

# Veryan CofE Primary School News

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# Message from Ms Jarrett

Welcome back everyone, I sincerely hope you all had a lovely Easter and restful end of term break?

We got off to a flying start on Monday, and it's been lovely to hear the children's tales of chocolate adventures and holiday fun from the past few weeks! Back at school, we have plenty of things to look forward to in summer term 1. We have Katie Bell Dance Academy starting with us, sailing, after school clubs, music lessons, and plenty of outdoor learning. You can see in this edition of the newsletter that some of our activities are already underway; Carne and Pendower enjoyed their first rugby session with Cornish Pirates on Wednesday afternoon and it proved a great success. Kiberick class will also be taking part in these later this half term and we look forward to hearing how this year's rugby festival will come together to celebrate all they have achieved in these sessions.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who have attended, or have booked to attend, the parent-teacher consultations via the new online system. The teachers have found this a really positive experience so far and we hope that you found it easy to navigate and it has been helpful for you to know how your child/ren are getting on in school and their next steps. This is certainly a new way of working that we can embrace as another form of communication between home and school.

Well done to everyone on a great start to a new term. I hope you all have a super weekend.

Caroline Jarrett

The DfE's guidance states that school attendance will be "mandatory for all pupils from Adder 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:

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Carne: 97.8% Pendower: 98.61% Kiberick: 89.38%

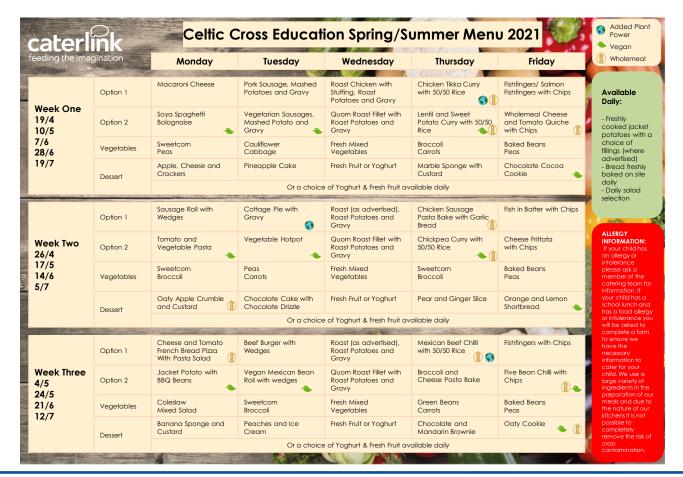
Congratulations **Pendower** you were our attendance heroes this week.

In response to consumer feedback, Caterlink have removed the chicken and sweetcorn pie from their menu (week3) and replaced it with burger in a bun and wedges.

caterlink feeding the imagination

Please be advised that any orders placed before the change on Monday will have been cancelled and will need to be re-ordered from the updated menu on Parentpay.

Apologies for any inconvenience. We hope the children like the new option!



# Carrick Spring Term Online Virtual Parenting Programs. April - July 2021

# Being Passionate About Parenting with Spectrum Awareness 5-11yrs

A 3 week workshop for Parents / Carers of young people aged 5 to 11 years (primary up to year 6). It is an introduction to some top tips and strategies and incorporates golden threads from our other Parenting programs. It is an introduction to positive behaviour management that often gives those who attend confidence to engage with other support on offer. The elements which are about the Spectrum includes:- Fact and Fiction about the Spectrum, looking at definitions/challenges and strategies to support your young person, sensory challenges, basic social scripts to support situations that may be difficult to understand, the use of language to support positive communication, and to understand behaviours from your young person's point of view.

Wednesday	1.00-2.30pm	21st April	28 <sup>th</sup> April	5 <sup>th</sup> May	online
Monday	6.30 -8.30pm	7 <sup>th</sup> June	14 <sup>th</sup> June	21st June	online

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Tuesday							
Wednesday	9.30 -12.30	7 <sup>th</sup> July	14 <sup>th</sup> July		Falmouth		

# Being Passionate About Parenting Early Years 1-3 yrs (3 weeks)

A 3 week workshop for Parents / Carers of children aged 1 to 3 years (pre reception). It is an introduction to strategies and incorporates golden threads from our other Parenting programs. The aims include: - To build relationships with our toddlers. To develop top tips for positive behavior management. To give support and confidence to Parents / Carers Topics in this workshop include: - child led play, special time, praise, limited choices use of language, routines etc

Wednesday	10.00-11.30	12th May	19th May	26 <sup>th</sup> May	online
Tuesday	10.00-11.30	29 <sup>th</sup> June	6 <sup>th</sup> July	13th July	online

# How to book:

Please contact the Early Help Hub if you would like to book on any of the courses,

# https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/earlyhelp

or call 01872 322277 where a member of the Early Help Team will be able to help.

