



Weekly Benson Bulletin

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Ofsted Attendance Grades		
96.5% + High	96.1% - 96.4% Above national average	95.5% - 95.9% In line with national average
94.0% or below Low	90% or below Cause for concern	85% or below Persistent Absence

PUPIL WELFARE GROUP	
We pride ourselves on being approachable and are happy to discuss any concern with parents, no matter how big or small.	
Mrs Giblett (Headteacher)	Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mr Galler Assistant Headteacher)	Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mrs J Williams and Mrs B Morris	Special Educational Needs Coordinators
Mrs J Truen	Family Support Coordinator
PHASE GROUP LEADERS	
Mr Crocker	Y1-2 Phase Group leader
Mrs Kyte	Y3-4 Phase Group leader
Mr Kitto	Y5-6 Phase Group leader

Available pupil places at Archbishop Benson School Updated 19.1.2018						
Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
0	0	0	0	0	6	0

Attendance News:

Our whole-school attendance rate for this week was 94%

Congratulations to Class 5MS this week who topped the attendance table with 100% attendance. Well done!

Message from Mrs Giblett

World Book Day

This year we are going to be celebrating World Book Day on March 1st with panache. All children are invited to bring their favourite book to school and dress up as one of the characters in it. Remember you can always borrow books from the library instead of bringing a book from home. There will be prizes and certificates awarded to the 'most imaginative' costumes in each class and also an overall winner for foundation stage, KS1 and KS2.

In school there will be lots of fun book themed activities going on and also a book swap! If you have any old books you don't read anymore, and you would like to swap them for something different, bring them in to school with you. When you bring in a book you will be given a ticket and on World Book Day you will be able to use your ticket to choose a book from all the books that have been brought in to school! For every book you donate you will be issued a ticket so the more books you bring the more you will be able to take home. The more books donated the more successful our book swap will be so please have a good hunt and see what you can find lying around.

Keep an eye out for more exciting news and plans for World Book Day.

Festival of Lights

On Wednesday morning, when we saw the wind and rain, we were a little fearful that the Festival of Lights parade might be cancelled again. We were delighted that it went ahead as we were able to unveil the wonderful, illuminated alligator structure that the children had worked so hard on. The occasional flurry of hail did not dampen the children's enthusiasm and they were wonderful carrying the alligator (complete with red glowing eyes) around the town. A great time was had by all and I would like to say a huge thank you to pupils, parents and staff for their great support both on the night and during the construction process.

Our alligator will now take up residence in the school hall for all to see. There are also photos on our Twitter feed for you to enjoy.

Let's Get Creative!

I am delighted that we have already had some entries by pupils for the competition to design a front cover for the

brochure for the annual Truro and Roseland Learning Community (TRL) Awards event which is due to take place in June 2018 at Truro Cathedral.

For those wishing to enter the competition, the theme for the art work is 'Truro'. The art work needs to be produced in colour as an A4 size and presented in portrait view. Your name and age need to appear on the rear of the A4 art work.

Entries need to be submitted to school by Friday 23 February 2018 at the latest.

Class Assemblies

Please see below updated changes to some of the Class Assemblies.

Dates for class assemblies	
Times to be confirmed	
Class RR and RP graduation service	Friday, July 13th
Class 1L	Friday May 11th
Class 1W	Friday, March 2nd
Class 2KP	Friday, March 23rd
Class 2C	Friday, May 25th
Class 3K	Friday, April 27th
Class 3W	Friday, July 6th
Class 4SG	Friday February 23rd
Class 5MS	Friday, June 29th
Class 5K	Friday, May 4th
Class 6T	Friday, June 22nd

Kitchen News

Look out for the exciting new menu which will start after half term.

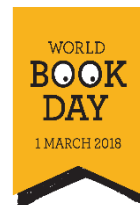
School data

Please ensure your contact details are all up to date. Please make the office aware of any changes.

School Car Park

Mr. Sims has asked to remind all parents to reverse into car parking spaces in the KS1 car park. This will ensure the safety of the children walking through the car park.

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Year 3 Swimming



We are very sorry to tell you that due to the expected completion date of work on the pool at Truro Leisure Centre being moved back to the 12th March, we won't be able to start swimming until the summer term. We were assured that the pool would be re-opening after half term but found out this week that this is not the case. We share your frustrations and will send details home nearer the time. We look forward to the children having a full term of swimming next term.

