

**Weekly Newsletter**  
**Autumn 2021 – 11**  
**Friday 10th December 2021**

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### **Trencrom Class**

Trencrom class found out how boats are used on the River Nile, for transport and trade. We learnt about boats made from papyrus reeds that are still used on the Nile today. We had a go at making our own boats and we tested them on water to see how much cargo they could hold.



**Dates for your diary:**

**Swimming Lessons**  
**Trencrom Class Y3/4 starting**  
**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January**

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January – 4<sup>th</sup>**  
**April inclusive**



### **Extra-Curricular Clubs**

Monday - Mindfulness Art  
Tuesday – Sports4Tots  
Wednesday – Chess and Board Games  
Thursday – Book Club at lunchtime  
Thursday – Construction/Lego

**We will not be running extra-curricular clubs the first week back in January.** Providing there are no new covid restrictions in place Mrs Bailey will send out a new letter and sign-up form to parents with new clubs/days

### **Christmas Videos**

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December**  
Available for  
parents/carers via Dojo



## Festive School Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day



**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December**  
Children can wear a **Christmas Jumper over their uniform**. Please pay £1 on Parentpay or cash to the office towards the Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day appeal.

## Special Visitor in School

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December**  
Children will be coming home with a little gift from a special person today!



## Christmas Parties



**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December**  
All classes will have their Christmas Parties on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December. Children can wear their **party outfits and no school uniform**. We would be grateful if parents/carers **donate 50p** towards the cost of party food through Parentpay.

**Last Day of Autumn Term**  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021

## Inset Day

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022 – no children in school**

**First Day of Spring Term**  
**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022**



## Christmas Multi-Skills Event

Today Year 1 attended Camborne Science and International Academy for a Christmas Multi-Skills Event. It was sports-based and the children had a lot of Christmas fun. They were also excited to travel in a mini-bus.



## Inset Days:

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022  
Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2022  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2022

