



NEWSLETTER

22 October 2020

Dear Parents

At a recent Local Parish meeting, the Councillors have agreed that the playground on the Jubilee Field can be used by our children again, although it will not be open to the general public. In order to keep our children safe and following guidelines, we will only allow one bubble to use the equipment per week.

We were delighted to see so many of our parents at our recent Parent's Evening and we hope that you found it useful. If any parent was unable to attend the meetings, we are happy to make appointments after school with your child's teacher so that you can be informed of their progress.

We appreciate how difficult the access to the school is sometimes and we are very grateful to our parents who adhere to the voluntary one way system. We have asked our taxi drivers to use the staff carpark to ease the issues at the front of the school. In addition, we have also requested that they collect the children at a slightly later time to avoid parents who maybe leaving the school.

We were very sad to say goodbye to our Catering Manager, Bex Canarn this week. Bex has been at Trekener for several years and has supported the school loyally. She has also been the Treasurer of FOTS and has helped them with their fund raising. Mrs Collings presented Bex with a token of our appreciation in front of the children on Tuesday. Goodbye and good luck Bex – we will miss you and thank you for your contribution to Trekener.

Please could we have any outstanding annual consents and permissions returned to the school as soon as possible.

Marc Wheeler
Headteacher

DIARY DATESto cut out and keep!

October	
23 rd	Last day of School
23 rd	Mufti day in aid of FOTS, Halloween themed, £1 per child
November	
2 nd	School reopens to pupils
6 th	Deadline for Tempest Photos
10 th	Nasal Flu vaccination for all pupils
27 th	Bag to School collection

Flu Immunisation We have been informed that there are still some parents who have not completed the online consent form for the forthcoming Nasal Flu Vaccination. A reminder of the details are below.

Date of Visit: Tuesday 10th November

School Code: EE111933

Nasal Flu Consent Form Link: <https://www.kernowimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

Tel No.: 01872 221105/06

Deadline to submit: Friday 6th November noon

Please only submit a consent form if you have not already done so and would like your child vaccinated. If you are unsure or need any assistance then please contact the School Immunisation Team on 01872 221105

School Photos – All children should have received their school photos with an order form. Please return the completed orders in the envelopes to the school by **Wednesday 4th November** otherwise late postage fees may be charged. Parents can also order online at <https://tempest-orders.co.uk/> Thank you.

Staggered starting times

We are concerned that Owls and Badgers are missing around 10-15 minutes of learning per day due to the timings children are coming into school in the morning. Additionally, there are quite a few children in key stage two who are coming in as early as 8:40am.

The school is proposing that Owls and Badgers come into school from 8:40am -8:50am as the majority of children are coming in at those times anyway. This will enable lessons to start at 8:50am and therefore the children would not miss valuable reading and conferencing time in the morning. Children would be encouraged to arrive earlier rather than later because the 8:40am-8:50am slot will be used for targeted teaching in response to marking.

Squirrels class will then come in from 8:50am -9.00am

The school day would then finish at 3:10 for squirrels and 3:15 for Badgers and Owls. This would mean we still have a staggered finish but it would mean that those of you with children in squirrels and badgers are not waiting around outside of school for as long.

Mr Wheeler would also be interested to know your thoughts on whether we should keep a staggered start post COVID. Local residents seem to approve as it does reduce congestion but we would be keen to know people's thoughts.

Please note this is a consultation. No decisions have been made yet and we will confirm arrangements for after half term in our end of term letter which will go out Friday. Please forward Mr Wheeler your views either by private message on dojo or emailing head@trekenner.net by 12pm Friday so that parent views can be considered before making a decision.

Friends of Trekenner School

Sadly this year we are not able to hold our annual Halloween Disco. However in order to raise much needed funds, we will be having a Halloween themed Mufti Day on the last day of term, Friday 23rd October. On this day only, children can come into school in sensible Halloween costumes for a £1 donation to FOTS.

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 **27th November** so please save any items that you collect during half-term for us. Recycling bags are coming home today or any bin bag or similar will do.

To minimise the contact of handling the bags, we are requesting that bags are only brought into school on the morning of the collection and left just inside the school gate. Thank you.

We would like to thank Bex for her contribution to FOTS over the past few years. Bex took on the role of Treasurer and has been a great supporter of our fund raising. We are sorry to see her leave the school and wish her all the best for the future. Although we are limited with our fund raising at the moment, the position of Treasurer is now vacant. If any parent would like to help us out, please speak to Kelly or Helen. Thank you

Don't forget with Christmas approaching that we have joined **easyfundraising.org.uk**. This is a simple way for us to earn money for very little effort. Please try to remember to use this site for **all** your internet purchases. Please tell your friends and family. Search for Friends of Trekenner School with our postcode **PL15 9PH**.

Head lice We appear to currently have a problem with head lice. May we please remind everyone that constant head checking and treatment where necessary is the only way that children can be kept free of head lice. It would also be appreciated if children with hair long enough to be fastened back, do wear it tied back for school.

We are delighted to be able to sell British Legion Poppies again this year. As well as the traditional poppies, we also have pencils, rubbers and rulers.

Next Newsletter during week commencing: 9th November 2020

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

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.

Recycling for Charity



*Save your
Halloween*

*Sweet wrappers
plastic sweet bags
multipacks and
individual bags
and wrappers*

**Bring your wrappers and other
items for Terracycle on**

Tuesday Nov 10th

The Springer Spaniel car park

from 10 – 10:30am

for a full list and more details

www.south-hill.co.uk/charity-recycling

Thank you for your support.