



**Newsletter 1
Autumn 2022
Friday 16th September 2022**

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Who's Who?

To our new Reception parents/carers welcome to Penponds! To the rest of our families Welcome Back!

We have already started with lots going on in school and the children have settled extremely well. I thought as it was the new school year and we have had lots of new staff over the year that we would have a bit of a 'Who's who' in the newsletter so you can put faces to the names you will be hearing from your children at home.



Mrs Rebekah Bailey - Headteacher



Mr Tom Brokenshire – Assistant Headteacher
Tregonning Class (Y5/6) Teacher



Mrs Ann Mitchell – Learning Support Assistant



Mrs Liz Rule – Lunchtime Supervisor and After School Club



Mrs Trudy Watts – PE Specialist, Lunchtime Lead, Friends of Penponds Chair, Breakfast Club



Mr Matt Bruford – SEN Support Learning Assistant, Lunchtime Supervisor and Play Lead



Ms Alison Uren – SEN Support Learning Assistant, Lunchtime Supervisor



Mrs Jo Wood – School Secretary

Dates for your diary:

School Closed

Monday 19th September
for Queen's Funeral

Extra-Curricular Clubs

School-led clubs beginning
Monday 12th September

DDMIX Club

Mondays after school
starting Monday 26th
September

Skateboarding Club

Fridays after school
starting Friday 16th
September

Sports 4 Tots

Tuesdays after school
starting Tuesday 20th
September

Rock Steady Music

Fridays - Lessons In school
time

Swimming Lessons –

Tregonning Class – Y5/6

Monday 12th September –
Monday 5th December

Nasal Flu Vaccinations

Tuesday 4th October

Inset Days:



Mrs Michelle Pascoe – SEN Support Learning Assistant, Breakfast Club



Mrs Mel O'Connell – Learning Support Assistant and TIS Practitioner



Mrs Karen Barnes – SEN Support Learning Assistant



Mr Tom Macdonald Clapp – Rocksteady Band Leader – Music Specialist



Mrs Emma Pearson – SEN Support Learning Assistant



Miss Leanne Rule – SEN Support Learning Assistant and After School Club



Miss Tayler King – Teacher – Godolphin Class Year 1/2



Miss Victoria Murphy – Teacher – Maths and Intervention



Miss Lauren Berry – Teacher – Carn Brea Class – Early Year Lead and SENDCo



Mrs Hannah Richards – Teacher – Trencrom Class – Year 3/4



Mrs Sarah Wilkins – Higher Level Teaching Assistant (HLTA) Carn Brea Class

Monday 5th September 2022
 Tuesday 3rd January 2023
 Monday 17th April 2023
 Monday 24th July 2023
 Tuesday 25th July 2023

Attendance:

Carn Brea: 99%

Godolphin: 95%

Trencrom: 96%

Tregonning: 98%

Class Awards



Carn Brea:

Awards start next week

Godolphin:

Alyssia, Barney, Byron

Trencrom:

Austin, Joel, Henry

Tregonning:

Brody, Ellie R, Grace

Safeguarding: Incident - Killivose Area

We have been made aware of an incident that occurred at the weekend involving two teenage girls. They were approached by a middle-aged man, where he attempted to engage them in inappropriate sexualised behaviour and conversation. This has been reported to the police and is being investigated.

Godolphin Class

Godolphin have been enjoying getting stuck back into learning after 6 weeks off. Our new focus story is 'The Papaya that spoke', we have been retelling the story every day using actions. Our new topic is 'Down in the Jungle', we have been using videos, books and pictures to discover what a rainforest looks like and what we might find there before we begin learning all about them.



Headteacher Awards



Carn Brea

Daisy

Godolphin

Max

Trencrom

Henry

Tregonning

Freya D

Quote



The first hour of the morning is the rudder of the day. Morning is an important time of day, because how you spend your morning can often tell you what kind of day you are going to have. Just one small positive thought in the morning can change your whole day.



Poem

First Day at School?



A millionbillionwillion miles
from home
Waiting for the bell to go. (To
go where?)
Why are they all so big, other
children?
So noisy? So much at home
they
Must have been born in
uniform
Lived all their lives in
playgrounds
Spent years inventing games
That don't let me in. Games
That are rough, that swallow
you up.

And the railings.
All around, the railings.
Are they to keep out wolves
and monsters?
Things that carry off and eat
children?
Things you don't take sweets
from?
Perhaps they're to stop us
getting out
Running away from the
lessins. Lessin.
What does a lessin look like?
Sounds small and slimy.
They keep them in the
glassrooms.
Whole rooms made out of
glass. Imagine.

I wish I could remember my
name.
Mummy said it would come
in useful.
Like wellies. When there's
puddles.
Yellow wellies. I wish she was
here.

