

NEWSLETTER 10th September 2020

Dear Parents

Welcome back to the new school year and I trust that everyone enjoyed their holidays. Hopefully, by now all the children will have happily settled into their new classes.

A special welcome to all our new pupils in our Reception Class. We would also like to welcome Merryn, Austin, Maisie and Alfie who have joined us from other schools or Nurseries. We hope that all of our new children and your families will all be very happy at Trekenner.

We are delighted that most of our Year 1, 2 and Reception are continuing to take up the offer of Free School Meals. Please remember for **all** children throughout the school, that if you receive income support and other benefits (but not Working Tax Credit), you may be eligible for FSM. Please ask in the office for an application form as the school receives extra money for each child on the register. **This is especially important for all our children in Squirrels Class.** For the forthcoming pupil census on 1st October we will assume that all children who are entitled to a Free School Meal, will be taking it on that day.

As we start the new year I would also like to remind parents that all clothing and other possessions should be named. I would also like to repeat our request to parents about our voluntary one way system (clockwise, facing down the hill), which we like to operate at the start and end of school. At busy times, please be considerate of other users and avoid blocking the road. Also please be very careful of children getting out of cars into the road, do not stop on the yellow markings and please be aware of children emerging between cars.

We are delighted to inform parents that Mrs Hancock has rejoined the school. She will be in the School Office on Monday and Tuesday mornings at the start of the day before helping out in the Classroom as a Teaching Assistant. The School Secretary will be available on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday all day and between 9 – 10am each Monday and Tuesday.

The school now has its own official Facebook page where we will be documenting the success and achievements of our children. Photos will be used of the children showing the activities that they have been mastered during the school day. We will also use this in addition to Class Dojo and the school website for official documents or information, that we would like parents to be aware of.

I would like to thank all the children for their wonderful start to the new school year. It has been a pleasure to meet you all. I would also like to thank our parents for making me feel so welcome. Thank you also for your understanding with regard to our restrictions and safety measures and for observing our drop off and collection procedures.

Marc Wheeler Headteacher

DIARY DATESto cut out and keep!

September		
11 th	Behind Enemy Lines launch day for Badgers and Owls	
14th	Early morning catch up sessions start, 8.30am	
14 th	Owls Class – Meet the Teacher 4.00pm – information has been posted on Class Dojo	
October		
1 st	School Census	
7th	Tempest Photos	
23rd	Last day of School	

Arrangements for drop off and collection

To minimise the number of individuals gathering at one time, we will have a staggered start and finish to the school day. Children in **Key Stage One- Reception to Year 2-** should be dropped off between **8:45 and 8:55am.** Collection will be at **3.00pm**.

Key Stage two Year 3-Year 6 should be dropped off between 8:55-9:05 (unless your child is starting early for the catch up sessions) - we ask that children try to be in school as close to 9.00am as possible to allow a prompt start to learning. Children should be collected at 3:15pm

Flu Immunisation We will shortly be sending home via email information regarding the free nasal flu spray which all the children will be entitled to receive. In order to simplify the permission process, Kernow Health are requesting that parents respond to a link in the email. Please could you inform the school if you do not have internet access or have not received the email from the school by half term.

OWLS & BADGERS

Our current topic is 'behind enemy lines'.

We will be having a launch day for our new topic on Friday 11th September. On this day you are invited to come to school dressed up in World War One related costume. We would also be grateful for any help doing wartime drills from parents with any military experience or other related experiences

SQUIRRELS Within Squirrels class our topic for this term is "It's good to be me!" This term we are also looking the family history so if you have any ancestors that have made an impact on today's world e.g. inventors, artists, engineers etc. Please could you find some pictures and bring them into the classroom. We have had an exciting start to the term and have been learning our numbers outside.

SCHOOL MEALS:

The price for school dinners will be **£2.50** per meal. The temporary menu has been placed on Class Dojo and we have also added jacket potatoes starting today. Sadly, at the moment, Aspens are not offering the five for four deal so a full week dinners will cost £12.50

We can accept payment daily, weekly, half-termly or termly in advance only. Please pay promptly at the start of the new term, as due to new guidelines from Cornwall Council, we are not permitted to allow arrears to occur. All payments should be in named envelopes. Thank you.

SPORT:

We are sorry but we are currently not able to offer after school sports clubs, swimming or gymnastics due to our social bubbles.

Next Newsletter during week commencing: 21st September 2020

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
Crisp packets	Saving on behalf of the Crisp Packet Project which has been set up to support a homeless charity. Empty foil crisp packets are collected and used to create bivi bags which are distributed to those less fortunate. The bags are placed over the sleeping bags to keep them dry and warmer	Open ended
Used toothbrushes (including electric heads), toothpaste tubes, empty biscuit, cracker, cake packets & empty loaf bags	Saving on behalf of South Hill community who are recycling for Kicks Count.	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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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.