# Incredible Years 6-11 (12 weeks)

12 week course - 2 hourly sessions. Promotion of child social competence, emotional regulation, positive attributions, academic readiness and problem solving. Improved parent/child interactions, building positive parent/child relationships and attachment, improved parental functioning, less harsh and more nurturing parenting, and increased parental social support and problem solving. Classroom management skills and teacher/parent partnerships.

		starts		ends
	9.30-11.30	22 <sup>nd</sup> April	No session half	15 <sup>th</sup> July
Wednesday			term week	

# SPRING INTO ACTION!

# Certificate of Excellence Awarded to:











at Veryan CofE Primary School

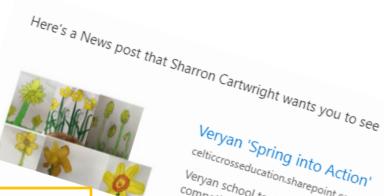








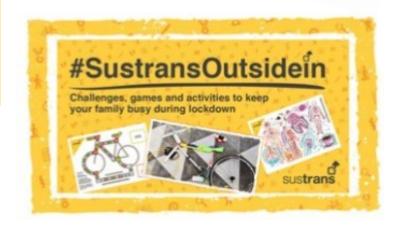
Thank you for taking part in our competition. We were very impressed with your entry – well done <sup>©</sup>

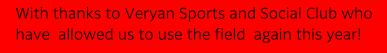


Last term we entered Kiberick Class' paintings and drawings of daffodils they had studied, into the Sustrans competition. Sadly, we did not win the competition this time, but we were awarded the certificate above and we were also on the Celtic Cross Education Sharepoint website so we were able to celebrate our achievement with the whole of our Trust.

Well done Kiberick, we've had some great comments about your work!

celticcrosseducation.sharepoint.com Veryan school took part in the Sustrans 'Spring into Action' Competition, Following Kiberick Class' ramble around the local village, they studied the flowers and wildlife they found, please see a selection of the pictures submitted below. What very ...











Carne and Pendower enjoyed their first Community Cornish Pirates rugby session with Lee this week.















Celebrate National
Walking Month by
signing up for the 10K
THIS MAY challenge for
Merlin MS Centre and
help support people
living with long-term
neurological conditions



Register here to take part. https://tinyurl.com/56t94y6u









# Some photos we didn't want to miss sharing from last term:

Drama is such an effective tool for bringing learning to life. Kiberick class role played very simple mini-dramas illustrating wise choices versus foolish choices. Then they recorded the dialogue in a narrative, learning how to punctuate this accurately.









....with Caleb.

"I got a Cajon kit for Christmas, a sit on drum kit in a

box! I had to build it by gluing the pieces together and screwing the snare on, I had to wait between each piece for it to dry. I then varnished it and researched how to play it. I liked learning to play along to the Wellerman song we performed at school. "

This is our little 'crafty' section of the newsletter—we want to celebrate and share the arts and crafts that the children have been doing both in school and at home. Please email

veryan.secretary@celticcross.education if you have got anything you'd like to share.





Calendar dates: Summer term

# **April**

27th—Kiberick class sailing. Percuil

28th—Pendower and Carne class Cornish Pirates rugby sessions

# May

3rd—Bank Holiday Monday. School Closed

6th—Pendower and Carne class Cornish Pirates rugby sessions

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

20th - School Census day. Special Caterlink menu

28th—Last day of term

# June

7th-New term begins

11th—Inset day. School closed

Mrs Warburton has an integrated dishwasher
— hardly used and in full working order free to
a good home. If you are interested please contact Hester Warburton for collection from
Veryan.

Does anyone have a pallet (or 3) to spare?

