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#### Dear Parents and Carers,

Educational researchers are becoming increasingly worried that children are not making the long lasting memories of experiences that their parents remember when they themselves were children. Many of these memories are of the outdoors and researchers are suggesting that this problem is linked with the reduced amount of time many children now spend outdoors exploring their environment and learning amount nature. The good news is that our children have been out and about all week! Read on...

# **GWENVER VISIT TO THE WOODS**





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Gwenver Class enjoyed an amazing day in the woods on Monday, kindly hosted by Paddy and Mike Hersant. Making the most of the brilliant sunshine they spent the morning sketching, collecting bugs and Plant Hunting before enjoying their picnic lunch. Having eaten it was time to join Miss Green on a Bear Hunt! Having struggled through the long wavy grass, oozy mud, snow storm (of white petals) and dark, dark tunnels they were delighted to find a bear- luckily it was of a friendly variety. Grateful thanks to Mr & Mrs Hersant for their hospitality.





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# Penberth's Farm Visit

On Tuesday a group of 21 children from Penberth Class and Little Choughs visited Cadan and Harvey's parent's farm at Toldavas. They enjoyed looking at many different vegetables which they counted and tried to recognise. They explored the poly tunnels and planted a pumpkin seed to take home. They also brought some new potatoes back to school to cook and sample.

Many thanks to Morwenna and Richard Bone, who made great hosts, as well as the parent helpers without whom the visit would not have been possible.





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# **'LOOK AT MY SHOES!' ARCHIE & WOODY VISIT SCHOOL**

Yesterday Archie and Woody, Fire Dogs based with the Fire Investigation Unit at Cornwall Fire and Rescue, visited all our classes before demonstrating their investigative skills on the school field. Archie was amazingly quick in sniffing out tiny amounts of hidden accelerant. His handler, Mark, told us that he could investigate the whole school in 20 minutes rather than the 2-4 hours that would be taken by mechanical means. Amazing! Mark also shared some important Fire Safety information and showed us special equipment; we were particularly impressed by Archie's fire shoes...



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<u>Music Lessons:</u> Anna Dowling, an experienced peripatetic music tutor, visited school yesterday to perform in a whole school assembly. Anna has been working in schools for the last 10 years, has offered to provide affordable lessons in school for anyone interested in learning the violin, fiddle or piano. **All children are welcome from all year groups**. We enjoyed singing together, clapping rhythms

From Reception to Y1 children the focus is on developing musical skills through games, songs and rhythms. Lessons are focused on enjoyment and gaining an understanding of music.

From Y2 the focus is on developing technique and skills, developing confidence and having fun.

Lessons are £6 for an individual 20 minute lesson or £4 for a lesson shared with one other pupil.

Payments may be made weekly or half termly. There is no charge for missed lessons or absence.

Children are offered the chance to take grades, music theory and Music medals.

Visit Anna's website at <a href="https://www.annadowlingviolin.com">www.annadowlingviolin.com</a> for more information or contact school if interested.





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## **Breakfast Club:**

Our Governors met this week to set the school budget for the next academic year, a challenging task.

Unfortunately the school is no longer able to completely subsidize Breakfast Club as it has done for a number of years.

From the start of next half term, Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June, a charge of £1 per child per morning, will be payable when signing in or £5 weekly per child paid in advance on Monday.

# **Dinner Money**

The school is no longer in a position to offer any form of credit meaning that all school dinner money must be paid by the end of the week in which they are taken or in advance. Thank you



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St Just Cricket Club is delivering All Stars Cricket for 5-8 year old's, starting on 23rd May 2017 at St Just Cricket Club. This will fun packed and a great opportunity to learn cricket skills, develop their social skills whilst engaging with other and their parents. To sign up go to allstarscricket.co.uk, today to get your All Stars bag, hat, top, bat, ball and water bottle.



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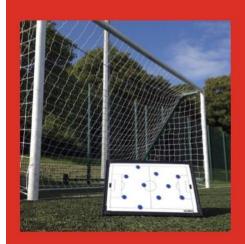
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# **FOOTBALL CAMPS**

\*\*HALF TERM FUN\*\*
THURS 1ST JUNE - CROSSBAR CHALLENGE
FRI 2ND JUNE - DRIBBLING CHALLENGE

WITH MOUNTS BAY FDC



MOUNTS BAY ACADEMY SPORTS CENTRE, HEAMOOR, PENZANCE, TR18 3JT

#### **SOCCER TOTS**

4 - 6yrs | 10am - 12pm 1 day £6 | 2 days £10

#### **SOCCER PROS**

7 - 13yrs | 10am - 3.30pm 1 day £15 | 2 days £20





**CONTACT INFO** 

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# **Summer Term Sports**

This year's Sports Day will be on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July. Timings are listed on Calendar section of website.

