



**Weekly Newsletter**  
**Autumn 2020 – 6**  
**Monday 19th October 2020**

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**This week's focus: Trencrom Class**

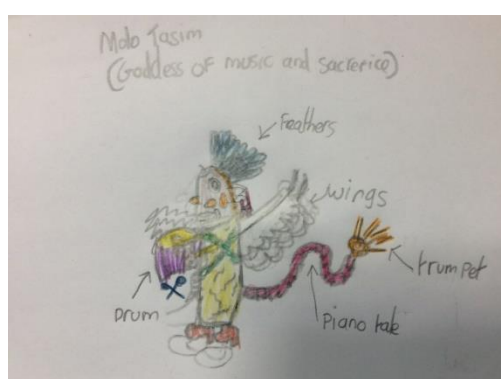
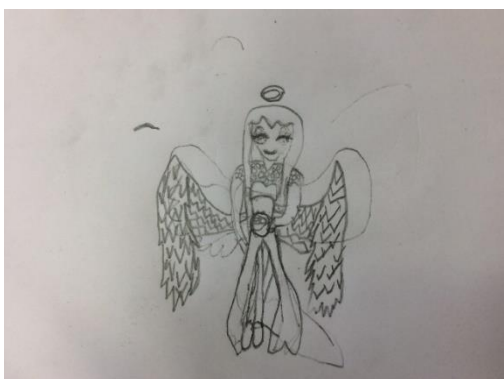
Trencrom Class have been busy this week. Year 3 have been using the Base 10 equipment to add and subtract from 3 digit numbers.



In Science, we have been observing the different conditions that plants need to grow.



In our topic work, we have learned about the gods of the Maya. We have drawn and designed our own Mayan Gods / Goddesses.



**Dates for your diary:**

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October** – Nasal Flu vaccinations – all children

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November** – School Photos – individual portraits

**Half-Term Dates:**  
 26-30<sup>th</sup> October 2020

**Last day for children is Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October** as Inset Day is on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

**Inset Days:**  
 Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2020  
 Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021  
 Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2021  
 Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2021

**Attendance and Awards for this week:**

**Attendance:**

Carn Brea: 100%  
 Godolphin:  
 Y1 – 100%  
 Y2 – 95%  
 Trencrom – 100%  
 Tregonning – 96%

**Attendance Trophy** – Carn Brea, Godolphin Y1, Trencrom

### **New Lunch Menu – started the week beginning 12<sup>th</sup> October**

Please see attached new lunch menu from Chartwells – as usual it is on a 3 week rolling programme and this week we will be on **week 3** of the menu. There will be Jacket potato options each day in addition to the main menu but no school packed lunch option. Meals are free for all children in Reception, Y1 and Y2. If your child is in Year 3, 4, 5 or 6 there is a charge of £2.40 per meal payable please on Parentpay prior to your child ordering lunch at morning registration.



### **Important - Changes to the start and finish of the day**

Having listened to feedback from parents, we have made the following adjustments. Reception children can arrive at the same time as Year 1 children in Carn Brea Class at 9.00a.m instead of 9.15a.m. At the end of the day children in KS2 can be picked up between 3.15 and 3.30p.m - this is to help parents who have to pick up younger siblings at 3.15p.m so they are not having to wait around in the playground for long periods of time. Mrs Richards and Mr Hooper will open the KS2 doors at 3.15p.m but please collect younger siblings first if you need to. KS2 children must be collected no later than 3.30p.m.

Please try to follow social distancing guidelines - stay at least 2 metres apart and if this is not possible then consider wearing a face mask. As soon as you have collected your child/ children please leave the school site promptly to avoid heavy congestion. Thank you for support.

### **Nasal Flu Vaccinations – Parental Consent**

On Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October Kernow Health will be visiting the school to administer the nasal flu vaccination to all children. You should have received a letter via Schoolcomms (this was also posted on Class Dojo) on how to submit your consent to ensure your child receives their vaccination. Please follow the instructions to complete the online consent form by **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October latest**. If the consent form is not submitted your child will not be vaccinated. The school code is now working.