## Attendance this week

Carn Brea: 85%

Godolphin: 89%

Trencrom: 90%

Tregonning: 91%

Trophy – Tregonning

## Class Teacher Awards



## Carn Brea

Whole class

## Godolphin

Arlo, Jack, Harper

## Trencrom

Mia, Jessica, Annabella

## Tregonning

Elijah, Evie, Ava

## Head Teacher Awards

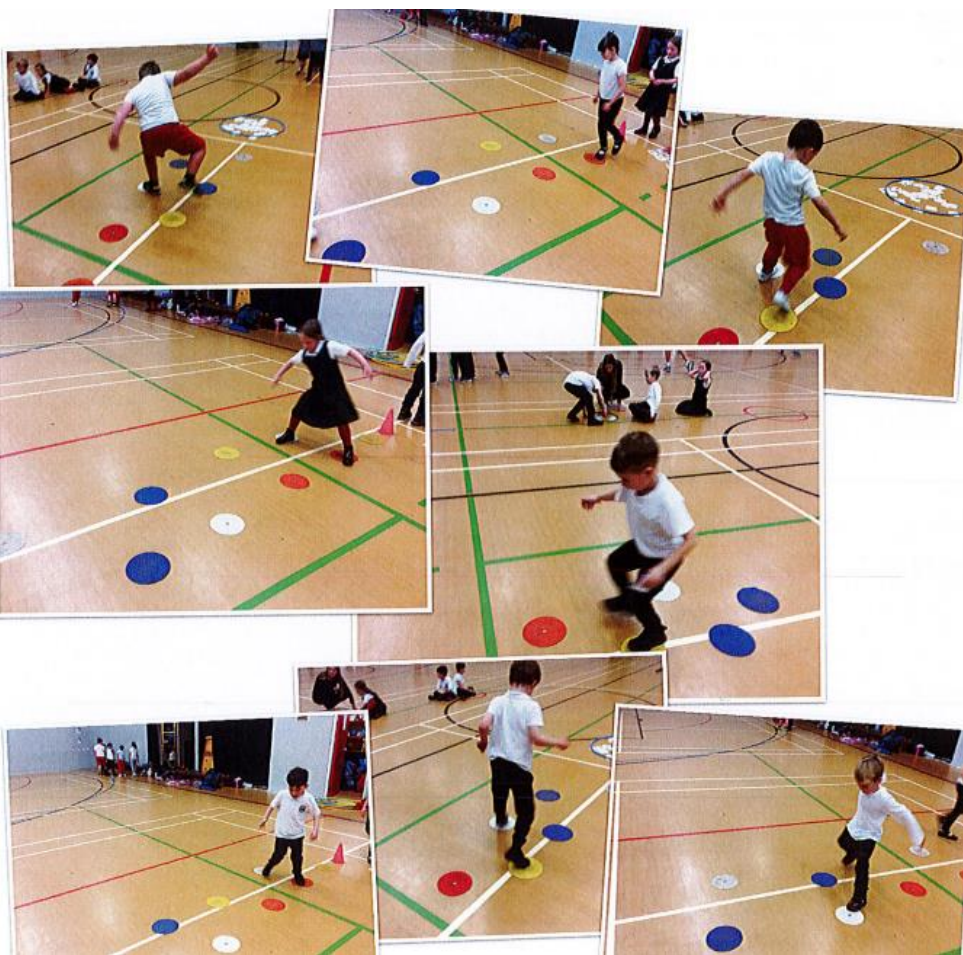


**Carn Brea**  
Hazel

**Godolphin**  
Millie, Harrison

**Trencrom**  
Emily Q, Holly

**Tregonning**  
Freya B, Jowan



**I am delighted to be able to announce our second prefect of this academic year – Daniel**

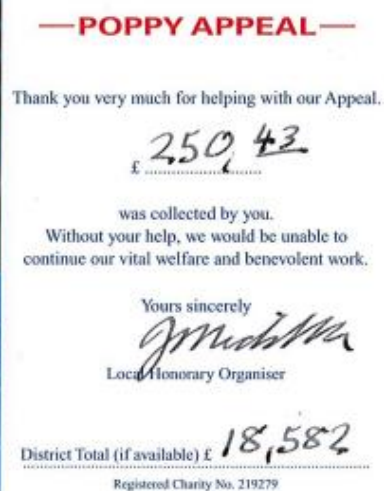
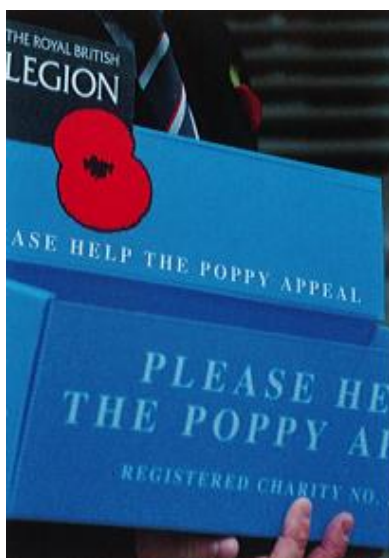
As usual, children in Year 6 wrote letters to the Headteacher (me this year) and Mr Hooper explaining why they believed they should be considered for the role of a prefect at Penponds. I was truly blown away by the quality of the letters and genuinely couldn't choose between them based on the letters alone. I spoke to the Year 6 children and we decided that this year we would choose prefects based on their actions. Children detailed how they would be the perfect prefect in their letters, so we agreed they would need to show this in action to be awarded their badge and tie. Daniel is an absolute delight to have in school. He is particularly kind to our younger children and is the model 'buddy' to our reception children. He is consistently polite to all he encounters in school and is always on hand to help. He has a mature attitude beyond his years, but his dry sense of humour reminds us that he is only in Year 6! Well done Daniel!



**There have been two more children made prefects today –so watch this space!**

**The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal – 2021**

Penponds School have raised an amazing amount this year for the Poppy Appeal towards the district total of £18,582. Thank you everyone.



**Quotes:**

- It isn't where you come from it's where you're going that counts.
- The only thing better than singing is more singing.



*Ella Fitzgerald*

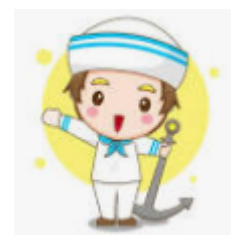
**Poem:**

**Singing**

Of speckled eggs the birdie sings  
And nests among the trees;  
The sailor sings of ropes and things  
In ships upon the seas.

The children sing in far Japan,  
The children sing in Spain;  
The organ with the organ man  
Is singing in the rain.