Football Club

This week we started our PE football unit, it looks like we have some future stars in the making - great sportsmanship shown by all and a great attitude - look out Ronaldo and Beth Mead here we come!



I think my name is sewn on somewhere.
Perhaps the teacher will read it for me.
Tea-cher. The one who makes the tea.

Written by Roger McGough



Cookery Club

Yesterday the 'Cooking Club Chefs' were busy making Greek dips - hummus and tzatziki. The children peeled and grated garlic, zested and juiced lemons, chopped mint, cucumber, and carrots, measured out tahini paste, olive oil and water and used the food processor! All chefs were super well behaved and couldn't wait to get stuck in. I'm looking forward to next week! Recipes can be found on Dojo – Miss Murphy





Festive Hampers for families in need

Cornwall Council will be providing festive hampers for some families who reside in the Camborne, Pool, Redruth, Lizard and Helston areas who would benefit from receiving a Festive Hamper. Should you and your family wish to be considered please email Mrs Wood in the office: jwood@rainbowacademy.org.uk

**Camborne Science and International Academy (CSIA) Open Evening**

CSIA Open Evening is taking place on Monday 26th September 2022 from 5.30pm.

All Year 6 Parents/Carers and students are more than welcome to attend.

If parents would like to book one of the sessions with a talk from the Head, they will need to book a slot via our school website.

Posters:

- Secret Church Kids Club – starting Thursday 22nd September
- Forest Folk Tree School – Autumn sessions
- Wild Church – Walk – Sunday 18th September
- National Online Safety – What Parents Need to Know about Roblox
- Applying for a Reception place for September 2023 entry
- Applying for a Year 7 place for September 2023 entry
- Thank you from BBC Children in Need
- National Online Safety - The Extraordinary Life of Queen Elizabeth II
- Sports4Tots

kids club

@Penponds Church (the Secret Church)



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session

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FOR primary aged children
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For more information:
becky@cambornecluster.org.uk
07903 496869

Tree Folk Forest School - and outdoor learning.

We are so excited to tell you that we have been given the use of a little meadow near Gwinear to run our outdoor sessions starting in September 2022, days to be arranged - message me for further information asap as spaces will be limited.

treefolkforestschool@gmail.com

Autumn Sessions



Family Forest School, 2-5 year olds

What better way to connect to nature than by being in nature and learning how to look after and respect the world around us.



Nature Tots, 0-5 year olds

A lovely support group for mums/dads/carers and their babies/toddlers.

Listen to and join in (makaton) with favourite stories, old and new along with messy outdoor play, sensory play and a nature craft to take home.

We love nature

Tree Folk Forest School delivers woodland based activities for children and adults of all ages. Come along in all weathers to explore and enjoy nature and the changing seasons. Our sessions let children investigate nature, with the emphasis on child-led play, making friends and letting them get muddy!

Join in with our Family Forest School sessions, Stay and Play Story Time and crafts, and after school clubs. We believe that the great outdoors provides a perfect creative space to connect, explore, share, reflect and most of all have fun.



After school club, 5 - 10 yr olds at Penponds School.

Team games, natural crafts, mud kitchen and introduction to woodland skills.

Wild Church



**join us for a Wild Walk
as we wonder about soil**

meet outside Penponds church
September 18th 11am

Facebook: Camborne Cluster Wild Church

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

ROBLOX

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Roblox is one of the most popular video games on the market. By 2020, the game's makers were claiming that more than half of children in the USA play it. As a 'sandbox' title, Roblox offers a huge amount of creative freedom: it lets players create their own gaming experiences with the Roblox Studio to build custom levels and games, which can then be shared with other players online. Roblox fosters creative thinking and enjoys a robust online community of fans.

CONTACT WITH STRANGERS

Roblox encourages players to communicate online (including a group chat facility). This could expose children to risks such as scammers, online predators, harassment, griefers and more. The in-game chat has some filters, but isn't perfect: players can still send harmful messages to others – such as scam links or general hostility – while predators can reach out to children directly.

PUBLIC SERVERS

Roblox has private or VIP servers which allow people to play exclusively with their friends, but this costs money. Most Roblox players will instead be on public servers that anyone can join. Servers can host games which focus on all kinds of aspects, including direct player interaction. Some games and servers, therefore, will put children more at risk of contact from strangers than others.

ONLINE DATERS

These are also called 'ODers' and are quite common in Roblox. An ODER is an individual who joins a game with the intention of finding someone to date online – and eventually meet in person. Such online dating is against the Roblox community guidelines, but this usually doesn't deter ODERs. Some player-built Roblox game worlds have even been designed with online dating specifically in mind.

IN-APP PURCHASES

Roblox is actually free to download and play, but bear in mind that there are some hidden costs. Players are encouraged to make purchases in the game, for example, using real money. People can also buy extra Robux (the in-game currency) to spend on cosmetic items in the game, while it's possible to purchase a private or VIP server.

