




Weekly Newsletter

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This week's focus: Letter from the Education Secretary

This week the school received a lovely letter from Damian Hinds MP, the Education Secretary, for our standards in Reading and Maths. It is not often that schools receive such letters so I have published it below. Thank you for your continued support.
Adam Richards, Headteacher



Sanctuary Buildings, 20 Great Smith Street, Westminster, London, SW1P 3BT
tel: 0370 000 2288 www.education.gov.uk/help/contactus

Mr Adam Richards
Headteacher
Penponds School
Higher Penponds
Camborne
Cornwall
TR14 0QN

/ February 2019

Dear Mr Richards,

We would like to congratulate you, your staff and your pupils on the very high standard of achievement demonstrated in the reading and mathematics Key Stage 2 assessments last year.

Your school's results, as published on 13 December, show that 100 per cent of your pupils reached or exceeded the expected standard in reading and mathematics at the end of Key Stage 2. This means that for achievement in reading and mathematics, your school is in the top 1% of primary schools in England.

We want to equip every child with the fluency in reading and mathematics necessary to prepare them for a successful secondary education and beyond, and your school has provided this to all your pupils.

Thank you for producing such high standards through your hard work and professionalism, and congratulations again to you and your staff for all you have achieved.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Rt Hon Damian Hinds MP
Secretary of State for Education

Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP
Minister of State for School Standards

Dates for your diary:

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Monday 11th February—
NEXUS Maths Masterclass
8.55am

Tuesday 12th February –
Mousehole Trip for Carn
Brea and Trecrom classes

Thursday 14th February –
Open Afternoon in Carn
Brea Class

Friday 15th February
5.30pm to 7pm – Valentine
Disco

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18th-22nd February – half-
term break

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Tuesday 26th February –
King Edward Mine Trip for
Tregonning Class

Thursday 28th February –
Breadmaking in Class 3

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Monday 4th March
NEXUS Maths Masterclass
8.55am

Wednesday 6th March –
World Book Day
celebrations – dress up day
and Snuggledown at 6pm

Wednesday 6th March –
Taste the World/Rainbow
Choices for Class 3 in the
Hall

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11th-15th March – British
STEM week

Monday 11th March –
Shoobox Racer Competition

Tuesday 12th March –
Cornwall Records Office Trip
– Trecrom and Tregonning
Classes

Thursday 14th March –
Science Adventures Show –
in the Hall

Safer Internet day

All the classes have celebrated Safer Internet day this week and investigated various ways of keeping themselves safe online. Godolphin Class shared the story of Smartie the penguin from; <https://www.childnet.com/resources/smartie-the-penguin> The children learned how to cope if pop-ups appear on a game on a tablet, what to do if people are unkind online and what happens if a website is not for their age group. To remind the children to tell the story back at home to parents they made Smartie the penguin masks and badges.



Tregonning class spent Friday afternoon investigating the difference between Consent and Permission linked to online images. They examined various online and offline permissions and discussed the differences between companies and organisations sharing your data and friends sharing your pictures online.



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Monday 18th March
NEXUS Maths Masterclass
8.55am

Tuesday 19th March –
Parent meetings

Wednesday 20th March –
Parent meetings

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Tuesday 26th March – RMAT
Gala Performance at The
Regal Theatre, Redruth

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Monday 1st April
NEXUS Maths Masterclass
8.55am

Thursday 4th April – Last
Day for children

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Friday 5th April – INSET day
– no children in school

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Tuesday 23rd April – First
day back for children

Thursday 25th April – Beach
Safety talk in the Hall

Friday 26th April – Pasty Day
– pasties for lunch to
celebrate Trevithick Day

Saturday 27th April –
Trevithick Day, Camborne

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Monday 29th April
NEXUS Maths Masterclass
8.55am

Tuesday 30th April – Class 3
swimming (morning
session) replacing lesson on
21st January.

