

Home Learning and Staying Connected

Thank you to everyone who participated in our online survey about home learning. It's great to get feedback from you which we can use to ensure that we provide the best possible offer to you whilst your children are learning at home. We have received some lovely comments and really appreciate your ongoing support.

The most popular way of connecting with parents is through Facebook and Twitter. If you have not already, please like our [Facebook page](#) and follow us on [Twitter](#).

TTRS Wall of Fame

Rock Hero Status		Most Active Classes
Henry S Charlotte S Oscar W Kenny C Layton P Alfie B Neo J Riley M Marley R Kai C	Jacob L Abi B Johan P Haydn D Alfie H Finley O Lily L	1 st – Rowan 2 nd – Hawthorn 3 rd – Hazel 

TTRS Tournament

The Aspire tournament is continuing over the weekend until 7pm on Sunday so plenty of time to earn us some last minute points. Thank you to all of the children at home and in school who have been working hard to earn much sought after points! Every player really does count no matter which times table or level you are on so please get involved before it ends.

Getting children reading during lockdown



There are lots of ways that children can access free books whilst at home. You will recently have received an electronic library card number which will give you access to free ebooks and audiobooks for Cornwall Library Service. More information about this has been added to your child's Google Classroom. Here are some other free resources for reading:

[Oxford Owl ebooks](#) – A range of free ebooks pitched at your child's age or reading level.

[Oak Academy and National Literacy Trust](#) – A free book a week and videos from favourite children's authors.

[The Week Junior](#) – A current affairs magazine for 8–14 year olds. Get first 6 issues free.

[Storytime Online](#) – Free to access online stories organised by age group and read by their authors and illustrators.

Food Supplies and Family Support

We are being generously supplied with a range of food supplies to support families during this difficult time. Please continue to pop in and grab some bits as you need them between 10am-2pm or during school pick up or drop off if your child is currently attending school.

Our school Parent Support Advisor (PSA) is Mrs Gill. Please get in touch with her via the school office or email hello@biscovey.org.uk if you need any support or advice. We may not be able to help directly ourselves, but we have access and information to a wide range of support services available to you and your family.

Online Safeguarding through Lockdown

As the majority of our children are now at home accessing their learning online, can we please take this opportunity to remind you of a few key pointers aimed at keeping your child safe.

- Do not give out username/password details to anyone. If you are having issues logging in to any of our systems, please contact the school to help you resolve this.
- Online Supervision. With many of you having the difficult task of working from home and supervising your child's learning at the same time, it is inevitable that there are periods of time where children may be working unsupervised. For this reason, it is important to have parental controls set up to ensure that any online activity is age appropriate.
- Parental Communication. All communication to parents will come through the usual channels of email, text or telephone call.
- More information about keeping your child safe online can be found on our school website [Internet Safety - The Aspire Academy Trust](#)

Children's Mental Health Week

Next week is Children's Mental Health week and the theme is 'Express Yourself'. Expressing yourself is about finding ways to share feelings, thoughts, or ideas, through creativity. It is about finding a way to show who you are, and how you see the world, that can help you feel good about yourself. In recognition of this we are asking parents to send in a photo or video of their child which shows how they express themselves. It could be a hobby, skill, achievement, favourite thing to wear etc. We will then put all of these together to create a lovely slide show which we will share on our Facebook and Twitter to celebrate our wonderful and individual young people. If you prefer not to send in a picture that is absolutely fine. Please be aware that we will only be able to use photos sent if we have the correct permissions completed. There is a live virtual assembly that children in school will be watching at 9am on Monday. You can watch it at home at the same time. [Children's Mental Health Week assembly – with BAFTA Kids and Oak National Academy - Children's Mental Health Week 2021](#)



INSET and Half Term

Aspire academies will be **closed** to ALL pupils, including critical workers/vulnerable pupils, on **Friday 12th February** for a planned Trust INSET staff training day. INSET days are established diary dates in any given academic year and the Trust has retained this date to ensure professional development and teaching & learning best practice continues across all our academies. Academies will then remain closed to ALL pupils from w/c 15th February for half term and will reopen to critical worker/vulnerable pupils on Monday 22nd February. Eligible Free School Meals families will receive a Wonde voucher to cover the half term period.

Enjoy the weekend everyone.

Dates for your diary...	
01.02.21 – 07.02.21	Children's Mental Health Week
12.02.21	INSET Day – School closed to all pupils
15.02.21 – 19.02.21	Half Term – School closed to all pupils
02.04.21 – 16.04.21	Easter holiday (Good Friday)
03.04.21	May Day Bank Holiday
31.05.21 - 04.06.21	Half Term
23.07.21	Last day of summer term

