



NEWSLETTER

26th November 2020

Dear Parents

Thank you to everyone who has registered an opinion about the issue of collecting children at the end of the day. The information is included again later in the Newsletter. Please reply as soon as possible if you haven't done so already that we can act upon the most popular option.

The Celebration of Learning board in the Entrance Hall has been updated and we are delighted to announce that our pupils for this month Libby, Alan, Rebekah, Ava, Niall, Forrest and Ollie Garland all have wonderful pieces of work on show. Well done and congratulations to you all. Although we are restricting visitors to the school, we would welcome any of our Celebration of Learners parents, into the entrance hall if they wish to see their child's achievements, after school hours.

We are pleased to welcome our new Catering Manager, Caroline Barnes to the school. Mrs Barnes was previously employed at St Stephens School and continues the 'Barnes' family connection to the school, which we delighted about. Mrs Barnes is happy to provide for any dietary needs and can comply with any allergies that children may have.

Marc Wheeler
Headteacher

DIARY DATESto cut out and keep!

November	
27 th	Bag to School collection
December	
16 th	Christmas Dinner
18 th	Last Day of School

SCHOOL MEALS: Our Christmas Lunch will be held on **Wednesday 16th December**.

This year, we are assuming that the majority of children will have Christmas dinner and so there is no need to pre-order. Allergies and dietary requirements will be met if required.

The usual price of £2.50 will apply.

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

Christmas Lunch

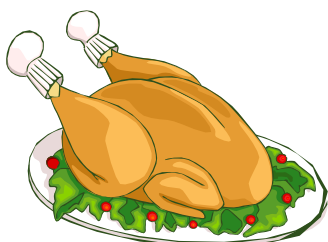
Fresh Roast Turkey with Cocktail Sausages or Quorn Roast

Sage & Onion Stuffing

Roast Potatoes

Carrots, Peas & Sprouts

Shortbread Biscuit & fruit





Children in Need Thank you to everyone who contributed to our recent collection for Children in Need by dressing up. We received over £50 for the charity. It is not too late to make a donation through the school which we can forward to the charity.

We have also received notification that the recent Poppy Appeal raised over £40 from donations made at the school. Thank you to everyone who supported both of these deserving causes.

Proposals for Afternoon Collection

Currently, at the end of school, there are many children trying rejoining their parents across the road, which is not helped by cars coming down the road and poor weather which makes collection from the gate even more difficult. The school is therefore contemplating changing pick up arrangements at the end of the day so that children are collected directly from the outer door of their classroom. Teachers and children would stay in the classroom and the children would be dismissed directly to parents as they come to the door. Parents to wear face coverings and it would be important for the squares on the playground to be used to maintain social distancing but this would avoid the issue of children trying to cross the road when cars are trying to pull away. It would also give parents a larger space in which to wait to support social distancing. It would also prevent children getting wet and cold when waiting for parents if there are any delays.

The options are:

Option one: stay the same.

Option two: go back to a 3pm finish for Squirrels and a 3:15pm finish for Badgers/ Owls to give a bit more of a window to prevent congestion but keep dismissing from the gate.

Option three: dismiss from the classroom door as described above.

Please advise Mr Wheeler of your opinion before Friday 27th November. Thank you.

Christmas at Trekenner

We have started to think about our Christmas preparations. We appreciate that this year will be different in our approach but we are keen to celebrate as best we can. We intend to hold a Squirrels Nativity plus a Badgers & Owls puppet show and carol concert. Both of these will be made available to parents online. More details will follow shortly. We are also happy for children to write Christmas Cards. To ensure that we are observing safety measures, cards will be kept in the Post Box all week and over the weekend. They will then be distributed on Mondays before new cards are added.

We are also grateful to FOTS who will be distributing presents to the children, again observing quarantine rules. Sadly this year the school will not be able to receive our usual visit from Father Christmas.

Friends of Trekenner School

Even though we are in strange times, we would like to maintain our tradition of having a hamper raffle, which we hope to complete online. Please could you start to think about donations and give them to Kelly or Helen. Thank you.

We were delighted to receive a Jo Downes glass bowl before lockdown, which we started to raffle. Unfortunately, due to the circumstances, we could not complete the draw. However, there are still numbers available should anyone like the chance to win it. Helen Coombe will be able to show parents a picture of the glasswork and sell raffle tickets for £1. This is a beautiful item which would be well worth winning.

We are delighted with the number of people who have signed up for our school lottery. This is helping to raise essential funds for our Revitalize Trekenner School project which will help us to transform our learning environment investing in new furniture, giving the interior of the school a much needed face lift and purchasing new resources to enrich our children's learning. We have currently sold 65 tickets. There is a guaranteed prize of £18 per week for one lucky member of our community, a chance to win a jackpot of £25,000, plus a range of other prizes such as a Nintendo Switch Mega Bundle. It is not too late to sign up for this lottery.

Just visit <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/trekenner-primary-school> and follow the instructions. The more players we get, the larger our prizes will become!

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.

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**.

Next Newsletter during week commencing: 10th December 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

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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