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Monday 6th May – Bank
Holiday

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Monday 13th May
NEXUS Maths Masterclass
8.55am

13th-17th May – SATs week
for Year 6

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Monday 27th May – Friday
31st May – Half-term
holiday

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3rd-5th June – Trecrom
Class - Camp at Eden

Baking in Godolphin Class



This week Mrs Floyd visited Godolphin Class to make saffron buns with the children. We had a wonderful time kneading the dough and watching it rise and then smelling the delicious smell as the buns baked in the oven. Thank you Mrs Floyd for baking with us!



2nd-4th July – RMA London Trip – Tregonning Class

Friday 12th July – Penponds Family Festival

15th-19th July – Work Experience Students in school

15th and 16th July – Transition Days for Year 6 at CSIA

Wednesday 24th July – last day for children

Thursday 25th July – INSET Day

Attendance and Awards for week 28th January – Friday 1st February

Attendance %:

Carn Brea: 98.89

Godolphin:

Y1 – 96.08

Y2 – 96.91

Trencrom: 97.14

Tregonning: 97.86

Attendance Trophy:

Carn Brea

Awards:

Top Table – Mia, Oliver G, Charlotte, TJ

Carn Brea – Freya, Ia, Oliver, Godolphin -

Y1 – Joshua, Mia, Freya D

Y2 – Ava, Brody, Emily R

Trencrom – Daniel, Vincent, Harvey

Tregonning – Ben, Lilly, William

Headteacher – Gina, Morley, Mylo, Jowan, Brody, Summer, Emily C,

Maths – Hermione, Janise, Summer, Evie, Alfie G-W

Youth Speaks 2019

This year's Youth Speaks competition was held at Pool School: two teams from Penponds School took part. On the first team were Eloise, Alice and Thomas and on the second team were Ruby, Gina and Jake. Everyone who took part did really well. Both teams from Penponds School did exceptionally well. Well done to all the teams that took part from Troon, St Meriadoc, St Day and Crowan. At the end some people came over to our team from other schools and said that they thought we should have got through but in the end the judges' decision was final. Thanks must go to Mrs Oxford for helping us learn our speeches and family and friends for supporting us. Good luck to the teams for next year. **By Ruby and Gina**

Talent Show

On Friday 1st February the school council organised our school talent show. Pupils took part from Classes 2, 3 and 4. They did very well and we are grateful for their bravery. Thank you for all your donations. Altogether we raised £32 that will be sent to the charity, Scope Disability. We are pleased to say that everyone did amazingly well and it was a tough decision to decide the winners. Everyone put together an excellent and enjoyable performance and we really hope that you enjoyed it too! **By Alice and Lily**

RMAT Cup

On Wednesday 6th February, children from Reception Class went to St Meriadoc Infant School to take part in the Rainbow Cup. The sport was football and they played four games. They won two of the games but unfortunately didn't win the Rainbow Cup. A big well done to Mack, Oliver, Joel, Annabella, Ia, Isobel, Lily, Maddie and Emily and thank you to Jake and Gina for helping on the day.



Safer Internet Day – Competition

This year's theme is: Together for a better internet.

To celebrate Safer Internet Day Penponds School would like to launch a new E-Safety competition following on from our previous competition in the Autumn term. We are looking to build pupil's knowledge and share safer internet messages throughout school and the wider community. This term's competition involves making a resource on one of the following topics:

Attendance and Awards for this week:

Attendance %:

Carn Brea: 100

Godolphin:

Y1 – 95.42

Y2 – 95.68

Trencrom – 94.6

Tregonning - 97.44

Attendance Trophy:

Carn Brea

Awards:

Top Table: Ruby, Jasper L-L, Freya D, Mack

Carn Brea: Mack, Annabella, Austin,

Godolphin:

