good.

Please remember your weekly subs (20p) and spending money for refreshments if required.

Veryan Sports News

Dodgeball festival—winners!!!



Congratulations to our dodgeball team who took part in the festival at The Roseland Academy on Wednesday afternoon. Sam, Archie, Chloe, Charlie, Phoebe, Rose M, Kayleigh, Jacob, Daraka and Talan, played some fantastic games and came away with a trophy. This will be presented in collective worship next week.

Well done to the whole team!!

Now open to Year 2!! Alternative Sports—Wednesday 3:15-4:15 pm village hall after school club



We still have some spaces available in this club. Maximum number of children will be 15 and is on a first come, first served basis. Bookings have re-opened on the online system at:

www.veryan.parentseveningsystem.co.uk and payment can be made on your parentpay account. Full payment is required in advance and is £2 per session per child, which will equate to £18 for the rest of this term. (Please note: refunds are not available for non-attendance)



Alternative sports offers the opportunity to take part in a variety of different sporting activities that the children may otherwise not participate in, for example nerf gun wars and archery. They will need to wear their PE kit and it will take place in either the village hall or school playground depending on the weather and the activity involved.



'Have a Go Days'

Free to attend. A fun and friendly activity for children with additional needs or disability and their siblings or friends, aged 6-18

Friday 31 May, 10am-12pm
Cornwall College Camborne,
Trevenson Road, TR15 3RD
(Astro pitch / Sport Hall)

Friday 31 May, 2pm-4pm
Bodmin Leisure Centre
Lostwithiel Road, Bodmin
PL31 1DE

Booking is essential. For more information and to book your free place(s) contact Katie on 01736 759500 or email katie@disabilitycornwall.org.uk. Find us on Facebook by searching "Have a Go Days Cornwall".



We love to make the most of extra curricular activities and sporting events and as a small school we are often reliant on the generosity of parents in helping to transport children to and from these activities. We are very grateful for all the help we receive and thank you for your ongoing support.

If you are able to give up some of your time to help transport our children and have business insurance on your vehicle, are willing to have a DBS check and complete a simple form please ask at the school office for the relevant information.