# **NEWSLETTER 31 March 2022**



#### Dear Parents and carers

It has been an extremely busy month with lots of brilliant activities happening. Key highlights include World Book Day where we had author and storyteller Clive Pig join us for a day of exciting activities and a cricket enrichment day which was enjoyed by pupils and staff alike. We have also taken part in cross country competitions and has a selection of our children perform at Songfest. Thank you to all the staff involved in organising these activities for our children and a huge well done to the children for representing our school so brilliantly.

Earlier this month, we undertook a recruitment process for a new full-time teacher from September. We were extremely lucky to have a very strong field of candidates and after a very rigorous process, Shelley Jeffery was appointed. The idea will be that we will keep a three-class structure with two classes having a full-time teacher and the third class being a job share between Ms Humphries and the headteacher. Once the new headteacher is appointed, we will be able to begin to give you an idea of which teacher will be teaching which class.

I am very sad to announce that after 28 years at Trekenner, Sue Collings will be leaving at the end of this term. Sue has had an incredible impact during her time here and will be missed by pupils and staff alike. FOTs are doing a collection for her on their Facebook page so if you would like to contribute, please feel free to do so.

We have had several incidents relating to mobile phones and snap chat over the last couple of weeks. I understand that mobile phones and technology play a big part of children's lives nowadays; however, I just wanted to advise everyone that the age limit of snapchat is actually 13. The site is not always as secure as people think and whilst it may seem harmless it is very easy for children to fall into a situation where they are at risk. If you do wish for your child to use apps like this, we strongly suggest that they are strictly monitored as we have become aware of some quite serious incidents related to these apps.

Finally, I just wanted to make sure everyone is aware that if children bring phones into school, they need to be handed into the class teacher or the office rather than kept on the children or in their bags. Children should not be using phones at all during school time; therefore, there should be no reason why they cannot be handed in and stored securely in our safe. This is for several reasons but mainly because we cannot guarantee the safety of the children's phones if they are in their bags.

The next newsletter will be at the end of April but do keep an eye on Facebook and class dojo as we will post examples of learning and key information throughout the month.

Marc Wheeler Headteacher

DIARY DATES .....to cut out and keep!

April		
2 <sup>nd</sup>	2pm – Duck Race (sorry, no dogs)	
4 <sup>th</sup>	RNLI visit to School – meet the lifeguards and learn about beach safety	
5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup>	3.15pm-6pm – Parents Evenings	
8 <sup>th</sup>	12.15pm – Duchy Cross Country Race	
8 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of Term	
25 <sup>th</sup>	Inset Day	
26 <sup>th</sup>	Pupils return to school	
May		
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bank Holiday	
25 <sup>th</sup> – 27th	KS2 Residential Trip. Fun activities in school	
27 <sup>th</sup>	Break up for half term	
June		
6 <sup>th</sup>	School closed in lieu of Queen's Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday	
7 <sup>th</sup>	School re-opens	
Please note, dates are added to the diary all the time as staff consistently try to adapt provision and		
plan new learning experiences for children as they become available so please keep an eye on class		
dojo for any updates.		

## Parent communications.



Newsletters are now going to be monthly rather than fortnightly. We will end ever to ensure all relevent information is on the newsletter well in advance but where additional things come up, we will use the dojo platform to share this with you. Please also remember that you can use this platform to communicate with both your class teacher and Mr Wheeler if needed.

## **Duchy College Cross Country**

On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April the second Duchy College Cross Country race is taking place for KS2 children. Letters have been given to the children who've requested them. Help will be needed with transport, so if anyone is able to transport their own children or offer lifts to others please let the office know.

#### **Friends of Trekenner School**

We're very excited about our Duck Race which is this Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 2pm. There is no parking available at the river, so please either park at Dunbia or in Treburley Industrial Estate in front of the units on the left hand side. It's a very pleasant ½ mile walk downhill along a country lane to the river. The race is on private land so unfortunately no dogs are allowed. Afterwards, we'll be gathering at Treburley Social Club, PL15 9PU, for a cake sale and prize giving. The bar will be open. It's always great fun so please bring friends and family.

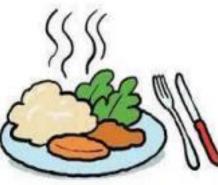
Ducks are available to buy in the office or via Facebook. Please leave any easter egg donations in the office. Donations for the bake sale can be brought to school on Friday or dropped into the social club before the race.

Our FOTS team is always on the lookout for new members. Many thanks to Steph Williams who has taken on the role of Treasurer. If you are interested in helping, please speak to Kelly or Helen. I'm sure offers of help for the Duck Race would be much appreciated. All parents and carers are very welcome to come along to any meetings and to help plan fundraising activities.

#### **Barton Hall Residential**

Only 8 weeks to go! Mr Lewin conducted a survey to see what activities the children would like to pick and they helped him put the activities in order of preference. We look forward to

hearing from PGL to find out what they'll be doing. Please make sure that the second deposit is paid before the Easter Holidays.



## School Meals

The current menu continues after Easter and in addition children will be able to choose the option of a packed lunch.

Having a healthy meal in school helps to aid children's concentration and engagement in the afternoon. Please remember that children in Squirrel class are entitled to a free school dinner.

For children in Key Stage Two the cost is £2.50, but this is great value for money and the tasty meals that our wonderful cook Caroline provides for us really is worth the money!

School dinners can be booked on the day through your child's class teacher.

It would be helpful if all dinner money, or indeed any money, could be brought into school clearly labelled with the child's name and what it is for.

# Please can all outstanding dinner and swimming money be sent to the office as soon as possible.

Next Newsletter during week commencing: 29<sup>th</sup> April 2022

#### **VOUCHERS / TOKENS / PRINTER CARTRIDGES:**

Your help with these collections will be very much appreciated.....

Store / Product	What we Get	Scheme Ends
Printer Cartridges	A new scheme run by The Recycling Factory is now operating. However, only small inkjet cartridges can be recycled mainly Hewlett Packard, Epson, Dell Kodak, Samsung and Canon	Open ended

**Equality** To keep up with the constant changes in current legislation, we are asked to measure the impact of our equality schemes. If you would like to be involved in this process, please contact me. If you feel that you or your children are ever treated unfairly in any way, please make sure that I know about it. I would also like to remind you that if you wish to discuss your child's progress at any time, appointments can be made with the teachers at the office.

**Safeguarding** If you have any concerns about the welfare of a child or young person, there is a new telephone number at Cornwall Council – 03001231116. All calls will be handled by a professional social worker who will listen to the concerns and decide what action needs to be taken. Alternatively, please speak to Mr Wheeler who is our designated Safeguarding Officer.

If you have any comments concerning the school, please enter them in the box below and return it to Mr Wheeler. Thank you.

> Should you wish to contact the school the telephone number is 01579 370435 or email secretary@trekenner.net

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