Y1 – Kaira, Grace, William

Y2 – Freya B, Harry, Lily, Olivia

Trencrom – Lily, Elijah, Jayden

Tregonning – William, Alfie, Ellena

Headteacher – Leon, William B, Elffin, Chloe, Harvey, Fleur

Maths – Holly T, Toby, Sophie J

Prefect: Eloise, William G, Alfie M

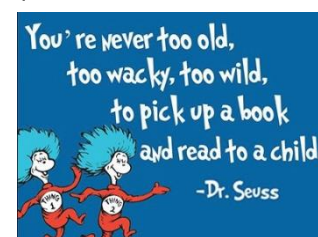
Cornish Phrase for this week:

Fenten eus obma



Spring is here

Quote of the week:





- Self-Esteem
- Fake news and critical thinking
- Cyberbullying
- Online reputation

Children are welcome to display their resource in any format they choose, eg DT/Art, song or rap, use a programme on the computer eg animation, ppt or even make an online safety quiz. **Closing date for entries is Thursday 28th February** – prizes will be given out in celebration assembly on Friday 1st March. Good luck. We look forward to seeing your entries.
Internet Guides link:

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Carn Brea Class (EYFS) Open Afternoon

Parents are invited into Carn Brea class to celebrate their child's learning on Thursday 14th February from 2pm – 3.30pm. They will be treated to a story time from the children, a tour of our learning environment and a look at their child's work this term. This will also be an important opportunity for you to speak to your child's teacher and input your ideas for future teaching and learning in Carn Brea class. We hope as many of you as possible will be able to attend.

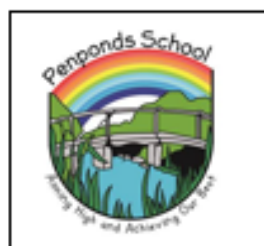
Valentine's Disco

We are holding a Valentine's Disco on Friday 15th February for the children. Adults can drop off their child at 5.30pm and collect them at 7pm. Cost is £2 per child which includes a hot dog and a drink. Pay on the door please.



Parent Pay

Thank you to all the parents that activated accounts on Parent Pay online payment site this week. The site went live on Monday for Penponds School with a few problems their end. We are assured everything is well again now so if you haven't done so yet please sign up and activate your account to make online payments for lunches, swimming, trips etc.



Teaching Vacancy

Penponds School are looking to appoint a competent **key stage 2 teacher** to work as part of their dedicated team.

We are looking for a committed, enthusiastic and approachable team member who can help continue to raise standards and improve our school. The successful candidate will be an excellent teacher who is passionate about developing lifelong learning skills for all children within the class.

Penponds School is part of The Rainbow Multi Academy Trust, working in partnership with Troon School, St Meriadoc Infant Academy and St Meriadoc Junior Academy where we believe that together, we are building a brighter future for our children. We are looking for a new member of staff to embrace and support our schools in creating an environment where the children have the opportunity to aim high and achieve their best every day.

Job Details:

Location	Penponds School
Post	Key stage 2 teacher
Grade/salary	MPS
Hours per week	Full time
Contract	Permanent
Application closing date	Monday 4 th March 2019 at midnight
Interview date	Tuesday 19 th March 2019
Other information	Start date: September 2019

The Rainbow Multi Academy Trust is committed to safeguarding the safeguarding of our [students](https://www.penponds.comwall.sch.uk) and the successful candidate will be subject to an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check.

Visits to our school are welcome by appointment. For an application pack or to make an appointment please contact Mrs Jo Wood by telephone 01209 713929 or email secretary@penponds.comwall.sch.uk



Trevada Music's Camborne store will once again be taking part in the National Learn To Play Day on Saturday 23rd March. We will be offering free taster lessons in our store throughout the day.

Lessons are available to adults and children of any age with the chance to try Guitar, Violin, Piano, Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Oboe, Bassoon, Trumpet, Cornet, Flugel Horn, Tenor Horn, Baritone Horn, Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba and Drums!! Instruments will be provided where needed.

If you or anyone you know has ever wanted to have a go at a particular instrument then here is your chance to try for FREE with a qualified tutor.

Please book your slot early to avoid disappointment by calling 01209 714353 with your chosen instrument and your contact details.