Advice for Parents & Carers

SET PARENTAL CONTROLS

Roblox comes with several parental control options, which are explained well on the game's official website. It's essential to enter the correct date of birth for your child, as that allows Roblox to automatically apply the appropriate chat filters. The game also allows parents and carers to set monthly spending restrictions and monitor their child's account.

DISABLE PRIVATE MESSAGING

Roblox's private messaging function raises the risk of children being contacted by people they may not want to speak with – potentially leading to bullying, harassment, toxicity and scam attempts. The game allows you to disable messages from anyone who hasn't been added as a friend on your child's account.

PRIVATE SERVERS

If your child has some genuine friends to play Roblox online with, paying for a private or VIP server decreases the risk of contact from strangers. Even then, however, some players could invite other people – who might not necessarily be child friendly – into the private server. If your child is a Roblox fan, it's important to talk with them regularly about who they are playing the game with.

MONITOR SPENDING

If they don't understand they're using real money, it's easy for children to accidentally spend a sizeable amount in the game. Using parental controls to place limits on their spending will help avoid any nasty financial surprises. Ensuring that you have two-factor authentication on your payment accounts also makes it harder for your child to spend money inadvertently.

DEALING WITH STRANGERS

At some point in their development, your child will need to learn how to deal with strangers online. Show them how to block and report any users who are upsetting them or asking uncomfortable questions. Talking to them about what's OK to discuss – and what they should never tell a stranger online – will help them understand how to communicate with other people online safely.

Meet Our Expert

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Do you have a child born **between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019?**

If so, you will need to apply for a place in a reception class in September 2023 for that child by the deadline of **15 January 2023**.

Please note: you will need to apply even if your child attends a school's nursery or pre-school class. If a school is oversubscribed the fact that a child attends a school's nursery or pre-school, or a local nursery or pre-school, does not automatically guarantee a place at that school. The school's oversubscription criteria will be used to allocate places. Visit our website or contact us for more information.

Visit www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions for more information and to access the online application system

Need help with your application?

Contact the Family Information Service on **0800 587 8191**

The
deadline for
applications is
**15 January
2023**



The
deadline for
applications is
**31 October
2022**

Transfer to secondary school

September 2023

Applying for a place in year seven at a secondary school

Information and guidance

Website and application form: www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

Email: schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk

Post: **School Admissions Team**, County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY

Telephone: **0300 1234 101**

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The extraordinary life of QUEEN ELIZABETH II



1926

Princess Elizabeth is born in London.



1945

Towards the end of World War II, 18-year-old Elizabeth joins the Auxiliary Territorial Service and trains as a driver and a mechanic.



1947

Princess Elizabeth marries Prince Philip, an officer in the Royal Navy.



1948

The princess gives birth to her first child, a boy named Charles who will grow up to be King.



1966

Her Majesty is at Wembley to see England beat West Germany (as it was called before the Berlin Wall came down) 4-2 in the World Cup final, presenting the trophy to victorious captain Bobby Moore.



1957

Her Majesty gives the first televised Christmas broadcast to the nation. 'The Queen's Speech' goes on to become a permanent and powerful tradition of the festive season.



1953

The new Queen is crowned at Westminster Abbey – the first coronation to be televised. Sales of TVs soar as many families buy one for the first time to watch the ceremony. The eventual worldwide audience is around 277 million.



1977

Britain and the Commonwealth celebrate the Queen's silver jubilee (marking 25 years on the throne). A chain of beacons is lit around the country, and thousands of street parties are held.



2015

Having ruled for 63 years, Queen Elizabeth becomes the longest-reigning monarch in British history – overtaking her great great grandmother, Queen Victoria.



2022

The nation celebrates the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with more events and street parties. Sadly, however, Her Majesty's health declines and she passes away months later, aged 96. After 70 years of rule, Queen Elizabeth II leaves a legacy of lasting affection and respect from people not only in the UK, but around the whole world.

Did you know?...

Rest well, Your Majesty – and thank you.

The Queen received her first Corgi, Susan, as an 18th birthday present. She loved that breed of dog throughout her life, going on to own another 30 of them.



As Britain was still recovering from the effects of the war, the young Princess Elizabeth had to save ration coupons to buy the material for her wedding dress!

The Queen took the unusual step of inviting a TV documentary crew into Buckingham Palace in 1969. This let people see the Royal Family in a way they'd never been able to before.



In 1982, a mentally ill man broke into the palace and reached the Queen's bedroom! Reports suggest Her Majesty calmly kept him talking for 10 minutes until the security team arrived.



It was Queen Elizabeth who, in 1993, decided to open up Buckingham Palace to visitors from the public for the first time.



To help launch the 2012 Olympics in London, Her Majesty featured in a short film where she meets super-spy James Bond, as played by Daniel Craig.



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