



NEWSLETTER

17th September 2021

Dear Parents and carers

It has been wonderful to welcome our children back to school, say a big hello to the newest members of our community and see the children settling into routines so brilliantly over the last two weeks. There has been a wide range of exciting learning happening throughout the school including some fabulous music, launch days in all classes, some super Science investigations in Badger class and much more.

I would like to say a big thank you to all of our new staff: Mr Lewin, Mrs Jeffery and Mrs Newbitt who are already becoming excellent members of our school team. I would also like to say a thank you to Mrs Hancock who had her first two weeks as our main school secretary and is doing a brilliant job. There is a slight backlog as a result of changes in office staff so please accept our apologies if there are a few delays initially. We appreciate your patience with this.

Another thing to celebrate is the extensive improvements that have been made to our school building over the holidays. Thanks to the hard work of FOTs, your kind donations and the hard work of Mr Hancock- our Vice-Chair of Governors, many parts of the school have undergone a complete transformation. I will include a few photographs at the end of this newsletter for you to see for yourselves.

As a final note, please remember that we are at the time of year when weather can change very quickly. We are very keen to allow children to get outside and enjoy the fresh air as much as possible; therefore, we would be grateful if you could make sure that children come into school with coats.

Marc Wheeler
Headteacher



DIARY DATESto cut out and keep!

September	
20th	First Swimming Session for Owl class
27 th	Vision Screening for Year One
27 th	Badger class meet the teacher (timings to be sent out by class teacher)
30 th	American Day for School Lunches.
October	
1 st	Harvest festival (details to follow as soon as the church confirms)
7 th	Bag to school collection
11 th	Provisional date for Space dome visit.

Pupil Parliament elections

We will be holding elections for pupil parliament during the week commencing 20th September. Any child in any year group can put themselves forward for the parliament all they need to do is create a poster, a short speech or a presentation to persuade children in the school to vote for them. Pupil Parliament is an important role within the school as these children will have the very important job of helping me to make important decisions about the school.

Morning drop-off and after school collection

So far, our new arrangements for children being dropped off in the morning seem to be working well. As a reminder, the school gates will open from 8:40 and an adult will be available to supervise children on the playground. At 8:50, the children will then go into the classroom to begin morning learning. The start

of formal lessons is 9am and so long as children arrive before this time, they will not be marked as late. We encourage children to arrive before 9 where possible as it allows time for morning challenges and other focused learning which can be really beneficial for them.

For the first couple of weeks, parents of our youngest children have been brining their children to the classroom door, which is absolutely fine; however, we would appreciate it if children could be dropped at the gate as soon as you feel they are ready to do so. The reason for our morning arrangements is to manage congestion on the road outside of school, so having that steady flow of traffic would be really helpful.

At the end of the day, children can be collected from Owl classroom door between 3:15 and 3:30. It would be helpful for staff if you could come up to the door and ask for your child. Whilst we know most parents, some new members of staff are still getting used to everyone so if you could come up to the door and ask for the child you are collecting, that would be appreciated.

As a final note, I have been asked to remind our community about the voluntary one-way system in place. If parents could ensure they are approaching the school going down the hill rather than coming the other way, that would be really helpful.

YEAR 6 TRANSFER TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

All parents of Year 6 children should have received information regarding transferring to Secondary Schools in September 2022. All applications are made online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions Further information on this can be found [Admissions Booklet September 2022 \(cornwall.gov.uk\)](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions)

Friends of Trekenner School

Last year was a very disrupted year for fundraising; however, thanks to your kind donations and the hard work of the FOTs team, we did manage to raise enough money to paint Owl class. The school was also able to recarpet Badger and Owl class and other significant work has been done throughout the school. We would not have been able to do this without the amazing support we can from FOTs and from you all as members of our school community. As you can see, the classrooms are looking fabulous! Also, thanks to Chris Hard, carpet fitter, who took the job at a discounted rate.



If anyone would like to become a part of our FOTs team, please contact Kelly Menhenitt kmenhenitt@trekenner.net. We are always grateful to anyone who wants to get involved.



HEALTH & WELLBEING

Hello

My name is Rachel, and I am your named School Nurse, within the locality team there is a Community Nurse and a support worker. Our role is to support families and children with their health and well-being

by offering early health assessments which may lead to further support or signposting to other appropriate services.

The Team can support with matters around:

- Developmental concerns
- Toileting
- Healthy Eating healthy lifestyles
- Behavioural/emotional support
- Sleep Routines
- Oral Hygiene
- Puberty; friendships and relationships (age appropriate)
- Transition to secondary education

To find out more visit our website at www.cornwall.gov.uk/togetherforfamilies and put school nursing in the search box

Request for School Nurse Support: Client advice line Tel: 01872 322779 Mon-Fri 9:00am-5:00pm
For School Nurse referral and requests for early help Tel: 01872 322277

I have been invited by school to have a regular feature in your newsletter so watch this space for some health and wellbeing information and tips.

SCHOOL MEALS: On Thursday 30th September we are having our first themed day.



The menu will consist of:-

Burgers (or Quorn Burgers) Chips, & Salad

Brownie & Ice Cream or American Style Apple Pie

Usual cost of **£2.50** applies for each meal

All Dinner Money should be sent to the office in an envelope, clearly marked with each child's name on it. Please do not send loose cash if possible. Cheques should be payable to Trekenner School.

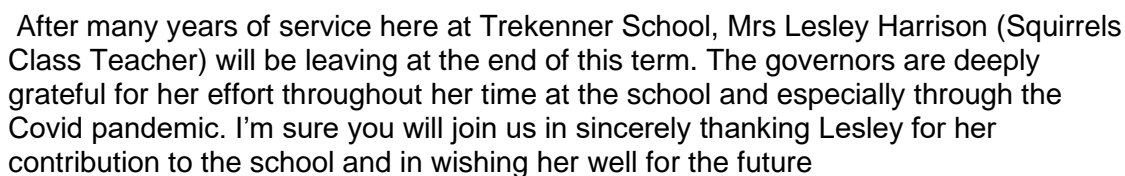
Please can all outstanding dinner money be sent to the office as soon as possible.

SPORT:



SWIMMING: Swimming lessons will start on **Monday 20th September** for Owls Class only. The bus will leave the school at 12:30pm and will return in time for the end of school. All children must have a costume and towel – swim aids, such as armbands are provided by St Mellion. The school will continue to pay for the tuition and pool hire so parents will only have to pay for the coach. Consent forms have already been sent out and we would appreciate it if these could be returned before Monday 20th.

A goodbye



VOUCHERS / TOKENS / PRINTER CARTRIDGES:

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

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.

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

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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.