We look forward to hearing from you!

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9 Chapel Street
Camborne
Cornwall
TR14 8EF
Tel: [+44 \(0\)1209 714353](tel:+441209714353)
www.trevadamusic.co.uk

Karate Lessons at Troon Church Hall



Karate Lessons available every Tuesday and Thursday at Troon Church Hall, from 6.30pm – 7.30pm.

£2 per child. This is a family run club, established for 30 years. Grades and Competitions. Contact: Mr David Trescothick on 01209 710 940.



School emergency closures

A guide for parents / carers

We recognise that the decision to close a school in the event of an emergency (e.g. snow, flooding, no water or heating) significantly impacts upon you, as parents / carers. This guide outlines the agreed procedure which all schools are asked to follow and offers advice to parents / carers on the key things to consider, both before and after the decision to close has been made.

Guidance given to schools

Guidance and procedures are sent to all schools on an annual basis, usually at the start of the autumn term. To prevent the possibility of fraudulent school closures, schools are required to follow a verification process before providing school closure information. Schools are then asked to:

Undertake a risk assessment, using common sense to determine whether it is feasible for children and staff to remain in the school; and if not, what subsequent risks could arise by sending them home. Before school hours start, schools are also asked to assess if the roads are safe for children to travel to school.

Seek approval from the Governing Board (usually the decision of the Chair of Governors will suffice) to authorise the decision to close.

Notify Cornwall Council and the three local radio stations (BBC Radio Cornwall, Heart FM and Pirate FM). Providing the school follow the agreed procedure, each of the radio stations have all agreed to broadcast details of all school closures.

We will publish a list of current school closures on the Cornwall Council website at www.cornwall.gov.uk/schoolclosures and on our social media channels.

Know your school's procedure

Although schools are asked to follow this procedure, schools should have their own plan of action to be followed in the event of a closure. This should include details of how parents will be notified (e.g. via radio, text message, social media, etc). It is essential that schools communicate their plan to all parents as early as possible, and equally that all parents familiarise themselves with the agreed plan.

Who to contact

If the decision is made to close, you will be notified by the school's agreed notification procedure. Should you need to contact the school directly, please be aware that the line(s) may be busy or unavailable when a large number of parents are calling at the same time.

Useful websites

Cornwall Snow Advice
www.cornwall.gov.uk/snow

Met Office
www.metoffice.gov.uk

Environment Agency
www.environment-agency.gov.uk

Devon & Cornwall Police
www.devon-cornwall.police.uk

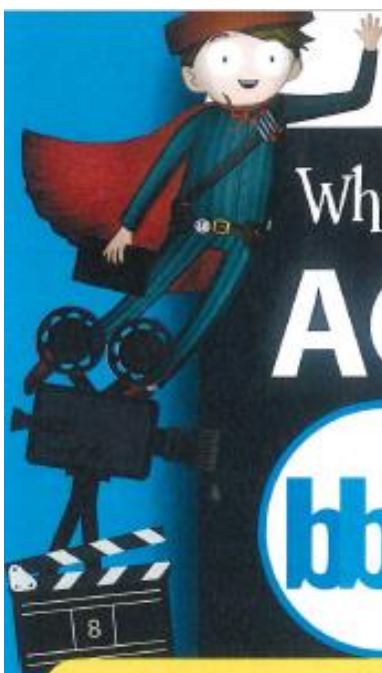
If you would like this information in another format please contact:

Cornwall Council, County Hall, Treyew Road, Truro TR1 3AY

Email: equality@cornwall.gov.uk Telephone: 0300 1234 100



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What parents need to know about AGE RATINGS



bbfc

If you have children, it is understandable to have concerns about the films and TV shows they watch, as well as the games they play. In this guide, we take a look at the two official ways you can assess if a particular title is suitable for your child. Both the BBFC and PEGI have search facilities on their websites that can be used to look up individual titles so you can check their ratings.

