



Weekly Newsletter

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## This week's focus: Tregonning Trip to Truro Cathedral



On Tuesday morning, Tregonning Class went to Truro Cathedral. We got on a bus and about 20 minutes later we got off and went to the cathedral. We saw a lady who gave us a tour of the cathedral. There we lay down and she asked us what was the biggest shape in the cathedral. It was a cross. After that we walked down to the basement and she took us to a room and told us to put our bags and coats on the chairs. Then we went back upstairs and had a look at pictures of a bishop and landmarks of Cornwall and Plymouth. There were crosses on the landmarks. There was also a picture of a white dove that means 'God's light is always with us'. After that we went to learn about Queen Victoria. Emelia was Queen, Eloise was the Bishop of Exeter and Oliver was a priest. Then we did some acting. We talked about the cathedral and how old it was. The lady said the building was about 110 years old. We visited the old church part of the cathedral and the lady said the architect designed the whole cathedral. Harrison was the architect, Piran was the Bishop. The architect had fallen out with the bishop. The bishop wanted to destroy the whole church that was there, but the architect won the fight against the bishop so they kept the church where it was. Then we went down to the basement and saw some strange clothes and the lady asked for six volunteers to wear them.

## Dates for your diary:

**Mon-Fri, 11<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>  
November**

Anti-bullying week

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November**

Tregonning Class  
Victorian Topic Day

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November**

**Choir cancelled this week**

due to Mrs Holmes  
attending Camborne  
Music Festival

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>  
November**

Road Safety Talk for  
Tregonning Class

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November**  
School Choir at Camborne  
Music Festival at 10am

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November**  
School Photographs  
Portraits and Siblings

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November**  
Penponds Speaks Event in  
the Hall 18.00-19.00

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November  
to Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>  
November**  
Bikeability Training for  
Year 6

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**  
Tregonning Class making  
lanterns for Camborne  
Lantern Parade





We all walked around the whole cathedral and then the organs came on. Then we went to get lunch and after lunch we came back to school. By Harrison and Oliver

### Remembrance Service

Every year Mrs Stone accompanies two children from Tregonning Class to the annual School/Youth Remembrance Service at Camborne Parish Church and War Memorial. Well done to our these wonderful year sixes who attended and lay poppy crosses at the War Memorial.



**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November**  
Carn Brea Class – Open Afternoon

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November**  
Carn Brea Class – Super Hero Day

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November**  
Camborne Lantern Parade

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**  
Tree Decorating Assembly

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December –  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December**  
FOPs Christmas Present Wrapping Service for the children

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December**  
Christingle Assembly at 3pm

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December**  
Christmas Carol Concert at Wesley Chapel – 6pm-7pm

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December**  
Village Event – Penponds Village Nativity at 4pm

**Mon-Fri, 16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> December**  
Christmas Experience at Penponds Church

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December**  
Christmas Lunch

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December**  
Last Day of Autumn Term

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**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020**  
INSET DAY - No children in school



### Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

This week Year 6 children have been enjoying selling poppies and merchandise at break time in support of The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal and we now have a very heavy collection box to return to them! Thank you everyone for your support.



### Perfect Prefects

So far this term the following Year 6 children have been granted the privilege of being a Prefect and been awarded their prefect badges and ties in our celebration assemblies. They have done a wonderful job so far and Mrs Lamb has been particularly impressed with their confident and caring attitude when showing prospective parents and children around the school.



**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

First Day of Spring Term

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2010**

Swimming Lessons begin for Trecrom Class

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February**  
Parents Evening

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February**  
Parents Evening

### INSET DAYS 2019/2020

Wed 4<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Mon 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Fri 12<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Mon 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Thu 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2020

### Attendance and Awards for this week:

#### Attendance:

Carn Brea: 97.39%

Godolphin:

Y1 – 91.81%

Y2 – 98.61%

Trecrom – 96.91%

Tregonning - 93.83%

#### Attendance Trophy

Godolphin Class – Year 2

### Celebration Awards:

#### Lunchtime:

Maisy, Thomas, Issie, Harrison

#### Carn Brea:

Arlo, Kelyn, Willow

#### Godolphin:

**Year 1**

Emily C, Annabella, Austin

**Year 2**

### Super Hero visitor in Carn Brea Class

In Carn Brea class on Thursday, Caleb's Mum came to tell us about her job as a nurse. She showed us a cool machine which shows up our veins. She also showed us some other nurse equipment. Then she showed us how to listen to our heart beat. At the end of her visit she gave us all a sticker. What a 'real life superhero' she is. We welcome in any other parents who would be willing to talk about their jobs that help others. Please contact Miss Berry if you would be happy to come in.



