



NEWSLETTER

16th July 2020

Dear Parents

We have come to the end of a very different school year. We have faced huge challenges within the school and I have been extremely proud of the way our children and staff have adapted to such difficult times. Many of the staff continued to teach our children at different locations as well as being involved with online teaching as well. The teachers and teaching assistants who were unable to be present in person have aided the other members of staff by dedicating themselves to online teaching. I would like to thank them all for their efforts in maintaining standards and keeping the children motivated.

The children have also adapted well to the new methods of teaching. Undoubtedly, they all missed their friends and the normality of school. It has been wonderful to see the children of our allocated year groups return to us. We have also managed to invite more children back to school, many on a part time basis, as restrictions are lessened. I would like to thank also our parents who have been incredibly supportive and understanding as we have tried to work out the best options for the children. Thank you also for continuing their teaching at home with the online lessons.

In the middle of the lockdown, there were some very big developments for the school. As you have been made aware, the school is facing a budget shortfall. As a result, we are extremely sad to be saying good bye to Mrs Sheppard, Mrs Davies and Mrs Lambert who have all chosen to take Voluntary Redundancy. They will all be missed by the children and remaining staff hugely and I would like to personally thank them all for their enormous contribution to Trekkenner School. We wish them all luck for the future.

The School Governors also announced that the new Head teacher would be Mr Marc Wheeler. Mr Wheeler is very excited about his new position and he is looking forward to starting in September and meeting the children and their parents.

We have also come to the end of our current year 6 schooling at Trekkenner. I would like to wish Jasmine, Ella, Verran, Lexi, Harold, Emeline, Finley, Jessica, Liam, Connor, Isabel & Kelsie the best of luck for the future and thank them for their contribution to Trekkenner School. We will miss you all and wish you and your families the best luck.

On a personal note, I would like to thank everyone for their good wishes as I leave Trekkenner. I have written to parents, governors, staff and members of the local community, which will be sent home shortly, to reflect on my time as Head Teacher but I would again like to thank everyone connected with the school who has made my time so rewarding. Thank you all and goodbye - I wish you and your families all the best for the future.

David Reardon
Headteacher

DIARY DATESto cut out and keep!

September	
3 rd	Teacher Training Day
4 th	Teacher Training Day
7 th	School reopens to pupils
October	
23 rd	Last day of school
November	
2 nd	School reopens to all pupils



Pre-School News

Presently, due to safety and staff restrictions we are not able to offer this facility from September. We very much hope to open the Pre-School in the near future.

Mrs Davies would like to personally thank all the children and their families for their good wishes to her and her family whilst she has been in charge of the Pre-School. She wishes all the children and their families good luck for the future.

Volunteers We are very keen to hear from anyone in the local community or any parents who may be able to help out in the school under a voluntary basis. We are specifically looking for helpers with reading, sport, general classroom assistance and admin help. If you think you may be interested, subject to suitable checks, we would be delighted to hear from you.

Breakfast Club Sadly, under the present restrictions we are not able to offer Breakfast Club for our children and their families when we return in September. This is because we have to keep the children in their class bubbles which will not be possible in the Breakfast Club. We will review the situation as soon as we are able.

Please return – any items that you may have at home including plates, library books and sports kit before the end of term. Thank you.

School Uniform If any parents are considering buying uniform for the new school year, please bear in mind that we only keep a limited amount of stock in the office. We will naturally reorder at the end of term, but parents will not be able to collect these items until September.

Classes for New School Year – From September the teaching classes will be as follows

Reception, Year 1, Year 2	will be taught by Mrs Harrison, Mrs Humphries
Year 3 & Year 4	will be taught by Miss West in the morning
Year 5 & Year 6	will be taught by Mr Wheeler in the morning
Year 3, 4, 5 & 6	will be taught by Mr Wheeler and Miss West in the afternoon

Leavers information Friday 17th July is leavers day. We will be holding a very different Leavers Day this year as we sadly cannot open our doors to parents. We aim to say goodbye to our children at 11.00am which will be followed by the traditional Leavers Picnic. The school will close at 1.00pm for cleaning. We are aiming to produce a slide presentation which will be made available to year 6 parents through a shared drive. Year 6 parents will be sent an email enabling them to access the file. Please access before the end of the term as it will not be available after 23rd July. Year 6 will only be attending the school on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings next week, finishing at 12.30pm each day.

