



CUSGARNE SCHOOL THIS WEEK

Date: 10 January 2019



Diary Dates

15 January
Swimming lessons for
years 4 and 5

17 January
Special menu day

18 Feb
Half term

25 Feb
School returns

7 March
World Book Day

5 April
Last day of term

6 April—22 April
Easter Holidays

23 April
Summer Term starts

6 May
Bank Holiday

w/c 13 May
SATs and assessment

27 May
Half term

3 June
School returns

24 July
Last day of the school
year.

Dear Parents

Happy New Year! I hope that you had a wonderful festive break and enjoyed family time. The children came back to school with a spring in their step and have quickly settled into the new routines of their classes. The teachers are excited as they start new learning journeys with their class and don't forget to have a look at the topic webs that were sent home in December. They are also on the school website in case you have mis-laid yours!

Our assembly theme this week was new beginnings. Sometimes it is too difficult to make a resolution and keep to it but we can each take small steps towards a bigger goal. Why not have a chat with your child about what their new beginning is and see if you can encourage or help them?

I expect you have seen the pothole in the road by the layby which is made bigger by the water cascade. The Parish Council have been on the case and are liaising with Highways to find a workable solution to the problem. In the meantime, please watch your tyres if you drive over the pothole. If the weather turns cold and icy is likely, please approach this area with caution. It may be better to park up the road and walk the remaining distance to school.

Have a super weekend.
Tim Barnard

Reminder - applications for September intake

The closing date for applications for a primary school place for September 2019 is **Tuesday 15 January 2019**.

Reminder - leave requests

Please do not ask for authorised absence throughout May. National testing (SATs) and teacher assessments take place in May.

Free School Meals

If you think you may be entitled to 'free school meals' please log on to the Cornwall Council website www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/school-meals/ and complete a quick and easy form. Staff there will be able to check whether you can claim (and you may also be eligible for other benefits including free school trips, clubs etc.).

*** Head Lice Alert ***

The start of the year and we already have reports of headlice. **PLEASE** check your child and treat as necessary. Remember to wash pillowcases AND hats to stop new occurrences.

Swimming

A reminder please that year 4 and year 5 pupils will start swimming lessons next Tuesday so please remember your costume, towel and goggles if you use them. Swim caps are recommended and long hair will need to be tied back and NO jewellery is allowed.

The lessons take place during the afternoon and the children should be back in time for the end of the school day.

The voluntary charge for these lessons is £5 weekly to help cover the cost of the transport and hire of the pool.

Music Lessons

Most music lessons are planned to start next week, but PLEASE have a look at the timetable overleaf. Some music lessons have moved days and we have a new guitar teacher starting this term.

We are sorry to say that Mr Collington's schedule could no longer fit in with Cusgarne which is a real pity. Mr Collington has been a long standing music teacher at Cusgarne and we have lost count of how many children he has taught!

You will also notice that we are still waiting to find out if drum lessons will continue and will let you know as soon as we find out. Parents who have already paid the Cornwall Music Service Trust for these lessons will need to make a note of the dates their children miss lessons and contact the Music Service for a refund.

School Census Day Thursday 17th January

Next Thursday, 17th January 2019, is a National School Census Day. This is when the Department for Education (DfE) collects information about each school to help them plan for the future and, importantly, the data is used to set future school budgets. One of the figures we have to report is the number of Reception and Years 1 & 2 children who are having a Universal Infant Free School Meal (UIFSM) on this day.

The census data is then used to decide how much funding for the year we get for our hot meals. This means that if your child does not have a meal on Thursday, we will not receive any further funding for the rest of the year. If your child chooses to have a meal on another day, we will have to fund this from our school budget

We do not receive funding for the amount of hot meals we supply, only the number of meals eaten on the two census days in October and January each year.

Our solution to this problem is to ask every child in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to try the hot meal on Census Day. Then your child will be fully funded to have hot meals during the year thus saving the school any additional costs.

The menu for Thursday is shown on the next page for you to have a look.

Thank you for your support.

Pupils Choice

Census Day

Thursday 17th January

Burger and Chips

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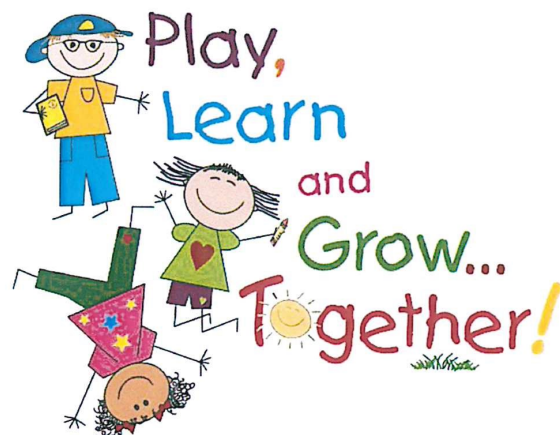
Macaroni cheese

with

Baked Beans and Garden Peas

and

Ice Cream



DIARY OF ACTIVITIES w/c 14 January 2019 Breakfast Club runs daily on school days			
	ACTIVITY	TEACHER	ADDITIONAL INFO
MONDAY	Keyboards	Mr Clapp	Payment per term
TUESDAY	Wake and Shake	Mrs Ireson/Y6's	8.30am—8.45am
	Library Club	Year 6 librarians	12.30—12.50pm
	Create Club R, Y1 and Y2	Mrs Turner and Miss Palmer	3pm—4pm
£1 per week applies	Cookery Club Y6	Mrs Ireson	3pm-4pm
WEDNESDAY	Woodwind	Miss Sampson	Payment per term
	KS1 Sports Club (R, Y1. Y2)	Plymouth Argyle	3pm-4pm
THURSDAY	Wake and Shake	Mrs Ireson/Y5's	8.30am—8.45am
	Violins	Miss Neale	Payment per term
	KS2 Sports Club (Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6)	Mrs Murray Mrs Ireson	3pm—4pm
FRIDAY	Recorders	Ms Hawken	
	Guitars	Miss Kelly	Payment per term

Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club runs daily on school days from 8am.

Please book your child's place in advance.

Current prices as follows:

With breakfast: £2 per child per day

Without breakfast: £1 per child per day

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