We would like to construct some attractive and handy stores for all our welly boots.

We would like to source 3 pallets that we can personalise and decorate for each class—so if you have some laying about that are still strong and hardy please would you contact Mrs Allan.



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On Friday you will receive a text when the online booking system is open for After School Club bookings.

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.

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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				real o organiseu				



# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about



Rec Room is a social hangout game, where users meet up with friends to explore and create rooms, each containing a different experience. One room might be a game of laser tag or dodgeball, while another could be a parkour course or virtual boxing. Available on iOS devices, PlayStation, Xbox, Oculus and PC/Mac, Rec Room is kidSAFE COPPA Certified and carries an age rating of 9+. Nonetheless, parents and carers should remain mindful that gaming online with strangers always carries a potential risk.

# Intimidating Interactions

Rec Room is a huge anline environment, with more than 10 million users worldwide. Before heading into the individual rooms, players usually mingle in the Rec Centre. Users can move their avatar around this social space and audio chat using their microphone. While most people just want to have fun and make friends, some may say and do things that others find uncomfortable, threatening or harmful.



As cliques can form naturally during a garning session, situations could easily arise where some children feel left out or even builled. Garners can victimise other players for no reason at all, and many hide behind an online persona which of fers a sense of immunity from their actions. Even when players are banned, those determined enough can simply make another account and re-enter the game.



### **Questionable Connections**

Adding someone as a friend is a good way to connect with a person you had fun with anline. However, not everybody is who they seem, and same might have more sinister ideas ance a friendship has been established. When two players (who don't have junior accounts) accept each other as friends in Rec Roam, they're able to chat privately, track each other in–game, and plan to go into rooms together on their own.

# **Violent or Scary Thernes**

Rec Room contains mild violent or scary themes, including weapons like swords and paintball guns. It is quite tame compared with many other games but might still leave an impression on younger children. This applies even more when playing in virtual reality: VR significantly enhances an experience – whether exciting or frightening – and can have a lasting impact on young ones who may be upset by adult themes.

# Sexual Content

Some rooms have adult themes and absolutely should <u>net</u> be entered by children. The game's code of conduct stipulates that players must be warned about anything of this nature before entering a room, but users who don't have a junior account could still potentially gain access. The major warry is that a young person could be lured into these rooms before realising what goes on inside.



# Advice for Parents & Carers

# Junior Accounts

Junior users can't send or receive audio and private messages, or create their own room. Anybody under 13 is required to have a junior account, and those accounts are linked to (and moderated by), a parent or guardian account. To create one, start a new game of Rec Room, go to 'Create an Account' and follow the instructions. Be sure to explain the restrictions to your children before letting them play.

# **Block and Report**

To help moderate problem users, select the player (click the right thum b stick on PS press T' on PC, point in VR, etc). The "Comfart and Moderation" screen presents options including block, unblock, vatekick and report. Players you block will not be allowed in the same room as you. The Rec Room website's code of conduct can hell you decide whether a player has violated the terms and should be reported.

# Tailor the Experience

In the settings (within the "Watch Menu"), you can tweak individual parts of the Rec Room experience. Everything from muting other players' audio, muting your mic and tweaking voice pitch, through to selecting how close other players can get to you can be found her. This is ideal for people who prefer to avoid social interactions or simply want to enjoy the game without worrying about other players.

# Disable Payment Methods

Rec Room is free to download and play, but there are in-game purchases – items like cosmetics and costumes – that users pay for with real money. If you have a card attached to any platform accounts (like a Play Station or Steam account), be aware that children might therefore incur costs on these without meaning to. It's safest to unlink any payment methods before you download the game.

# Get Involved

As it's such a popular game, there are lots of content creators an YouTube and Twitch whose out put focuses on Rec Room. Most of this content is tailored to a younger audience. Taiking to your child about their favourite creators – and watching their videos together – is good way of opening a dialogue about your child's experiences in Rec Room and understanding which spects of the game they enjoy.

# Meet Our Expert

Mark Foster has worked in the gaming industry for several years as a writer, editor and presenter. He is the gaming editor of two of the biggest gaming news sites in the world UNILAD Gaming and GA MINGbible. Starting gaming from a young age with his siblings he has a passion for understanding how games and tech work, but more importantly,











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