Emily R, Elijah, Jasper

**Trencrom:** Olivia, Sophia, Elijah

**Tregonning:** Jayden, Tristan, Maddie

**Maths:** Eloise, Jasper L-L, Logan, Isobel, Emily R

**Headteacher Awards:** Logan, Harrison, Emily C, Elijah H, Charlotte, Mia, Alex K, Trystan

### Quote:

We don't even know how strong we are until we are forced to bring that hidden strength forward. In times of tragedy, of war, of necessity, people do amazing things. The human capacity for survival and renewal is awesome.

[Isabel Allende](#)



## Camborne Music Festival – School Choir

Choir after school club is **cancelled this week, Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November** due to Mrs Holmes attending Camborne Music Festival. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

The School Choir will be attending the Camborne Music Festival at 10am on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November in Camborne Centenary Church (pink one). Family and friends of the children are welcome to come along to support the choir. There is an entrance fee of £1.50.

## Friends of Penponds (FOPS) request



Friends of Penponds request that if you have any new small unwanted gifts eg suitable for Mums, Dads or Grandparents please could you donate the gifts to sell at their Christmas Present Wrapping Service/Sale that will be set up in school for the children to buy a small gift for adult family member/s if they wish.

Presents will be available to purchase during the week of **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December**.

## Get Set to Eat Fresh

A big thank you to everyone who gave in Aldi stickers to the school.

We have managed to complete the poster and will send it off to claim an exclusive sports kit and to be in with a chance of winning £20,000 for the school!

For more information about the Get Set to Eat Fresh and free resources to encourage young people to eat healthily visit:

[www.getseteatfresh.co.uk](http://www.getseteatfresh.co.uk)

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*Little Acorns*



**Winter Fayre**  
**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November**  
**3.30pm – 5pm**



At Little Acorns Pre-school, Penponds, Camborne,  
TR14 0QN Tel: 01209 718990

**Cake Stall**

**Tombola**

**Winter Trail**

**Games**

**Facepainting**

**Everyone welcome**



**Please come along to support our Pre-school.**

[www.littleacornspenponds.co.uk](http://www.littleacornspenponds.co.uk) or find us on facebook.



## PENPONDS VILLAGE NATIVITY

The annual Penponds village nativity will take place on Sunday December 16th, meet at 4pm in the village square.

Everyone welcome to take part. You do not have to live in the village. There are no lines to learn and it is all great fun.


Grown-ups please wear your tea towels on your head and/or dress as Shepherds if you can.

Children please come as Angels or Wise Men if you like.

Please bring a wrapped present, marked for man/woman/child (approx. age) if you can.

It would be great to see as many of you as possible there.  
Feel free to bring friends, family etc.

Let's make it the best ever!  
Minnie and Katy Kitson





**FIFA20**

You don't need to be the biggest football fan in the world to have heard of FIFA (Federation Internationale de Football Association) - the governing body for football. And, the video game series bearing the organisation's name is one of the most successful ever. The lure of this football series is that official licensing gives your child the opportunity to play games in the role of their favourite players. They can either work through a story mode version of the game or play online in competitions against other players. The game, released annually by Electronic Arts under the EA Sports label, is available for a range of consoles, and there are also mobile versions available for smartphones and tablets.

**AGE RESTRICTION**  
**3+**  
If under 18, supervision of a parent or legal guardian required.



# What parents need to know about FIFA20



## CONSTANT SERIES REFRESHES

The big selling point for the FIFA range of games is that it includes current players; a feature which no other football video game offers. However, this means that a new version of the game is released every year, with updated teams, players and stadia, plus new gameplay features and tweaks. And, with every annual update of the game, there is an expectation that it will be far better than the previous one, so the pressure to upgrade and buy the new version is likely to be immense!