Robert Louis Stevenson





*Penponds School*

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### Posters

- Community Walking Groups – Camborne
- Time2Move Christmas Holiday Programme
- Breakfast and After School Wrap Around Care Booking Sheet for Spring Term – January/February 2020
- National Online Safety – Let's connect this Christmas

### Consultation – Cornwall Outdoors Sites

#### Message from Cornwall Council

You may be aware that Cornwall Council is facing difficulties setting a budget for 2022-2023. As part of its planned savings it has put forward the following proposal:

*We are proposing to cease operating our services at all Cornwall Outdoors sites by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022.*

*We will aim to find an alternative provider to take over the delivery of our Cornwall Outdoors service. To maximise the opportunity for an alternative provider to be able to maintain a viable and sustainable outdoor education offer, we propose to end provision of outdoor education at the Delaware, Carnyorth and Pelistry sites. This will allow the service in future to be focused on the Porthpean site.*

We have now entered a consultation period due to end on 9<sup>th</sup> January. If you wish to contribute to the consultation please use the link below

<https://letstalk.cornwall.gov.uk/cornwall-outdoors>

If you would like to respond you may do so as 'an interested resident'.

## Covid Guidance

KS1 and KS2 children need to arrive at **8.45a.m** and go to their classroom door entrance.

Reception children need to arrive at **8.50a.m** and go to their classroom door entrance.

Staff will be at the door ready to welcome them in.

At the end of the day please collect your child from their classroom entrance apart from Y5/6 (Tregonning class) who will be walked around to the front of the school by the bike shed and will be dismissed from there.

Reception and KS1 will finish at **3.15p.m.** KS2 children finish at **3.20p.m.**

Please collect your child promptly.

Due to the increased number of confirmed Covid cases in Cornwall at present, we would politely ask that parents continue to wear masks at drop off and collection when the school will be very busy and if entering the building for an appointment.

If your child develops a new continuous cough and/or high temperature and/or a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia) please do not send them into school and arrange for them to have a PCR test as soon as possible.

There is more information about the return to school from Cornwall Council through the following link.

[Back to school - Cornwall Council](#)

Thank you for your continued support.

## Public Health Update: Schools and Early Years Settings

The number of COVID-19 infections in Cornwall continues to increase, with more than half of the total number being recorded in Cornish Schools. Because of this, Public Health Cornwall, is asking parents, carers, teachers and school staff to follow some new guidance.

We request:

- You book a PCR test if you are a household or close contact of a confirmed COVID-19 case
- We are asking for household contacts of a case who attend an educational setting to take a daily rapid LFD test for 7 days

This additional testing recommendation applies to children in secondary schools and additionally primary schools if parents/carers feel comfortable in doing so.

The daily testing recommendation for Cornwall is not mandatory but designed to identify children and young people who develop COVID-19 a few days after their sibling or other household member and therefore reduce the risk of COVID-19 spreading in schools.

If they do not have COVID-19 symptoms and are testing negative they can continue to attend their setting. If they test positive on an LFD test or develop new symptoms, they should self-isolate and take a PCR test.

We also request that all parents, carers and older siblings of school aged children test twice weekly, using a lateral flow test, in line with the continued government guidance.

### **Guidance from the UK Health Security Agency (HAS)**

#### **For staff member cases**

Where a staff member is identified as having been in close contact with the person who tested positive, they should be advised to take a PCR test. Close contacts may wish to undertake daily LFD testing whilst awaiting their result. They should also be advised to self-isolate unless one of the following applies:

- They are fully vaccinated
- They are below the age of 18 years and 6 months
- They have taken part in or are currently part of an approved COVID-19 vaccine trial
- They can evidence that they are unable to be vaccinated for medical reasons

To ensure eligible individuals identified as a close contact can access [Test and Trace Support payments](#) you may consider providing staff details to the NHS Self Isolation Hub when:

- staff member who was in close contact with the person testing positive has indicated they are not exempt from self-isolation, but the person testing positive was unable to provide that person's details to NHS Test and Trace.
- it is particularly difficult for the person testing positive to identify or provide details of some members of staff they were in contact with, for example temporary workers such as supply staff, peripatetic teachers, contractors or ancillary staff.

The self-isolation hub can be contacted by calling 0203 7436715.

Kind regards  
Public Health



## Root Training CIC



Developing your growth  
through wellbeing activities.

Community walking groups  
Camborne - get walking, get  
talking and get moving

Subsidised walking groups every  
Tuesday at 10.00am active  
Monday 2.00pm amble  
Numerous spaces available  
You must live in the Camborne Parish to be  
eligible  
Contact [Tracey@root-training.co.uk](mailto:Tracey@root-training.co.uk)  
07375 606015 for information and booking

**Funded**

**8 week C25K running programme for January  
2022**

**for the people of Kerrier**

**Trained by England Athletics run leaders**

**Start your new year by trying something new or achieving this  
goal that you never quite managed on your own.**

**This is open to people over the age of 18 who live in the  
Kerrier area. Employed, unemployed, retired, parents and  
young people.**

**Taster session is Sunday the 09th January 2022 at 11.30 at  
Heartlands and starts on Wednesday the 12th January 2022**

**Either 9.30am or 6pm—you choose**

**Contact [Tracey@root-training.co.uk](mailto:Tracey@root-training.co.uk)**

**07375 606015 for information.**

**Booking is essential**

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

### **Time2Move Christmas Holiday Programme**

It is with great pleasure that we can inform you that the new Time2Move holiday programme which was a great success over the summer will also be taking place across Cornwall over the Christmas school holidays.