For other children, these are the arrangements for the last week

Those children attending in the morning only in Squirrels and Owls to be collected by 12.30.
For children attending afternoons transitions sessions:

Squirrels please arrive 12.45-12.50 collect 2.55-3.05

Badgers please arrive 12.50-12.55 collect 3.05-3.15

Owls arrive 12.55-1.05 collect 3.15-3.20

For the Thursday morning

Badgers 8.50-9 arrive and collect 12-12.10

Owls arrive 9-9.10 collect 12.10-12.15

Friends of Trekenner School

This has been a strange year for FOTS. Many of our plans unfortunately were cancelled which obviously affected the amount of money that we were able to raise for the school. We did however hold our annual Christmas Hamper evening which was a great success. The FOTS committee would like to thank everyone who has helped in any way during the last school year and we hope to resume our efforts when things return to normal.

SCHOOL MEALS:

The School will have a new catering provider in the Autumn Term. Our contract with Chartwells has ended and we will be starting a new one with Aspens. The same daily price of £2.50 will be charged. We hope to have the new menus very shortly.

Information regarding future Newsletters Following the success of contacting parents and children through class dojo and emails, we will not be sending home paper newsletters in the future. All newsletters will be placed on the school website and class dojo for parents to read.

SPORT:

We have taken the difficult decision that under the present circumstances, we are unable to offer any after school clubs. We will review the situation later in the term.

There will also not be any swimming lessons this term for safety reasons.

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 Reardon 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 Reardon. Thank you.

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

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FOR CLUBS, HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES ETC.**

All providers have confirmed that they hold all necessary accreditation, qualifications and insurance to organise and run the events and activities described. No duly appointed officer of Cornwall Council has inspected these services and parents must make their own enquiries and satisfy themselves as to the suitability of the providers before engaging their services. In all the circumstances, neither the school nor Cornwall Council will accept any liability arising out of those events.

Cornwall Council

2020/21 school term dates for community and voluntary-controlled schools



CORNWALL
COUNCIL

September 2020						
Mon	7	14	21	28		
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24		
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

October 2020						
Mon	5	12	19	26		
Tue	6	13	20	27		
Wed	7	14	21	28		
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	
Sat	3	10	17	24	31	
Sun	4	11	18	25		

November 2020						
Mon	2	9	16	23	30	
Tue	3	10	17	24		
Wed	4	11	18	25		
Thurs	5	12	19	26		
Fri	6	13	20	27		
Sat	7	14	21	28		
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

December 2020						
Mon	7	14	21	28		
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24	31	
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

January 2021						
Mon	4	11	18	25		
Tue	5	12	19	26		
Wed	6	13	20	27		
Thurs	7	14	21	28		
Fri	1	8	15	22	29	
Sat	2	9	16	23	30	
Sun	3	10	17	24	31	

February 2021						
Mon	1	8	15	22		
Tue	2	9	16	23		
Wed	3	10	17	24		
Thurs	4	11	18	25		
Fri	5	12	19	26		
Sat	6	13	20	27		
Sun	7	14	21	28		

March 2021						
Mon	1	8	15	22	29	
Tue	2	9	16	23	30	
Wed	3	10	17	24	31	
Thurs	4	11	18	25		
Fri	5	12	19	26		
Sat	6	13	20	27		
Sun	7	14	21	28		

April 2021						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tue		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	
Sat	3	10	17	24		
Sun	4	11	18	25		

May 2021						
Mon		3	10	17	24	31
Tue		4	11	18	25	
Wed		5	12	19	26	
Thurs		6	13	20	27	
Fri		7	14	21	28	
Sat	1	8	15	22	29	
Sun	2	9	16	23	30	

June 2021						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tue		8	15	22	29	
Wed		9	16	23	30	
Thurs		3	10	17	24	
Fri		4	11	18	25	
Sat		5	12	19	26	
Sun		6	13	20	27	

July 2021						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tue		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	
Sat	3	10	17	24	31	
Sun	4	11	18	25		

August 2021						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue		3	10	17	24	31
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thurs		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun		1	8	15	22	29

School holidays

Bank holidays

Christmas Day	25 December 2020
Boxing Day	26 December 2020
Bank Holiday (in lieu of 26 Dec)	28 December 2020
New Years Day	01 January 2021
Good Friday	02 April 2021
Easter Monday	05 April 2021
May Bank Holiday	03 May 2021
Spring Bank Holiday	31 May 2021
Summer Bank Holiday	30 August 2021

AUTUMN TERM (72 days)

3 September - 18 December 2020
(HALF TERM 26-30 October 2020)

SPRING TERM (59 days)

4 January - 1st April 2021
(HALF TERM 15-19 February 2021)

SUMMER TERM (64 days)

19 April - 23 July 2021
(HALF TERM 31 May - 4 June 2021)

195 days are included on the school calendar. Schools will be open to pupils for 190 days. The 5 additional days are allotted for In-Service Training.