PEGI



RATINGS FOR FILMS, TV & MUSIC VIDEOS

Since 1912, the BBFC (British Board of Film Classification) has informed UK residents of the age suitability of films, TV and music videos - providing parents with the information needed to assess whether or not it is appropriate for their child's age. This applies to cinema releases, DVDs and streaming video services such as Netflix.

WHAT ARE THE BBFC RATINGS?

BBFC ratings are broken down into seven age categories:



Universal, suitable for all ages



Parental Guidance required



Suitable for people aged 12 and over



Suitable for people aged 12 and over; any risk must be accompanied by an adult



Suitable for people aged 15 and over



Suitable for people aged 18 and over



Adult content only available in specially licensed cinemas and specialist retailers

WHAT ELSE CAN BBFC REVEAL?

Accompanied with the age suitability rating, BBFC also provide an additional warning regarding the content and what to expect, such as swearing, sexual content, violence and anything you may consider to be inappropriate for your child. In addition to this, the content is also rated in three levels: frequent, mild or strong.

LIMITATIONS OF BBFC RATINGS

It's important to note that there is no obligation on streaming video services to use or display BBFC ratings. Due to this, we advise that you check the rating online before your child streams the content. It may also be a good idea to watch the content first yourself or discuss it with other parents to help you decide whether or not it is suitable for your child.

Source: www.bbfc.co.uk

RATINGS FOR GAMES

PEGI (Pan European Game Information) is a content rating system that ensures all video games are labelled with a minimum age recommendation. These age recommendations are based on the types of content featured within a game. With each game, PEGI also provide a content descriptor that indicates the potential issues and concerns, including sex, violence, bad language and drugs.

WHAT ARE THE PEGI RATINGS?

PEGI ratings are split into age restriction and content descriptors. Additional 'content descriptors' help parents and children to understand the type of content featured within a particular game, including sex, fear, bad language, discrimination, gambling, drugs, violence, and in-game purchases. In combination, the two different ratings can provide a good level of information to help make informed decisions regarding the suitability for your child.

PEGI age ratings are broken down into five categories:



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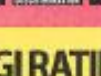
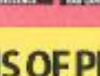


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PEGI content descriptors are broken down into eight categories:



LIMITATIONS OF PEGI RATINGS

It's possible for young people to buy games online without a required proof of age, opening them up to age-inappropriate content without you knowing. We advise that you regularly monitor your child's gaming activities and maintain a honest and healthy dialogue with them about the online world.

PARENTAL CONTROLS

It is a good idea to put in place parental controls for all online accounts which your child may use to purchase or download online games e.g. The App Store, Google Play Store, PlayStation Store and Microsoft Xbox Store etc.

Source: www.pegi.info



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A whole school community approach to online safety
www.nationalonlinesafety.com

Email us at hello@nationalonlinesafety.com or call us on 0800 368 8061





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Come along to: **Internet Safety Workshop** to help you
keep your family safe online

Being held at: **Roskear Link into Learning** next to
Roskear Primary School, Camborne

On: **Tuesday 5th February 9:15am – 11:45am**
Safer Internet Day

All parents/carers welcome!

Places are limited

For more information and to reserve a place, contact your **Family Learning** tutor
Vicki Salvidge on 07968 992495 or vicki.salvidge@cornwall-acl.ac.uk

It's easy to apply online today!

www.cornwall.gov.uk/adultlearning
Call 0300 1231 117





Free

Passionate About the Spectrum

Need some friendly advice but don't know who to ask?

We are offering a Passionate About the Spectrum course for parents/carers and families with children aged 5-12, the course will run over **6 sessions**.

Sessions include:

- Increased understanding
- How ASD affects the individual
- Practical suggestions to try at home
- Support and advice
- Includes rewards, routines and rules that work and much more!

