



**Weekly Newsletter**  
**Autumn 2021 – 8**  
**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

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### BBC Children in Need

Today we celebrated Children in Need. This year's theme was "Together We Can". To mark this Penponds School children came to school dressed in certain colours of the rainbow. Each Year group was allocated a colour.

Year 6 **Red**  
Year 5 **Orange**  
Year 4 **Yellow**  
Year 3 **Green**  
Year 2 **Blue**  
Year 1 **Indigo**  
Reception **Violet/Pink**



We created a whole school rainbow to share - "Together We Can". Thank you for all your donations to Children in need. We have raised £56 today. If you would like to donate please pay £1 on Parentpay.



### Dates for your diary:

#### Swimming Lessons Tregonning Class Y5/6



Every Monday afternoon until the end of this term  
except Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November when school is closed

#### Sports4Tots extra-curricular Reception, Year 1 and 2 children pre-booked with Nick Eagles

Began Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November  
– spaces available please  
contact  
[nick.eagles@sports4tots.org.uk](mailto:nick.eagles@sports4tots.org.uk) or 01209 832 312

#### Extra-Curricular Clubs

Began Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November

Except no clubs week  
beginning Monday 29<sup>th</sup>  
November due to parent  
consultations

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

## Carn Brea Class



## Camborne Lantern Parade Friday 26th November

It is lovely that Camborne Lantern Parade is being held this year albeit on a smaller scale. Schools have been asked to invite their oldest year group only this year and for them to be accompanied by one parent/carer. We understand that this will be tricky for some families so we would like to gauge how many of Year 6 children will be able to join in. Year 6 parents have been sent a letter. Please complete the reply slip at the end of the letter and return asap. If we have enough Year 6 children who are able to attend, a lantern-making workshop will be planned. In normal times, of course parents/carers would be welcomed into school for these workshops, however due to the levels of Covid in the Camborne/Pool/Redruth area we are unable to make a decision at the present time.



## Festive School Lunch



**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December**  
Please email with Mrs Wood with your order by Friday 26th November.

See attached menu for our school Festive Lunch on Wednesday 15th December. Jacket Potato option will still be available with cheese/beans and if they prefer children can still bring in a packed lunch from home.

Please could you email Mrs Wood by **Friday 26th November latest** with your child's choice for that day. No need to choose a dessert.

1. Turkey Roast
2. Quorn Roast

## Camborne Lantern Parade Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November

### Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2021

School will be closed due to a day off in lieu of the extra Bank Holiday/Platinum Jubilee

### Parent Consultations

30<sup>th</sup> November and 1<sup>st</sup> December – book through online booking system

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### 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. Please can parents/carers **donate 50p** towards the cost of party food through Parentpay. Much appreciated.

### Last Day of Autumn Term

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021

### First Day of Spring Term

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022



3. JP Beans
4. JP Cheese
5. JP Cheese and Beans
6. Own packed lunch

Cost is Free for Reception, Year 1 and 2. Payment of £2.40 for Y3/4/5/6 children via Parentpay please.

### Parent Consultations 30<sup>th</sup> November and 1<sup>st</sup> December

Parents Consultations will be held on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November and Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December between 3pm and 6pm. These will be face to face in the Hall and can be booked online using the following link:



<https://cal.smoothbook.co/5da5ce6f84e31e7aa72ad4c2>

Just copy and paste the link to your web browser. If you haven't registered before you will need to Register/Create Password before you can book a timeslot.

Parents/Carers should arrive on site at the main office door at their allocated time and can leave via the external hall door to ensure a one-way system to minimize the amount of people in the Hall at any one time. So people are not waiting out in the cold we will have a timer set in the hall to ring after your 10 minute slot so consultations don't overrun. If you wish to speak further with the class teacher after your 10 minutes please call the school the next day to arrange. Please note there will be no extra-curricular clubs this week.

### Christmas Videos

Due to the Covid restrictions on gatherings in school at the moment and in light of how long it takes to plan, rehearse and present performances and concerts, this year we will be creating Christmas videos to share with parents/carers via Dojo. Only children with consent for "Dojo" will be able to be part of the videos. If you would like to change or check your child's dojo permissions please contact Mrs Wood in the office.

### Christmas Tree Decorations

This year all children will be able to make a decoration at home and bring in if they wish to hang on our school Christmas tree. Please can children bring in their decorations **by Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December**.



### Posters

- Festive Lunch
- Little Acorns – Christmas Cake

### Inset Days:

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2021**  
– in lieu of Platinum Jubilee holiday in June 2022

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: 87%

Godolphin: 93%

Trencrom: 87%

Tregonning: 87%

### Class Teacher Awards



#### Carn Brea

Loccy, Zac, Robyn G

#### Godolphin

Emily, Agnes, Bella

#### Trencrom

Emily R, Elijah J-D, Grace

#### Tregonning

Daniel, Harry M, Bella

## 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:

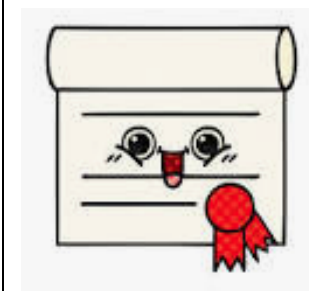
- You book a PCR test if you are a household or close contact of a confirmed COVID-19 case
- We are asking for household contacts of a case who attend an educational setting to take a daily rapid LFD test for 7 days

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.

## Head Teacher Awards



### Carn Brea

Zaci J-D

### Godolphin

Harper, Keegan

### Trencrom

Zara, Kaira

### Tregonning

Olivia, Emily

### Quote:

"In London everyone is different, and that means anyone can fit in."

Paddington Bear



### Poetry and Music

Music exposes children to rhyme, rhythm, and repetition, which are some of the same skills needed to learn to read. Because poetry has cadence, rhythm, and rhyme, music may be used to complement it. All cultures use music to communicate, and the sounds and rhythms of music cross cultural boundaries.

## 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:

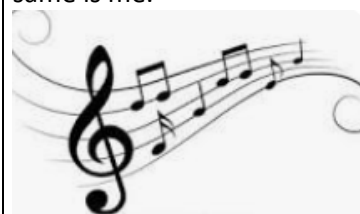
- staff member who was in close contact with the person testing positive has indicated they are not exempt from self-isolation, but the person testing positive was unable to provide that person's details to NHS Test and Trace.
- it is particularly difficult for the person testing positive to identify 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

### Poem:

Music is Poetry  
An expression of the heart.  
I can feel it in me when the  
music starts.  
My blood is flowing,  
My mind is free.  
It's beautiful when someone  
Is feeling the same as me.  
Words are a pristine way to  
uplift  
An emotion.  
My words are my heart.  
My paper is my sleeve.  
I wonder if someone feels the  
same is me.



# FESTIVE MENU!

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December



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## MAINS

Roast Turkey or Roast Quorn  
Fillet

Served with Roast Potatoes,  
Carrots, Peas, Stuffing, a Mini  
Sausage and Gravy

## DESSERTS

Chocolate Dipped Shortbread  
Festive cupcake

Choice of Fruit

**DON'T FORGET! SCHOOL MEALS ARE FREE FOR ALL PUPILS  
IN RECEPTION, YEAR 1 OR YEAR 2.**

**PLEASE SPEAK TO YOUR SCHOOL FOR MORE  
INFORMATION AND TO SIGN UP TODAY!**



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