## FAKE EMAILS AND SCAMS

Your child may receive an email or see a message on social media or in forums which appear to be a genuine FIFA promotion. While the link may seem like a FIFA login page, it's a phishing scam to capture a login name and password. Scammers may use names that sound legitimate, like 'EA Admin' or 'FIFA Developer'.



## JUST ONE MORE GAME

Your child could be playing FIFA games on their computer or console for very long periods of time. That's not to say that computer-based matches are a full 90 minutes long, but a series of 20-minute matches can very quickly fill up a day! The World Health Organisation has classified 'gaming disorder' as a mental health problem - this is when children have trouble controlling their gaming behaviour and let it reign over their lives and daily routine.



## IN GAME CHAT

While the FIFA video game is suitable for children of all ages as it does not include any inappropriate content, there is the issue of in-game chat. Your child can play with other people online and chat with them using headsets. As this is largely unregulated, it could mean that your child is exposed to language or conversations that you deem unsuitable.



## BUYING ADD-ONS

In-game purchases are to be expected in any modern game and FIFA is no different. FIFA Ultimate Team (commonly called FUT) is a mode in FIFA that lets gamers build teams of players from any league, playing both offline and online to win coins. These can be used to buy better players or packs containing random players. While some purchases can be made using in-game currency, other purchases involve spending with real world money, which could become expensive. There have been reports of parents receiving large credit card bills resulting from in-game purchase made by their children.

## FIFA GAMEPLAY

The FIFA series has been criticised for the competitive nature of gameplay leading to aggression in some players. Add to this the chance to converse with other players via in-game chat, and the potential for anger levels is likely to rise... especially if you're losing heavily!



**NOS** National Online Safety  
#WakeUpWednesday

# Top Tips For Parents

## ABOUT THE SERIES REFRESHES

As a parent, the implications of this really depends on the age of your child and your relationship with them. It may be that playing and sharing games is part of your family life and so this isn't a problem, but just be mindful that being involved with the FIFA franchise is unlikely to be a one-off event - it's the start of a gaming journey that could last for many, many years and involve numerous (potentially expensive) upgrades.



## STEER CLEAR OF SCAMMERS

You should teach your children to stay clear of scams. Explain to them that they must be wary of any link which asks them to either verify their username and password or provide other sensitive information; game developers will never send a message asking for login information. Console messages, emails and websites, or social media posts promoting contests for in-game content, such as packs, players, or coins requiring login information are fake.



## MONITOR ACTIVITY

The parental controls on consoles can be used to restrict the amount of time spent playing. Physically monitoring how much time your child is spending in FIFA is recommended - just as you might monitor how much time they spend watching TV. Keep an eye out for warning signs, such as a lack of interest in other activities, tiredness or fatigue, neglect of personal hygiene, changes in character or anger issues when your child is told to stop playing a game.



## HAVE THEM REPORT ABUSE

It's unlikely that you'll be able to convince your child to play FIFA without making use of the chat facility - it's something that adds to the experience. However, you should ensure your child is aware of how to silence any abusive players and how to report anyone who becomes problematic.



## RESTRICT PURCHASES

To spend real money in FIFA, a credit or debit card must be linked to a gaming account, so ensure that your card is not being used for this! There's also support for PayPal payment, so also check who has access to this type of account. Depending on the platform your child is using to play FIFA, there are different parental controls that can be put in place to restrict spending should you allow them to link a card to their account. There is also a payment option called Paysafecard, which allows you to make payments online without the use of a bank account or credit card. As you can top up balances, this makes it easy to control spending.

## ENCOURAGE BREAKS

Monitoring in-game chat may be difficult as you're likely to only be able to hear one side of a conversation. However, noticing how your child is reacting may be a reasonable indicator of the general mood. Dealing with both the frustrations of a game as well as troublesome people can serve as useful life lessons, but as a parent, you know your child better than anyone else. If you notice your child is getting too upset or angry, that's the time to intervene and try to encourage them to take a break from the game.

## Meet our expert

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