Further information

For more details please contact your local Family Hub

**Fridays 1st March – 5th April
9.30-12.00**

Helston Family Hub, Bulwark Road, Helston, TR13 8JF

For referrals and booking please contact the Early Help Hub – 01872 322277



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PLUS **POP-UP SHOP** | **RAFFLE** | REFRESHMENTS SERVED ALL DAY | CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

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Cornwall Air Ambulance
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Saving more time
Saving more lives

Join our memory walk
www.chsw.org.uk/mmw
For the first time we're inviting men to walk too!

10th anniversary Moonlight memory walk

Making memories together with every step

Saturday 30 March 2019 ☺ Falmouth ☺ 9.30pm

Entry only £10
Includes T-shirt, goody bag and medal



Our five mile sponsored Moonlight Memory Walk is an uplifting night out where we remember our loved ones and join together for a special candle lit ceremony. The ceremony allows walkers an opportunity to reflect, remember and celebrate the lives of loved ones.

By taking part and fundraising in memory of your loved one, you'll be supporting local families, helping them to create their own precious memories that will last a lifetime.

Can't make the evening? There are other ways you can get involved and still be part of this special event. Please visit our website for details.

To sign up please visit www.chsw.org.uk/mmw or call 01726 871 800

Join us on our Facebook event page for more information



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SPECIAL HALF-TERM FAMILY COOKERY WORKSHOP

for

Primary School Families

Create a delicious **HOT MEAL** and receive a **FREE SLOW COOKER!**

Join us for a **FREE** cookery workshop. Plus, **FREE** breakfast (toast/fruit/drink) and late morning snacks are available too.

Children can enjoy arts & crafts as well.

Everything is provided!

It's essential to pre-book!

<p><u>RECIPE:</u></p> <p>Golden Shephard's Pie or Vegetable Shepard's Pie (served with fruit for pudding)</p>	<p>Monday, 18th February (10am-1pm)</p>	<p><u>LOCATION:</u></p> <p>CAMBORNE CENTENARY METHODISH CHURCH (TR14 8DP)</p>
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If you or your child(ren) have any food allergies or dietary requirements, please tell us! We always do our best to offer alternative ingredients, where possible.
The cookery workshops are for families whose children receive FREE SCHOOL MEALS.



BOOK ONLINE VIA:

http://www.littlekitchenmagicians.com/booking_form/

or

For more information contact

Little Kitchen Magicians: 07968 606 580 / lizzie@littlekitchenmagicians.com

or

Transformation CPR: 01209 714 592 / TransformationCPR@hotmail.co.uk

The Jam opens at 10 o'clock and is free to all. There is plenty of free parking right outside and the best entrance is via Trevenson Road. Children under 16 must be accompanied by a responsible adult at the Tech Jams.

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10am - 1pm

TECH JAM

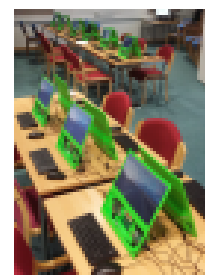
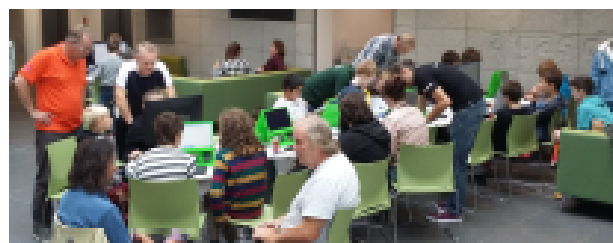
For anyone interested in technology,
for all ages and abilities

Cornwall's Tech Jams are run by volunteers working in IT and education throughout the Duchy, in association with Software Cornwall and local businesses. The Jams run from 10am to 1pm on the second Saturday of the month, alternating between venues in the Pool/Camborne area, Bodmin and Penzance. They are free to attend, you can turn up whenever you've got time and stay for as long as you like.

Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult though.

We have 20 Raspberry Pi computers enabling you to experiment with and learn how to:

Program Robots, Code into Minecraft, Compose Music with Sonic-Pi, Launch Rockets, Control Traffic Lights, MeArm Robotic Arms, BBC MicroBites and more.



for directions see cornwalltechjam.uk