Should we need to postpone due to the weather the same timings will move forward one day until suitable.

As we are already practising for this event please make sure your child's PE kit is in school every day during the Summer term. Thank you.

# **Friends of the School**

Summer Fete News: This year's Summer Fete will be held on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July 3-6pm. There will be the usual mix of stalls including cake stall, Lucky Square raffle, Soak the Teacher (always popular!), plant stall, Hook a Duck, Tombola, Lucky Bags etc. There will also be a **Barbeque** serving delicious burgers and hot dogs so don't worry about having to cook that evening- why not come along and enjoy having your meal in the company of the school community? All funds raised will go towards providing much needed resources for your children so we hope that you will support us and encourage all your family and friends to come along too!

This term our Friends have provided a new interactive LCD screen, a class set of Primary Atlases, maths resources, wood working materials and over one hundred new library books.



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# A message from Kernow Health to all school staff and parents concerning the school based nasal 'Flu Vaccine

Flu immunisation is a key part of protecting the health of Y1, 2, 3 children each winter. The safety and effectiveness of the flu vaccine is of paramount concern to all healthcare workers administering the vaccines, as it is to parents and schools. The information contained in our letter is to help reassure all school staff, parents and children about the safety and effectiveness of nasal flu vaccines.

# Their letter can be found on the Parents section of our school website

<u>Any old tools?</u> Mrs Kwiatkowska is in the process of introducing workbench woodwork activities and would welcome any offers of unused tools which may be lurking in your shed. Any woodworking tools will be welcomed, particularly items such as hammers, screwdrivers, vice etc.





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# Half Term Break - Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May-2<sup>nd</sup> June

# Sainsburys Vouchers:

Rally the community, every voucher counts

Active Kids vouchers can no longer be collected from Sainsbury's, but they can still be donated to St Buryan Primary School until 30 June. Remember, every voucher counts towards brand new cooking and sports equipment, and experiences.

Get the kids to look in the car, on the fridge, under the sofa and in every old shopping bag for any missing vouchers. We would love to receive any vouchers you are able to find.

A collection box is situated in reception.

#### Menu Week After Half Term -WEEK 2

# <u>Extra-Curricular Activities</u>; <u>Breakfast Club</u> from 8am all week-<u>last food orders</u> **8.40am**

Monday- KS1 Ball Skills until 4pm, Homework Club (Y5-6) until 4.15pm

Tuesday- Tennis Club (Y3-6) until 4.15pm

Wednesday- KS2 Cricket Club and Art Club Y3+4 until 4.15pm

Thursday- Rounders (Y3-6) until 4.15pm

Friday- 'Let's Get Cooking' (new Y5 Group 3)



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#### Activities R Us -

Short Stay Session to 4.15pm only £2.00 full session until 5.30pm £4.00 Monday- Badminton Bonanza Tuesday- Bubble Painting Wednesday- Summer Fete Crafts Thursday- Junk Modelling Friday- Make n'Bake

<u>New Childcare Information for parents from the government</u>- please follow this link: <a href="https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/?utm">https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/?utm</a> source=Foundation+Years&utm campaign=1a0 693eb0e-

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#### Request from 'Activities R Us'

Do you have any complete board games in good condition that you no longer need? Any Lego or Top Trumps? If so, any donations would be gratefully received by the Activities team.

## A Message for Parents/Carers from St Just Community Library

"The trustees of St Just Community Library are still working hard to ensure the future of this important facility, and are confident of progress towards taking it over for the community later this year. St Just Town Council has now committed to a generous grant towards the running costs of the building for at least three years, but we still need money to undertake some of the urgent repairs that are required, so we are busy applying for grants. One of these needs your help:

We have applied for a grant from Calor Gas to pay for the repainting of all the outside woodwork, and for new signs and noticeboards. They will only consider our application if it receives a large number of online nd th public votes, and that voting has to take place between 22 and 26 May. Please put these dates in your diary, and tell all your friends and family. We will send you information on how to vote as soon as we have it. Make sure that the community supports us in our efforts to secure the future of our library!"

Thanks for your help. Kind Regards Ginny March co-chair St Just Community Library



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Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May- Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

Summer Term 2

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 8.55am

## Enjoy the Half Term Holiday!



## **Save this Date in your Diary:**

## Family Hawaiian Beach Party/ Disco

A Fun Hawaiian Themed Evening for the whole Family-more details to follow

Thursday 20th July 7-8.30pm



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