



BURYAN BULLETIN

The newsletter of St Buryan Academy

Welcome to our 2022/23 school year!

Yesterday we were all sad to hear of the loss of Queen Elizabeth II. In terms of the next steps regarding schools, we will open as usual until, or unless, we receive further guidance from the Department of Education. We, of course, will keep you informed as and when we know more.

It doesn't seem too long ago that we were celebrating the Queen's Jubilee with our tea party and commemorative mugs and books; this memory now carries more weight and importance and the tokens that the children received from those celebrations may now have more meaning and will be something to look back on. This morning we reflected on the Queen's life and all she lived through during her reign as our longest serving monarch. We also discussed changes that we may see from stamps, money and of course, The National Anthem.

This year our newsletters will be sent out fortnightly; for the first week your child will receive a paper copy as well as it being sent out over email and on our website. It is important to check your emails from us so you know of upcoming dates or other information, these will be communicated to you in various ways like our social media pages, website and text service.

If you have not yet updated your contact details, along with other information require, then please do so on this link (also available on the emailed version of this newsletter): <https://forms.gle/tr32MEuzAkE8kdnYA>

Our after-school clubs start next week. To book your child onto a club, please see the information and booking form available here (also available on the emailed version of this newsletter): <https://forms.gle/MZxoytzsNMxdBL6z7>

Swimming started this week for Penberth and Nanjizal Class. Each class will swim for half a term on, half a term off and we will always notify you of this. Due to the rise of costs, which has impacted the school, the price of transport has increased and therefore we have had to put our voluntary donation to help cover swimming costs up to £4 per week. This is available to pay through ParentMail. Thank you for your support and understanding with this.

It has been an exciting week back for our children. It's been great to kick-off the school year as we mean to go on with lots of high quality learning and opportunities. Swimming, as always, was an instant success as was our Forest School with Porthcurno Class. Again, every class will have at least a half terms worth of Forest School throughout the year. We also introduced our French lessons throughout the school this week, led by Mrs Wilson. It is only a requirement to teach French in Key Stage 2; however, we felt that all of our children should have the opportunity to access this learning in order to develop their skill-set and to not just prepare them for their secondary education, but also life outside of school.

Next week we welcome Mrs Day, a Drama teacher from Cape Cornwall. She will be with us every other Tuesday working with children throughout the school.

We have lots of other exciting things planned for the term. Some early dates for your diary include the visit of Richard Pomfrett of the Stay Safe Initiative who will be leading an anti-bullying workshop and safety mentor workshop with our children; this will take place on 12th October.

Before that, on the 7th October, our Key Stage 2 children will have an amazing opportunity to learn from the famous author, Dan Freedman. Dan is known for writing the 'Jamie Johnson' book series which have since been turned into a TV series by BBC! This will be a really exciting event for our children with the aim to really inspire their writing.

Look out for newsletters from your children's class-teachers over the next couple of days. These will tell you about their upcoming learning contexts, events and routines.

Have a great weekend

Mr McDonald and all at St Buryan Academy

TERM DATES 2022-23



AUTUMN:

5 SEPT - 16 DEC

(HALF TERM 24 OCT-28 OCT)

SPRING:

3 JAN - 31 MAR

(HALF TERM 13 FEB-17 FEB)

SUMMER:

17 APR - 25 JUL

(HALF TERM 29 MAY-2 JUN)

2022/23 INSETS

5TH SEPTEMBER 2022

21ST OCTOBER 2022

3RD JANUARY 2023

5TH JUNE 2023

25TH JULY 2023

26TH JULY 2023

CONTACTS

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Further contacts are available on our website.



Remember:

Thank you for making the effort with children wearing recognised and correct uniform.

-Reception and KS1 have PE on Mondays

-Key Stage 2 have their PE sessions on Thursdays

Remember that school starts at 8.45am and finishes at 3.15pm.

Key Stage 2 children should go into their classes at 8.45am, Reception and Key Stage 1 children may have some social time outside from 8.45am before lining up with their teachers.

Leading Edge Academies Partnership

We need you!
Trustee Vacancies

Voluntary – expenses reimbursed

Leading Edge Academies Partnership (the Trust) is a local partnership of academies in south west Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly, formally established in August 2018 and currently consists of two secondary schools (Mounts Bay Academy and Fowey River Academy), one all through school (Five Islands Academy) and three primary schools (St Hilary School, Ludgvan School and St Buryan Academy).

Trustees are responsible for leading the strategic direction of the Trust and their primary role is that of governance, as the executive leadership team is responsible for the operational matters.

The ideal candidate will have experience of contributing to board or committee meetings and be able to make a commitment to the Trust and devote the necessary time. The full board meet three times per year on a termly basis, as do the Education, Finance & Resources and Audit & Risk Committees.

We are looking for Trustees who have strategic yet sensitive leadership and authority, with the ability to innovate, challenge assumptions and contribute views and experience. The new Trustee will also have skills and experience in one or more of the following areas:

- Finance and Accounting
- Human Resources
- Business
- Risk Management

We are looking for Trustees who have:

- Integrity
- A commitment to the organisation, its objectives, vision and values
- An understanding and acceptance of the legal duties, responsibilities and liabilities of trusteeship
- A willingness to devote the necessary time and effort to their duties as a trustee
- Strategic vision
- Good independent judgment
- An ability to think creatively
- Willingness to speak their mind
- An ability to work effectively as a member of a team

We are particularly keen to achieve a more diverse Board of Trustees and welcome applications from all sectors of the community. Previous experience in an educational setting is not required for this role.

If you have the motivation and experience to help us make a difference to people's lives, please contact Laura Sadler, Trust Governance Professional for an application pack:

☎ 01736 688441 or email: laura.sadler@leadingedgeacademies.org

For an informal discussion about the role of Trustee, please contact Jackie Eason, Chair of the Trust Board on jackie.eason@leadingedgeacademies.org

For further details about our Trust, please visit our website:
www.leadingedgeacademies.org

Please send your completed application form to Laura Sadler, Trust Governance Professional, Unit H Pattern Shop, Trevoan, Hayle, TR27 4EZ.
The successful candidate will be subjected to reference checks and an enhanced DBS disclosure.

Leading Edge Academies Partnership

We need you!
School Governor Vacancies

Voluntary – expenses reimbursed

We are looking for people in our local community who can share their skills, experience, viewpoints and fresh ideas in a school which is part of the Leading Edge Academies Partnership. We are seeking to appoint additional co-opted members to join our Local Academy Committees across the Trust, particularly at St Buryan Academy.

This is a voluntary role and the appointment is for a four-year term of office.

What does the LAC do?

Each LAC has responsibility for day-to-day governance within the school. Core functions include:

- Ensuring there is clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
- Holding executive leaders to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils and the performance management of staff
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent
- Ensuring the voices of stakeholders are heard
- Monitoring and evaluating the performance of the school

The LAC is accountable to the Leading Edge Board of Trustees.

Why become a school governor?

- You will work with other parents and local people who are committed to making Leading Edge schools the best they can be
- You will share and apply skills you already have and learn new ones
- You will have the opportunity to give back to the school and the community it serves

More general information on what being a school governor entails can be found on the National Governors' Association website: www.nga.org.uk

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