

NEWSLETTER 4th April 2019

Dear Parents

The school has been selected to be School of the Month for the local area. The photographer came to the school today to take various photos of the children. Please look out for the Cornish & Devon newspaper in the coming weeks for the feature.

I would like to thank the parents who have helped the school with transport throughout the term. We seem to have come very quickly to the end of term. I hope you all have a good holiday and I look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday 24th April.

David Reardon Headteacher

DIARY DATESto cut out and keep!

April	
4 th	Easter Activities – parents welcome from 2.30pm
5 th	Last day of School – Easter Themed Mufti Day for an Easter egg donation. Film & popcorn
23 rd	Teacher Inset day
24 th	School reopens to pupils
26 th	Bag 2 School collection
27 th	FOTS Duck Race
30 th	Italian lunch menu
May	
1 st	Parent PGL meeting, 3.15pm
6 th	School Closed - Bank Holiday
24 th	Last day of school



Pre-School & Hedgehog News

We are continuing to concentrate on Easter, Spring and baby animals. We have been decorating our eggs for the competition.

There will be Learning Together sessions arranged for after the Summer half term for the new intake of Reception children. We will continue our policy of

mixing with Squirrels Class so that our Pre-School children are more prepared for September. We would like to wish all our children and their families a happy holiday and look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday 24th April.

Trebullett Chapel are starting a new **Youth Club**. It will be held at the Chapel on Friday 26th April, 6.30 - 8.00pm. All are welcome from age 8.

Residential Trip to Barton Hall As a result of such a positive response to the request for deposits for the Residential Trip, we are delighted that we will be able to take all children who expressed an interest. The total costs to parents will be £100 per child – less any deposit already received. There will be a Parents meeting on **Wednesday 1**st **May at 3.15pm** with Mr Reardon where more information will be given. All are welcome.

The link to the website is www.pgl.co.uk/en-gb/school-trips/primary-schools/centres/barton-hall

Squirrels Info As you are aware, we have been learning about toys as our history topic this term. The children have been telling us how toys have changed between the times of grandparents and those the children have now.

We have made many attempts to organise a trip to Lawrence House in Launceston. However, as the museum has been closed over the Winter, it has not been possible to take the children. As many of you already know the museum is free and has a room devoted to toys through the ages as well as various other fabulous local artefacts.

If you have time please pop along during the Easter holidays so that your child may come back and share their findings.

Friends of Trekenner School

On Friday 5th April, we will be having an Easter themed Mufti day – come to school dressed in yellow or anything to do with Easter. Also instead of paying £1 we are requesting a donation of an Easter Egg or Eggs – any size as we are having an egg tombola at the Duck Race.

We will also be hosting a film afternoon with popcorn on Friday 5th April.

We are holding our popular Duck Race on **Saturday 27th April**. Please meet and park at Treburley Club at 2.00pm for a 2.30pm race start. Sadly we are not able to permit dogs. After the race there will be refreshments and cakes available – if you are able to donate or buy a cake for the sale, we would be grateful. Ducks are available from the office to buy for £1 each and we have already received some wonderful prizes. More information will follow but please make a date in your diary to come and join us for this popular family fun day.

We are again taking part in a textile recycling scheme while raising funds at the same time. The company **Bag 2 School** collects quality second hand ladies', men's and children's clothing, as well as shoes, belts and handbags. The more we collect, the more we raise! The collection will be on the **26**th **April** so please save any items for us. Recycling bags are enclosed with the newsletter or any bin bag or similar will do. Thank you.

SCHOOL MEALS:

On Tuesday 30th April we will be having a special Italian dinner. The menu will consist of



Spaghetti & Meatballs
Vegetable Lasagne
Garlic Bread
Salad
followed by
Biscotti & Fresh Fruit.

The normal price of £2.50 will apply – there is no need to pre-book.

ONLINE GROOMING ALERT We have received information from a school in Bodmin regarding five of their pupils being groomed via the game 'Fortnite'. This person has made contact with many children and has been grooming five that the school know about. This has been traumatic for these children as they have been encouraged to perform inappropriate acts and they have been told frightening things that will happen to members of their family if they do not cooperate.

The police have been informed and are currently investigating these cases. They have found that this person has contacted these children via other social media accounts including Instagram as they have shared their details. He has also directed children to his You Tube videos.

Please be aware of what games and other media your children are accessing and ensure you and your children are aware of exactly who they are communicating with. Fortunately, this incident was reported and interventions put in place before anything more traumatic happened, There could, of course, been far more serious outcomes.



Please remember:

- Children should only access the internet in the presence of a responsible adult
- Devices should be in areas where they can be easily supervised (not alone in bedrooms)
- Children should only be engaging with games/videos etc that are age appropriate. We frequently hear from children that they are playing games way beyond their age range

Parents/Carers should be aware of who their children are communicating with and ensuring they do not share personal information. A good way of finding out if your children actually know who they are talking to is to ask them to describe who they are communicating with

We are arranging a presentation by the community police service regarding online safety for parents and children during the summer term. We will let you have the date and time as soon as we have it.

If you have any concerns about aspects of online safety, do not hesitate to contact school.

We have also arranged for PC Stoppard to attend the school during the Summer term to give parents an internet safety chat. The date will be advised to parents after Easter.

SPORT:



FOOTBALL: Sadly we were not able to play the match against Harrowbarrow. It has been provisionally rebooked for Tuesday 30th April.



CROSS COUNTRY: Our team competed very well in the recent Duchy College Cross Country race. It was a difficult course but our runners were determined and focused. Well done to you all.

Next Newsletter during week commencing: 29th April 2019

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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