### **Parent Consultations**

We will be holding parent meetings the week beginning the 9<sup>th</sup> November. This will be an opportunity for you to discuss with your child's class teacher how they have settled in, the progress they are making and areas they are currently working on. If your child is on the SEND register you will also be able to discuss your child's individual education plan. Unfortunately, we are unable to invite parents into school for the meetings as we would normally. All consultations will therefore take place over the phone. You will be sent a link to book an appointment with your child's class teacher in the next few days.

You will also need to let the class teacher know (via private message on Dojo) which phone number you would prefer to be contacted on for your meeting. Teachers will then call from school at the time you have booked. Meetings will take place as follows:

### **Class Certificates awarded this week:**

**Lunchtime:** Kelyn, Jack, Brody, Alfie K

**Carn Brea:** Eden, Arlo, Hartley, Bella

**Godolphin:** Ia, Elffin, Jack

**Trencrom:** Leon, Joshua, Erin

**Tregonning:** Jowan, Evie, Ellie

**Headteacher:** Joseph, Thomas, Emily C, Ethan, Ava, Alfie K, Vincent

### **World Food Day**

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October

**Theme** Grow, Nourish, Sustain Together

### **"Testimony" by Brian Donnell James**

I was a teenage father then, with little money  
My wife and I saved our lunch so our son could eat

And we went without a meal that day  
As night approached we had hoped he would sleep until morning

And with every twist and turn he made, my anxiety rose and fell

But as toddlers do, he rose hungry  
Rubbing circles on his belly  
He was trying to be a big boy

Trying to control the desperation,  
I saw in his eyes  
I nodded to my wife



**Carn Brea (Miss Berry)** - Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November 4-6pm and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November - 2-5p.m  
**Godolphin (Miss Souch)** - Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th November 3-6p.m  
**Trencrom (Mrs Richards)** - Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 3-6p.m  
**Tregonning (Mr Hooper)** - Monday 9th and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November 3-6p.m

And gathered change from everywhere, anywhere

Between cushions and under couches  
 Closets, desk and cabinet drawers

And I was off to shop with newly found pocket change

Enough for instant noodles, kool aid, bread, and peanut butter

Even as I counted out the change, and people in line smirked and commented

The cashier and I knew I didn't have enough

My eyes swelled, and I Tried to control my desperation

She smiled and said, "well that's just enough"  
 Bagged my food

And I left  
 Walking back to our little apartment

I will never forget that feeling  
 Emotion overcame me

Not embarrassment or shame  
 Just thankfulness

Just love

I'd do anything

For my boy

### Warning!!!

You may have read in the news recently that children in London have been treated in hospital after eating 'Cannabis-laced sweets' <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-london-54420635>

The Police have information that the products the children took are being circulated in the Devon and Cornwall area so we wanted to make you aware of this. As you can see from the attached photographs provided, they are easily mistaken for sweets that children may take or be offered without them realising what it is they have in front of them.



### Poppy Appeal

We will be supporting the British Legion poppy appeal again this year. From Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October until Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November poppies will be available for a small donation. We will also be selling zip pulls (50p), Poppy reflectors (50p), Wristbands (£1.00) and snap bands (£1.50). If you would like your child to make a donation or buy one of the fundraising products please send them in with the correct amount of change. Thank you for your continued support.



## Posters

Please see information below about:

- The New Chartwells Menu
- Breakfast / Afterschool Club Booking Form
- Link to Blackbird Pie magazine
- What's On at Gwealan Tops Adventure Playground



Nexus Covid Secure Campus Tours on 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> October

Argyle Community Trust – Turn up and Play Mini Soccer  
Centre at Carn Brea Leisure Centre







Breakfast Club and After School Club Booking Sheet – Autumn 2020

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

Parent/Carer Name & Telephone Number: ..... Payment made: .....

DAY	DATE	BREAKFAST CLUB	AFTER SCHOOL CLUB				Payments
		<b>£3.50</b>	3.30-4pm	4-4.30pm	4.30-5pm	5-5.30pm	<b>£2 per session</b>
		siblings £2.00					siblings £1.50
Monday	2 <sup>nd</sup> November						
Tuesday	3 <sup>rd</sup> November						
Wednesday	4 <sup>th</sup> November						
Thursday	5 <sup>th</sup> November						
Friday	6 <sup>th</sup> November						
Monday	9 <sup>th</sup> November						
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Friday	27 <sup>th</sup> November						
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### "BlackbirdPie magazine goes virtual!"