High Five Netball League

On Monday 29th January the netball A team went to Penair School to play another league match, this time against Bosvigo School. Our players were strong from the start with Silvenna scoring within the first 90 seconds of play. Silvenna then went on to score another 3 goals before the first rotation of players. Throughout the rotations of the game every member of the team scored, Ella, Ellie and Olivia all scored 3 goals, Ellie-Maeve 2 goals and Jake, Gracie and Bradley 1 goal each. Bosvigo's defenders tried hard to get possession of the ball but our goals kept on coming until we finally won the match 18-0! Our 19th goal was unfortunately disallowed as Jake scored it as the final whistle blew. The whole team did an amazingly – well done everyone!! Having won all our games so far, we are now in a strong position on the league table heading into our last three matches next week.

Mrs Olds and Mrs Hirst

Netball Club

Please note: Netball club is cancelled next week, Wednesday 7th February, due to a league match taking place.

FABB

We hope that those of you who are going to the Quiz have a great time this evening and a huge thank you to David Rogers and Pete Tatlow from Santander for organising this event.

Next week is the **FABB Disco** (Wednesday 7 February). The children should have brought home flyers/permission slips this week. Please complete these and bring them with you on the night together with the £2 per child entrance fee.

Timing:

KS1 5.30pm-6.15pm

KS2 6.30pm-7.30pm

Queuing:

Reception and Key Stage 1 (Year R, 1 and 2) children will be dropped off through the doors opposite the sheltered area by year 2.

KS2 children (junior classes 3-6) will enter the disco through the hall doors by the sensory garden. Please queue behind the gate on the walkway.

All children picked up through the doors opposite the sheltered area by year 2.

Entry fee: £2 per child which includes 2 items from a choice of crisps/sweets/choc bar. The children will not need to bring any more money apart from their entry fee. Free squash/water will also be provided.

Then in March we have the **Mothers' Day coffee morning** on Friday 9 March 2018.

This is held in the school hall. You are invited to come along to spend some time with your children (if a Mum is unable to attend then another special grown up is very welcome). Invitations will be sent home soon. The children come into the hall in house groups. This year's rotation is:

9.00am-9.30am Grindal

9.35am-10.05am Islip

10.10am -10.40am Tenison

10.45am – 11.15am Beckett

Please check with your class teacher if you are unsure which house your children are in

The following items will be available for purchase during the morning:

- Tea/Coffee 50p
- (free squash/water)
- Cakes 50p
- Daffodils/Bracelets £1
- Raffle tickets £1

We would be very grateful for donations of homemade cakes, buns and biscuits to be brought in on the Friday morning. If anyone is able to help during the morning then please email friendsofarchbishopenson@gmail.com

Youth Speaks

A huge well done to our fearless Year 5s who entered the Youth Speaks this year! They showed immense control, bravery, perseverance among an extremely high standard of Youth Speaks. They conducted themselves so well that I couldn't be more proud to have them representing Archbishop Benson.



We didn't win this time, but as the youngest team there(!), I am confident they have great things ahead of them! Congratulations!

Miss F MacDonald

Gymnastics Peninsula Finals

Yesterday, we took two teams to the Peninsula gymnastics finals at Penryn Gymnastics Centre. The competition was tough, but all the gymnasts performed extremely well and were fantastic representatives for our school.



Although we did not place as teams, Keby B placed 5th for our school team and Maisy P placed 4th for our club team. The gymnasts thoroughly enjoyed the competition and even got to learn and practise new skills with some of the coaches that were there! We can't wait to compete again next year!

Mrs R Lyndon

Blues Club.

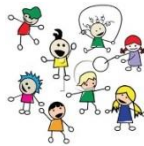
We are open every day for Breakfast and After School. We run from the St Paul's Children Centre which is on the school site.

Our team of qualified staff will ensure that your child is cared for in a safe and stimulating environment. Healthy breakfast and snacks are provided every session. If you would like to find out more about what we do please pop in and meet Esther and the team any day.

Our staff are fully qualified and DBS checked. Blues Club is rated Outstanding by Ofsted.

You can also phone us on 01637 877073 to find out more information, or email us at info@firststepscornwall.co.uk

Stay and Play



Truro Nursery School, in partnership with Archbishop Benson School, offer a Stay and Play session on Thursdays in St Paul's Children's Centre from 9.00am – 10.30am. Play and early learning sessions for families following the early years foundation stage curriculum for ages 0 – 5 years. Cost is £2.00 per family (up to 2 children). First session is free to new families.

