



NEWSLETTER

13th January 2022

Dear Parents and carers

Happy New year and welcome back to school. I hope everyone has had a wonderful holiday.

As always, the first week and a half back at school has been extremely exciting with lots of brilliant learning happening in every class. I particularly enjoyed Squirrel Class launch day where the children participated in a fantastic learning adventure exploring their topic "A Rumble in Rio." I popped into the class several times throughout the day, and I must say the level of engagement and the smiles on the children's faces was wonderful to see. A big well done to the Squirrel team for providing this wonderful opportunity for our children.

I have also been pleased to see how active our pupil Parliament committees have been this term. Our Curriculum Committee have been reflecting on what they think a good lesson should look like and planning a learning walk with me; the Computing Committee have been working on a campaign to help encourage children take better care of computers in school and are planning an exciting assembly for Online Safety Week and our Community Committee have been coming up with fundraising ideas for their project to improve Jubilee field. Amazingly, they have raised £495 already. This puts them at nearly halfway to their target which is amazing considering they only started coming up with ideas last week.

Whilst we are returning to some resemblance of normality after our COVID scare in December, the Omicron variant is still very prevalent in the area. I have been asked by Public Health Cornwall to remind everyone that the best way to stay safe from this and protect others is to get vaccinated and to follow isolation rules. The rules do seem to be changing but to reinforce- the school's stance is that families follow NHS isolation guidance if they receive a positive test. If children have symptoms, we ask that they do an LFD test before coming into school and if they are in the same household as someone who is positive, we ask for LFD tests to be carried out daily. We do, however, strongly encourage children to be in school if they can and if they do not test positive. The DfE asserted again this week that the best place for children to be is in school- particularly given how much they have missed because of the pandemic. Therefore, we urge everyone to try to ensure their children's attendance remains strong. If pupils are in school every day, I am confident that the recovery curriculum plans we have in place will minimise the impact of this last two years and ensure children continue to thrive and achieve their potential.

Marc Wheeler
Headteacher

DIARY DATESto cut out and keep!

January	
14th	3.30pm - Parent Drop in Tours of Trekenner School
17th	Badgers first swimming
17th	Year 6 Tutoring starts
20th	Census Day - Special lunch menu of Fish Fingers & Chips
21st	3.30pm - SATS information session KS2
February	
18th	Whole School - 'Power of Yet' Challenge Day
18th	Last Day of Half Term
28th	Back to School
March	
8th	World Book Day celebrations

Please note, dates are added to the diary all the time as staff consistently try to adapt provision and plan new learning experiences for children as they become available so please keep an eye on class dojo for any updates.

Parent communications.



Our records show that most parents are signed up to our Class Dojo platform. Please be mindful that this is our main communication platform with parents. We will often send out updates and events on the school stream, so it is useful to have it easily accessible. Many parents have the app on their phone which makes this really easy to access. If you have any questions or want help setting up this app. Please speak to your class teacher.

Starting School in September 2022

Do you have a child who was born between **1st September 2017** and **31st August 2018**? If so, you must apply for a school place for that child by 15th January 2022.

All applications must be made online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

Please pass this message on to any friends or neighbours who do not have an older child at the school.

Year 6 Transition to Secondary School

Launceston College will be making transition visits in March. Meanwhile here is the link to the transition section of their website: <https://www.launceston-college.cornwall.sch.uk/parents/year-6-7-transition/>

Road Safety



Could we respectfully request that parents don't park or even stop momentarily to drop children off, on the yellow keep clear lines outside the school gates. The purpose of providing School Keep Clear markings is to keep the space outside of schools free from vehicles so that children can be seen more easily when crossing the road.

Friends of Trekenner School

Just letting you know that **Trekenner CP School** is registered with easyfundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Over 6,000 shops and sites will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself!

These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so we'd really



appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment.

You can find our easyfundraising page at <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fotstrekenner/>

Thank you so much!

The Christmas Hamper Draw was a big success. Many thanks to all the businesses that donated, those who collected prizes, and those who put together the lovely hampers. As soon as we know the final figure raised we'll share it with everyone.

Our FOTS team is always on the lookout for new members. If you are interested, please speak to Kelly, Lisa, Kirsty or Helen. All parents and carers are very welcome to come along to any meetings and help plan fundraising activities.

School Meals



Census Day - January 20th is Census Day, so to encourage as many children as possible to have school dinner we will be serving fish fingers & chips. The usual Thursday menu will then be served on Friday.

Next week we will be on Menu Week 1 for school dinners, in order to correct the menu cycle Week 1 will also be repeated on the week commencing 24th January.

Having a healthy meal in school helps to aid children's concentration and engagement in the afternoon. Please remember that children in Squirrel class are entitled to a free school dinner.

For children in Key Stage Two the cost is £2.50, but this is great value for money and the tasty meals that our wonderful cook

Caroline provides for us really is worth the money!

School dinners can be booked on the day through your child's class teacher.

It would be helpful if all dinner money, or indeed any money, could be brought into school clearly labelled with the child's name and what it is for.

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

Next Newsletter during week commencing: 27th January 2022

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

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.