Veryan CofE Primary School News





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Friday 14th May

Message from Ms Jarrett

The weeks are flying by and before we know it half term will be upon us! The children have already begun work towards their summer production and staff are busy planning sports day and other events between now and July.

Sadly we seem to have a possible sickness bug starting in school, so please be aware of this if your child mentions feeling unwell. May we also remind parents of our 48 hour policy; children should remain at home until 48 hours after their last bout of sickness and/or diarrhoea to help us prevent the spread of infection. We hope our ongoing hygiene practices will help to keep this at bay and cause minimal cases but we know we won't be able to prevent all cases! Thank you for your support in this matter.

With 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: 97.97% Pendower: 96.47% Kiberick: 97.7%

Congratulations Carne you were our attendance heroes this week.

Funky Frigay Club

This week we will be playing Bingo in addition to all the usual refreshments.

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

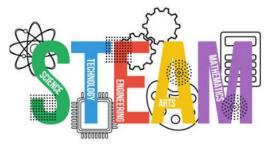
Thank you, from the Year 6s

Kiberick have been producing a wall masterpiece - a paper collage of Rio de Janeiro; using Matisse's technique of

painting with scissors.

It's a huge piece of art in our classroom and we think it looks great!

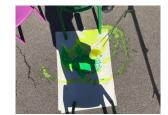




STEAM stands for Science Technology Engineering Art and Maths. STEAM club will be completing various activities around these areas.







This week in STEAM CLUB we investigated pendulum painting. We found that the paint needed quite a low viscosity to flow out of the hole. This means the molecules in the paint are further apart and so have more room to move.

The longer the string the larger the shape. It created oval shapes that moved across a little bit each time.

If you are in Kiberick Class, don't forget you can sign up to our club at https://veryan.schoolcloud.co.uk/ and join us on a Thursday afternoon until 4:15pm. Come and see what we're discovering next week!

Calendar dates: Summer term

May



4th—25th—Sailing. Percuil Kiberick group

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

17th -Science week

17th—Pendower class trip to Royal Cornwall Museum

24th—RE week

20th - School Census day. Special Caterlink menu

28th—Year 1 Hearing test

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

ist—Veryan whole school 'move up day' more details to follow.

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

14th—Kiberick surfing day

21st—Leaver's celebration

22nd—Vestival. More details to follow

23rd—Last day of term

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	Wednes- day	Thursday	Friday
Carne— Mindful- ness Club Open to all of Car- ne Miss Goodall	Kiberick —Team games 15 pupils max Mr Webb	No clubs staff meetings	Kiberick— STEAM club Open to all of Kiberick Mrs Cart- wright	Friyay Club in school time Open to whole school within bubbles. £1 subs Year 6 organised
Pendow- er— Mindful- ness Club Open to all of Pen- dower Miss Blayney				



Our dance lessons with Miss Katie on Tuesday afternoons have been going really well for Carne and Pendower. Miss Katie praised Carne especially for their focus and effort this week.

We hope to be able to share the end results with parents at our summer production next term!









Pendower class created some incredible Pharoah pictures with cartouche images (left)

Below is a collection of the Canopic jars that the children have made using clay and some very intricate painting.

They should be very proud of the hard work they have put into these—they look amazing!



Carne Class have been out hunting for their 'Where the Wild Things Are' topic.

This week they visited the churchyard to see if they could find some wild squirrels....









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/