You can view it on a computer, tablet or mobile phone.

The virtual magazine is filled with great things to do, videos, links and interactive stuff. There are lovely places to visit, wonderful walks and museums and galleries to visit (with safety measures in place).

This is our first attempt at an online magazine so please let us know if there are any glitches.

The format has chapter headings and then you can flow down into each section for more information.

Please subscribe so we can send you a link to the next issue.

Happy reading, keep safe and well and have a great autumn.

Simon, Vanessa, & the Blackbird"



Blackbird Pie magazine – the 'What's On' for families in Cornwall

[BlackbirdPie 2020 Autumn](#)

<https://blackbirdreads.turtl.co/story/blackbirdpie-autumn-2020/>


Due to the current Covid 19 pandemic we feel it is unwise to distribute paper magazines so we have gone 'virtual' and produced a Blackbird Pie magazine that you can view online on a computer, tablet or mobile. The aim is to provide news, information and activities which enrich families' lives.

1 A GOOD HEAD AND A GOOD HEART ARE ALWAYS A FORMIDABLE COMBINATION. BUT WHEN YOU ADD THAT TO A LITERATE TONGUE OR PEN, THEN YOU HAVE SOMETHING VERY SPECIAL

2  $R_{ab} - \frac{1}{2}Rg_{ab} = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4}T_{ab}$


# INTRIGUED?

FIND OUT MORE AT OUR OPEN EVENTS




# NEXUS

For more information, go to our website  
[nexuscsia.co.uk/openevent](https://nexuscsia.co.uk/openevent)



We invite you to our  
**Nexus Virtual Tour**  
Wednesday 14th October  
– Online at 6pm –  
Presentations from  
Nexus' Leadership Team & Staff.





After taking part in our virtual school tour,  
you can attend the school in person for a  
**Covid Secure Campus Tour**  
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Albert Einstein's General Theory of Relativity, 1916.

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1 An inspirational quote by Nelson Mandela.



## Dads and Kids Breakfast Club

**Dad's and Kids Breakfast Club is a Saturday morning group for fathers, grand-dads or male carers with children of all ages, both boys and girls.**

The sessions give dads and their children the opportunity to spend time with each other, mix with other dads and kids, and have fun! This is an all weather outdoor group but we do have shelter if needed. Children are natural explorers and are likely to get messy given the chance so it's best that they dress (and you) with both this and the weather in mind. Sensible shoes for outdoors are essential!

**SESSIONS ARE ON THE FOLLOWING DATES 10:30 AM - 12 NOON**  
September 26th | October 24th | November 21st | December 12th

**COME ALONG FOR PLAY AND BACON BUTTIES!**

Covid-19 safety measures in place so limited numbers. Please let John know if you are coming or want more information at [manager@gwealantops.org](mailto:manager@gwealantops.org)  
Parking is available.

At Gwealan Tops Adventure Playground, School Lane, Redruth, TR15 2ER  
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## The Big Read Fest.

AT  
**GWEALAN TOPS**  
ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

We had big plans for a 'Reading' festival to be hosted at Gwealan Tops Adventure Playground in May 2020. Unfortunately, we had to initially postpone and then cancel the event. We were, however, able to host a 'Virtual Readfest' on May 16 2020 (visit the Facebook Page to see events from the day) and have now rescheduled the event for **Saturday 15th May 2021**.

Having received a grant from The Arts Council to run the festival, we look forward to working alongside local authors and performers to bring you an extremely exciting event!

With live performances and storytelling throughout the day, a chance to 'meet the author', a reading corner with a Book Swap, a range of workshops suitable for all ages, plus lots of fun activities, this is sure to be an exciting day to extend and develop the imaginations of children and young people across Cornwall.

The Festival will take place on-site at Gwealan Tops Adventure Playground, which will have a team of experienced staff working on-site throughout the day. With a range of craft and activity stalls, as well as food and drinks vendors, there will be plenty to keep the whole family entertained! Watch this space for further details!



Gwealan Tops Registered Charity Number



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# What's on



Gwealan Tops Adventure Playground, School Lane, Redruth, TR15 2ER

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