This programme will offer fun physical activities, games and wider activities plus a meal for your child. Activities will mainly take place from Monday 20<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> December. All children are welcome to attend and it is completely **FREE** for children that are eligible for benefits-related Free School Meals.

If your child is eligible for Free School Meals you will need your child's unique code in order to access the activities for free. This code will be the same as the one issued to your child over the summer holidays, so you can continue to use the same code. However, if you no longer know it or did not receive it, you can request a reminder by emailing the following email address with your child's full name and name of the school they attend:

Email address to request code: [Time2Move.HolidayProgramme@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:Time2Move.HolidayProgramme@cornwall.gov.uk)

To search and book on activities please visit:

**[www.activecornwall.org/T2MHolidayProgramme](http://www.activecornwall.org/T2MHolidayProgramme)**

The activities are all delivered by approved providers with the main focus on fun and enjoyment. So please search for activities near you, book your child's place and we look forward to seeing your child over the Christmas holiday.

Yours faithfully,

**The Time2Move Holiday Programme Team**

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Breakfast Club and After School Club    Booking Sheet – Spring Term 2022

Child/Children's Name/s: .....

Emergency Parent/Carer Name & Telephone Number: .....

Payment made: .....

Please tick the sessions you would like to book for your child/children and pay in advance via Parentpay or Childcare Vouchers

DAY	DATE	BREAKFAST CLUB	AFTER SCHOOL CLUB				Payments
		<b>£3.50</b> siblings £2.00	3.20-4pm	4-4.30pm	4.30-5pm	Not available after 5pm	<b>£2 per half-hour Session,</b> siblings £1.50
Wednesday	5 <sup>th</sup> January						
Thursday	6 <sup>th</sup> January						
Friday	7 <sup>th</sup> January						
Monday	10 <sup>th</sup> January						
Tuesday	11 <sup>th</sup> January						
Wednesday	12 <sup>th</sup> January						
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Friday	14 <sup>th</sup> January						
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Wednesday	16 <sup>th</sup> February						
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Friday	18 <sup>th</sup> February						

# Let's connect this CHRISTMAS (SOME WAY)

By now you'll have seen our collaboration with Musicalalternative for this year's National Online Safety Christmas song. If you feel like joining in – perhaps with your family or with your class – we've reproduced the lyrics here for you!

1  
We don't want a lot for Christmas,  
There's nothing we really need  
And we don't care about the presents  
Underneath the Christmas tree  
We just want a screen-free day  
Unless we're calling family far away  
What more can we say?  
Let's connect this Christmas, some way

2  
I don't want a lot for Christmas  
But here's some other things I'd like (I'd like)  
Offline school from now till summer  
Time outside to ride my bike

3  
And I don't want to spend this Christmas  
Surrounded by a million screens  
Unless they're showing happy faces  
The fam on Zoom or my friends on Teams

4  
The iPad's great to stay in touch  
With people we don't see that much  
So what more can we say?  
Let's catch up this Christmas, some way

5  
And I won't ask for much this Christmas  
Not even a PS5 (or a)  
iPhone ProMax, Switch OLED,  
A million-terabyte hard drive

6  
It's time for some fun with mates  
But TikTok, Insta they can wait  
As for family, what do ya say?  
Let's hang out for the Christmas holiday

7  
All the screens are shining so brightly  
everywhere (oh it's Christmas)  
And the sound of high-pitched ringtones  
fills the air (and mince pies)  
And everyone's distracted (stockings)  
My mental health's impacted (presents)  
Can't we use devices so we're ALL connected?  
Sharing memories that we've all collected?

8  
Oh, I don't want a lot for Christmas  
This is all I'm asking for (and I)  
Just wanna spread some smiles  
Show some kindness, let's make sure  
Nobody feels on their own  
Share so everybody knows  
Through a screen, or face to face  
Let's connect this Christmas, some way

9  
Connected this Christmas some way,  
please let's be  
Connected this Christmas some way  
Connected this Christmas some way  
Connected this Christmas some way

 **National  
Online  
Safety**  
#WakeUpWednesday