



Egloskerry School

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* **Egloskerry School Website:** *
* www.egloskerry.cornwall.sch.uk: You can also *
* view the newsletter on our website; please check *
* every week for more information and updates. *
* This week: details of: Bonfire Night safety, the *
* Giving Machine, swimming contributions, an *
* Egloskerry Nursery vacancy ad, the Aspens' *
* school menu app, the Health Box & the *
* Disclaimer. *



As we draw to the end of a very busy half term, it is worth reflecting on the achievements the children have made during this time. In September we were joined by new children and new staff; they are all firmly embedded in the Egloskerry School community now and it is sometimes difficult to recognise the nervous faces from the first day.

I very much enjoyed my trip to Camp Kernow in September, with Years 5 and 6 children, and am still trembling at the thought of the climbing wall! More recently we have been enjoying a range of musical workshops, which continue into next term with some performances to share with parents and carers. Last week's Harvest Festival was a lovely celebration of the work children have been doing, and I am sure you are all looking forward to the Lion King performances; more details to follow after half term!

Thank you for the prompt return of Christmas Card orders, I know it is early to be thinking about the festive season, but that will bring a welcome boost to our play ground project. Please watch out for voting procedures on a new fundraising award through Aviva; this goes live after half term. We have also received a generous donation from Egloskerry Church for the playground project and we pass on our thanks to the wider Church community.

We look forward to welcoming children back on Tuesday 31 October, and hope you all have a lovely half term.



This week Egloskerry have taken part in 'Black History Month' by spending the week learning about and researching inspirational black men and women. The children have enjoyed learning about Rosa Parks and Nelson Mandela and the importance of bravery when facing discrimination. Across the classes children have written biographies, information texts and fact files on inspirational individuals of their choice. We then had a special assembly sharing what we had learnt with the whole school.



Bags2School collection! Friday 1st December: We have now arranged a date for a Bags2School collection of your *good quality*: Clothing / paired shoes / handbags / hats / scarves & ties / jewellery / lingerie / belts / soft toys (no: bedding, pillows, curtains, towels, soiled, ripped or wet clothing, school uniforms, corporate workwear, textile off-cuts).

As soon as we receive the bags from the company, we will send them home for your items, so please have a sort-out for us! The school will receive payment, which will benefit our School Fund (used for children's Christmas presents, treats on school visits, House Point prizes, treats for our celebration days, etc).
Thank you very much.



Please see the posters up in school for a safe Bonfire Night. The reminders include:

- ◆ Only adults should handle and light fireworks. Never give sparklers to a child under five
- ◆ If you are given a sparkler, always wear gloves
- ◆ Always hold sparklers at arm's length and only hold one at a time
- ◆ When a sparkler goes out, don't touch it. It could still burn you, so put it in a bucket of water, hot end down
- ◆ Fireworks will scare your pets, so keep them safely indoors
- ◆ When you are watching fireworks, always stand well back
- ◆ Never go near a firework when it has been lit. Even if it hasn't gone off, it could still explode

You have to be 18 years old before you are allowed to buy fireworks in the shops. Never play with fireworks—they are dangerous and can hurt you.

Swimming—for children in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6: Thank you to everyone who has paid for their children's swimming sessions. We are requesting a voluntary contribution of £2 per child per week for transport to the leisure centre, and would be very grateful if you could send this into school now please.

If you are able to pay £20 in one go, that would be very helpful, or you can pay £2 per week. At the moment, because of our academy conversion, we can only accept cash or cheques—thank you.

Career opportunities with the Pre-school Learning Alliance (Registered as an educational charity)

The Pre-school Learning Alliance is a leading early years Charity, also the largest voluntary sector provider of childcare services. We have an exciting opportunity in our **Egloskerry Nursery**. Egloskerry Nursery is based in Cornwall. The nursery is part of a group of full day-care nurseries that provide childcare and support for young children and their families.

Benefits: If you join the Pre-school Learning Alliance, you will receive 28 days' annual leave inclusive of bank holidays (pro rata), access to a company pension and regular training and development opportunities.

POST: Deputy Setting Manager - Maternity Cover
Starting January 2018, 24 hours per week - term time only, SALARY £8779.92 per annum
Ref: EDM/MC

We are looking for an experienced and qualified practitioner to provide inclusive play and learning opportunities for all children attending the nursery. You will be responsible for assisting the Nursery Manager with curriculum planning, staffing levels and behaviour management and will run the nursery in their absence.

The successful applicant will need a minimum Level 3 Early Years Education and Childcare qualification or equivalent, with proven post-qualification experience in running or helping to run a similar service. Also have experience and knowledge of SEN and Safeguarding.

CLOSING DATE: 5th November 2017 , INTERVIEW DATE: 17th November 2017

For further details and an application pack please email cornwall@pre-school.org.uk or Tel: 01208 269512. CVs will not be considered.

The Charity is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and equal opportunities in employment.

All successful applicants will be required to undertake an enhanced DBS check. All disabled applicants who meet the essential criteria for the above post(s) will be offered an interview.

The Giving Machine: please help us to fundraise by joining The Giving Machine (free to join). It takes just two minutes to register, and parents and staff who shop online at the huge selection of shopping sites earn commission for the school. The company only supports charities and schools, and are members of the Institute of Fundraising and the Fundraising Standards Board. Please log onto: thegivingmachine.co.uk, click on "Join our Giving Community" and follow the instructions. Please remember our school each time you shop online—thank you.

Please see the information on our website about Aspens Services' new app, which will enable you to see the lunch menu with just a couple of presses on your smartphone. Egloskerry's unique **PIN number is: 18305882**, and the link is: aspens-services.co.uk/schools/egloskerry-cp-school/ You can search for the app at the App Store or Google Play, install, add the unique PIN number, and you will be able to view the menu, get in touch with Aspens, provide feedback and find out more about their services. The app shows **the current menu**.

- **Health Box:** We have children attending the school who are prone to picking up infections more easily, so we thought it may be a good idea to include a health box in our weekly newsletter.
- We would ask if parents could please inform the school of any infections, viruses or diarrhoea and vomiting that your child may have, as you usually do. Could you please also inform us of any of the above which your children may have been in contact with recently without showing any symptoms, so that we are all aware. Please remember that all children should be at home for 48 hours following sickness or diarrhoea. Thank you.
- **A note regarding Hearing and Vision Tests:** It is very important to ensure your child does not have any problems with their hearing or vision. Screening is carried out in school, by the NHS, for Reception age children, but do please get in touch with your doctor or the School Nurse if you would like tests done at any other time. To contact the Nurse, phone 01288 320152. For vision tests, please contact your local optician, as tests are carried out free of charge for children. If you would like a referral to the School Nurse, please ask at the school office.
- **Headlice:** if necessary, please see the information on our website about the treatment of headlice.
- **Medicines/Cough Sweets etc:** please could *all* medicines, cough sweets, antiseptic creams etc be brought to the office, labelled with the child's name. We can administer medicines during the school day; we just need your instructions (a form is available to complete). Any medication kept in a bookbag or rucsac during the day could be picked up by another child, who might be allergic to it. Your child is also welcome to come to the office at break times to take a cough sweet etc. Thank you.

"Signposting" information to parents—Disclaimer: 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 One Cornwall will accept any liability arising out of those events.