THE NEXT STEP
Feelgood
Theatre Company

Join us this Half Term for our fantastic Next Step Workshop when we recreate the story and dances of the students in The Next Step

Wed 14th to Fri 16th February
The Burrell Theatre, Truro School
Ages 5 - 12, 10am to 3pm
3 day workshop £89

To apply for a place for your child please call or text Claire on 07773 337 357 or visit feelgoodtheatrecompany.com

Building Confidence For Life

Drama Workshops for Girls 5-11

Fun and engaging drama workshops with an experienced tutor; it's a great way to build confidence, be creative and to make new friends. Join us now to take part in our summer show. Why not come along for a free taster session. At Pottery Preschool on Chapel Hill. Saturdays 10-11 (term-time only). £3/session.

Contact Shibon 07873 669798 or find us on facebook Inspiring Women Network.

**February Half Term
Holiday Club at
Bosvigo**

We are pleased to announce that we are opening as usual during February Half Term from Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February. We are open from 7.45am until 6pm for just £23.50 a day.

Please remember that children will need a packed lunch, waterproof coat and wellies may be advisable. For further information please contact Mrs Austin on: wraparound@bosvigo.cornwall.sch.uk or visit the Bosvigo School Website. For families who have booked before, you can log in and book on the school gateway.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Smoothie making	Hidden rocks painting and local walk	Baking Pizza and cookies	Clay modelling	Bowling Extra £3.50 required
Painting/ arts and crafts	DVD and Ice-cream factory		Big Build junk modelling/ dens	Baking

Truro Baptist Church
...releasing God-given potential

Invites you to a
FUN FAMILY EVENT...

Launchpad

4.00pm - 5.30pm

Count Down 5-4-3-2-1 blast off!

Sunday, 28th January
Sunday, 25th March
Sunday, 29th April
Sunday, 10th June

ALL WELCOME

Craft Activities for all
Bible Stories
Reflective Activity
Games
FREE
Music
Picnic Tea Provided

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Merlin MS Centre Pamper Day

February 10th, 2018 at the Merlin MS Centre, Hewas Water between St Austell and Truro. Therapies include Reiki, Massage, Indian Head Massage, Reflexology, Jin Shin Jyutsu, Gentle Muscle Release and more.

Tasters include Facials, Hand Massage, Crystal Therapy, Itovi Scan, Essential Oils and Neal's Yard.

£35 per ticket to include a therapy, lunch and Prosecco or non alcoholic alternative.

Booking is essential and tickets sell fast so be sure to get yours by contacting Tamsin on 01726 885530 or email tamsin@merlinmscentre.org.uk.
<https://www.facebook.com/events/324313248069044/>

**LOVE IS IN...
DANCE & MULTI-SKILLS
HALF TERM WEEK!**
MON 12TH-FRI 16TH FEBRUARY

Activities include:
 Dance, Dance battles and games
 Team games
 Football, Dodgeball, Hockey
 Athletics
 Water slide
 Prizes
 Fitness games
 Treasure chocolate hunt

WEAR RED!

Truro Learning Academy
 Albany road, Truro, TR13PQ
 9:00am-3:30pm

£15 per day.
 £20 for two days.
 £50 for the week.

07788237399
 bubbly-lb@hotmail.com
 www.facebook.com/TheLaura-BethSchoolofDance.com

BOOK NOW!

**Cornwall Music Education Hub - Musical Theatre
 Holiday Workshop For Students Aged 8+ At Penryn
 College**

Cornwall Music Education Hub

A 2 day Musical Theatre workshop
 for young people aged 8 plus
 11th & 12th February 2018, 10.00 - 15.00
 Penryn College

Book online - <http://myadventure.co.uk/events/categories/creative>
 £30 per child for both days

Explore the world through Drama, Dance and Singing
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Dates for Your Diary 2018

February

Wed 7th FABB disco
Wed 7th School Eucharist
Fri 23rd 4SG assembly
Mon 26th Parents Evening
Tues 27th Parents Evening (late night)

Wed 28th Parents Evening

March

Thu 1st World Book Day
Fri 2nd Class 1W assembly to parents
Fri 9th Mother's Day coffee morning
Fri 23rd Class 2KP assembly to parents

April

Fri 27th Class 3K assembly to parents

May

Fri 4th Class 5K assembly to parents
Fri 11th Class 1L assembly to parents
Fri 25th Class 2C assembly to parents

June

Fri 8th Non-Uniform day
Fri 22nd Class 6T assembly to parents
Sat 16th Summer Fair
Fri 29th Class 5MS assembly to parents

July

Fri 6th Class 3W assembly to parents
Fri 13th Class RP and RR Graduation to parents

Term Dates for 2018

February

Fri 9th Break up for half term
Mon 19th Children return to school

March

Thu 29th Break up for Easter

April

Mon 16th Children return to school

May

Mon 7th Spring Bank Holiday – school closed

June

Mon 4th Children return to school

July

Tue 24th Break up for end of term

