

Weekly Newsletter

email:secretary@mylor-bridge.cornwall.sch.uk Monday 8th January 2024

Happy New Year!

Welcome back to school; I hope that you and your families had a wonderful Christmas and were able to spend time with the people whom you love.

The spring term is always a busy learning term, and this one is no exception! The teachers and staff have been working hard to plan and prepare exciting learning opportunities across the school.

We are particularly keen to share with you our <u>Reading Curriculum</u> which is full of high-quality, aspirational texts. We have phonics lessons every day in Classes 1 and 2, to ensure that the basic reading skills are established and fluent. As we move into Years 3-6, these skills are honed and developed using whole class texts during Whole Class Reading lessons. The children are thoroughly enjoying the adapted 'lesson design' and it is a delight to hear the children talking excitedly about the whole class texts. Classes 1 and 2 also share whole texts every day (Class 1 are in the form of picture books) and share the pleasure that only a story book can bring.



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Lunch bookings

Don't forget to leave plenty of time to book lunches – we'd suggest you book well in advance up to each half term if possible. Please note there has been a small price increase to £2.53 per meal. We will also me changing the choices on Thursday 18th January to fish and chips. On Friday 19th we will be serving chicken and vegetable korma. Please be aware the menu on ParentPay may not reflect this.

Coats and Hats

Please make sure that your child/ren bring a coat (and hat in cold weather) to school every day – the weather is inclement, but we will endeavour to get them outside at breaktimes, even for just a few minutes.

Spare underwear and socks

We are in need of spare clean underwear and socks incase of accidents and excitement around puddles in the playground. If you have any spares at home, please consider donating them to the school. Thank you.

As my secondment continues this half term, I am available on a Thursday and Friday for any parents who would like a catch-up, alternatively, Mr Martin, Mr Collinge and Mr Shainberg are available all week as the school's senior leadership team.

Have a wonderful week,

Vicky Sanderson

Dates for your diaries

18.1.24 – Online Safety presentation – Breck Foundation (Year 6/5/4/3)

2.2.24 – Years 1 and 2 (please note – NOT reception) Seal Sanctuary, Gweek

31.1.24 - Athletics@ Penryn College Y 3 and 4 (am) Year 5 and 6 (pm)

9.2.24 – Year 4 Bun Bake

8.3.24 – Mothers' Day Cream Tea 1:30pm / 2:30pm (details to follow)

18.3.24-22.3.24 - Parents Evening (details to follow)

28.3.24 – Year 3 Bun Bake

28.3.24 – Easter Concert

29.3.24 - 12.4.24 - EASTER HOLIDAYS

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Standing Items

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Please Park considerately

We know that getting children to school on time can sometimes be stressful, but we have been approached by a number of local residents who are concerned by the parking before and after school.

Please can I request that parents park with due care and consideration for our neighbours. Also, can I remind you that the zigzag area at the front of school is <u>not</u> to be parked on under any circumstances.

Holidays in Term Time

Our policy in school is to NOT agree holidays in term time unless there are very exceptional circumstances. It is also our policy to refer the non-attendance to Cornwall Council.

If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £60 if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may result in legal action. Absence not authorised by the school may result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court

More information can be found at <u>https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schools-and-education/education-welfare-service/#holidays</u>

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